All Hallows RC High School

Consultation on changes to the schools Admissions Criteria 2022-23

Background

The Admissions Code of Practice 2014 requires an admission authority to consult each time it proposes to make significant changes to its admission arrangements. In accordance with the Admissions Code, a consultation period must run for a minimum of six weeks and take place between 1st October and 31st January. The process allows parents, other schools, local authorities and other interested stakeholders to raise comments or concerns about the proposed arrangements.

This document is particularly for the attention of parents, other admissions authorities, the local authority and the Diocese of Salford. This consultation will run between 1st December 2020 and 15th January 2021. Information on how you can respond can be found below.

Specific Proposals

The Governing Body of All Hallows Roman Catholic High School in Salford wish to consult on a change to the categories and wording of its Admissions and Over Subscription Criteria.

The Governors recognise that the first responsibility of the school is to serve the Roman Catholic community for which it has been established. However, we also believe it is important to ensure that those children who are baptised Roman Catholic and have a sibling attending school at the date of admission are given a higher priority on the current Admissions and Over Subscription Criteria.

Category 4, currently reads:

Other Baptised Roman Catholic Children

Proposed Amendment 1

A new category will be inserted after category 2:

3. Children who are baptised Roman Catholic and have a sibling attending school at the time of proposed admission.

To reflect this change, the following description, describing priority given to those with siblings within the categories 2 to 5, will also be amended.

This currently reads

Within categories 2 to 5 priority will be given to children who will have a brother or sister at the school at the time of proposed admission.

Proposed Amendment 2

Within categories 2 and 4 priority will be given to children who will have a brother or sister at the school at the time of proposed admission.

The impact of this change will be that 'other' Catholic children who have a sibling at school at the time of admission, will now have a higher priority than Catholic children without siblings (at All Hallows) who live in the catchment areas of our feeder primaries but who do not attend a feeder primary.

If you require a hard copy of the document please ask for one at the school. The document will also be made available on the school's website.

How to Return Your Comments

This consultation is co-ordinated by the Governing Body of All Hallows RC High School. The consultation period will run between 1St December 2020 and 15th January 2021 and you are invited to submit comments in writing about the proposal above to:

The Clerk to the Governors, All Hallows RC High School, 150 Eccles Old Road, Salford, M6 8AA.

Alternatively you may wish to e-mail: gemma.perkins@salford.gov.uk Comments can also be sent to the Chair of Governing Body at the school address.

Please submit any comments by Wednesday 13th January 2021. Following the consultation period the Governing Body will meet before in order to formally determine the Governing Body's admission arrangements for the academic year commencing September 2022.