

KSA Oversubscription Criteria for Year 7

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the published admission number, places will be offered in the following order of priority: After the admission of pupils with statements of Special Educational Needs or EHC Plan where Kettering Science Academy is named as the appropriate provision, the criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out below: All children will be required to undertake a cognitive ability test. Children who take the test will be divided into 9 stanines based on the results of the test and places will be allocated to each stanines in proportion to national averages. Children who take the test will be given priority over children who do not. Priority to the criteria will be given in the following order:

- a) Looked After Children and all previously Looked After Children (see paragraph 5.9.1 of the policy for definition of 'Looked After Children').
- b) Children with a sibling link (See paragraph 5.9.3 of the policy for definition of 'sibling').
- c) Children who live in the villages linked to the Academy - Broughton, Cransley, Mawsley and Pytchley.
- d) Children of staff who have been employed at the named school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the named school is made, and/or staff recruited to fill vacant posts for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. (Demonstrable skill shortage will only normally apply to qualified teacher positions, where the school has continually been unable to recruit).
- e) Children who live in the defined area as described below - Within the area bordered by: Barton Road where it meets the River Ise, the A6900 London Road up to the A4300 to include Naseby Road where it borders the River Ise. This includes all roads leading from main roads directly feeding off Deeble Road. (All houses within this defined area).
- f) Other children. Distance Tiebreaker If the admission number is exceeded within any criterion, priority will be given to those children who live closest to the school, as measured from the centre of their home address to the nearest pupil access point of the school. Although a Distance Tiebreaker applies, given the admissions test, this is only likely to be relevant when:

A particular band is oversubscribed; and

Two or more students have exactly the same admissions test score. In such circumstances, priority will go to children that live nearest the main entrance of the school. All applicants taking the test will be placed in one of nine bands based on the results of the ability test. A number of places will be allocated from each band in a proportion that reflects the national ability range.