



## **Ripon Grammar School**

### **Year 9 Admissions Policy**

#### **1. Introduction**

Ripon Grammar School is an academically selective co-educational maintained school for day and boarding students, both weekly and termly. The Governors of the School are the admission authority for admission into the Year 9. In the admissions process, applicants for day and boarding places are considered as distinct and separate groups. A boarding place cannot be converted into a day place. As an academically selective school all students, boarding and day, must reach the prescribed academic standard before being offered a place. For Year 9 entry the School administers its own tests and determines the standard required. Students already on the School Roll at any time during Year 8 are not eligible to take the tests.

#### **2. Total Places Available**

The school's PAN in Year 9 is 130. The number of day and boarding places available each year is therefore determined by the size of Year 8 and the number of boarding places available. Any unallocated boarding places will be made available to day students according to the School's criteria for entry for a Year 9 day place.

#### **3. Day Places**

Where there are more suitable applicants than there are day places available the following priority and sub-criteria will be used and a waiting list established:

Priority is given to:

1. Looked after and all previously looked after children
2. Children with special social and medical reasons
3. Those children whose home address<sup>1</sup> lies within the catchment area for Year 7 entry as defined by North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC).
4. Children of staff [employed for a minimum of 2 years or to fill a demonstrable skill shortage] at the school
5. Those children whose home address lies outside the catchment area for Year 7 entry as defined by North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC)

Within each of the priorities above the following sub-criteria will be used in order of priority

1. Children with a sibling at Ripon Grammar School<sup>1</sup>
2. Those whose home address is closest to the School<sup>2</sup> (measured using an electronic mapping system)

#### **4. Boarding Eligibility and Places**

For details on eligibility and oversubscription criteria see **RGS Boarding Admission Policy**

## **5. Allocation of places and notification to parents**

Boarding and day places are allocated at the same time and parents notified on the same day. Parents offered places are required to confirm their acceptance with the School, and (boarders only) pay the bond required within three weeks of the offer being made. Failure to do this may result in the offer being withdrawn and the place being offered to someone on the waiting list.

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<sup>1</sup> Sibling refers to brother or sister and includes children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers or sisters.

<sup>2</sup> Definition of home address is that used by NYCC