

The Marsh Academy Admission Arrangements 2010

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| Principal: | Tracy Luke |
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| Type of school: | Academy, Wide Ability, Mixed |
| Age Range: | 11-18 |
| Published Admission No: 180 | LA No: 886 DfES No: 6909 |
| Number of applications for year 7 entry September 2009: 245 | |
| Number of places to be allocated 3 March 2009: 180 | |

Open Sessions: Open Evening - TBC

Information for Parents: We are oversubscribed for September 2009

Oversubscription Criteria

In the event that the Academy receives more than 180 applications (the number of places available) after the admission of pupils with statements of Special Educational Needs where the Marsh Academy is named on the statement, places will be offered using the criteria below which are in priority order:

1. Children in the care of a local authority (see Note 1 below).
2. Children with health and special access reasons to attend the Academy (see Note 2 below).
3. Pupils living within the Marsh Academy first priority zone, including the parishes of Burmarsh, Dymchurch, St Mary-in-the-Marsh, New Romney, Old Romney, Lydd, Ivychurch, Brookland, Brenzett, Snargate and Newchurch. If there are more pupils fulfilling this criterion than places available, priority will be given to (i) siblings of pupils who will be in the Academy at the time of admission (see note 3 below), followed by (ii) pupils living closest to the front gate of the Academy, as measured by a straight line.

Pupils living outside the Marsh Academy first priority zone. If there are more pupils fulfilling this criterion than places available, priority will be given to (i) siblings of pupils who will be in the Academy at the time of admission (see note 3 below), followed by (ii) pupils living closest to the front gate of the Academy, as measured by a straight line.

Note 1. Children in the care of a local authority – a child under the age of 18 years for whom the local authority provides accommodation by agreement with their parents/carers (section 20 of the Children Act 1989) or who is the subject of a Care Order (under Part IV of that Act).

Note 2. Health and Special Access Reasons – Children who for reasons of health

or physical impairment require them to attend the Academy. The child's health reasons must be strong and the evidence must demonstrate a special connection between the child's needs and the Academy. The evidence must be supported in writing by a medical practitioner. The child's physical impairment must be such that it requires him/her to attend the Academy because its buildings do not inhibit the child's mobility. Parental health and physical impairment is not a criterion.

Note 3. Sibling – siblings are natural, step, adopted and foster brothers and sisters, plus those living as brother or sister in the same house. To qualify under this criterion the child seeking admission must have a sibling in the school at the time of entry.

Living within the first priority zone - To be living within this first priority zone the pupil's permanent residence (i.e. the place where the child sleeps throughout the week) must be within this area. Proof of residence may be requested. A map showing the boundary can be viewed at the Academy.

Distance – distance is measured between the child's permanent home address and the Academy via a straight line using ordnance survey access point data.

Supplementary Form Required: No

Admissions to the Sixth Form

Students of the Academy have the right to transfer into the sixth form.

Applications from external students to join the Academy's sixth form are welcomed. Priority will be given to existing pupils transferring from Year 11. The PAN for external candidates will be 15 but this figure may be exceeded in the event that this and the number of internal pupils transferring into Year 12 is less than the overall total figure for the year group which is 120.

You should complete the Academy's application form which can be obtained from the Academy or use Kent's online system. Applicants should be made by 01 May 2010.

In the event of oversubscription, places will be allocated in line with the oversubscription criteria used at the normal point of entry (above).

Transport

Pupils living in the following areas and parishes are eligible for free transport if they live more than three miles away: Burmarsh, Dymchurch, St Mary-in-the-Marsh, New and Old Romney, Lydd, Ivychurch, Brookland, Brenzett, Snargate and Newchurch.