

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA 2017

The Board of Governors has determined that, in the event of the number of applicants being greater than the admissions number for the school, the following method will be used to select boys for admission:

- Christian Brothers' Grammar School will select for admission all children resident in Northern Ireland at the time of their proposed admission before any child not so resident may be selected for admission.
- The results achieved by boys in the Entrance Assessment provided by Granada Learning Assessment together with any grades awarded as a result of Special Circumstances or Special Provision will be used by our Transfer Committee in applying the criteria in order 1-7 below.

The Board of Governors will admit boys strictly in the following order;

1. Boys awarded Grade A in the GL Entrance Assessment and those boys regarding whom parental claims for consideration of special circumstances and/or special provision have been accepted and who, in the opinion of the authorised Sub-Committee, based on the documented evidence submitted as required, are of comparable ability to those boys awarded Grade A.
2. Boys awarded Grade B1 in the GL Entrance Assessment and those boys regarding whom parental claims for consideration of special circumstances and/or special provision have been accepted and who, in the opinion of the authorised Sub-Committee, based on the documented evidence submitted as required, are of comparable ability to those boys awarded Grade B1.
3. Boys awarded Grade B2 in the GL Entrance Assessment and those boys regarding whom parental claims for consideration of special circumstances and/or special provision have been accepted and who, in the opinion of the authorised Sub-Committee, based on the documented evidence submitted as required, are of comparable ability to those boys awarded Grade B2.
4. Boys awarded Grade C1 in the GL Entrance Assessment and those boys regarding whom parental claims for consideration of special circumstances and/or special provision have been accepted and who, in the opinion of the authorised Sub-Committee, based on the documented evidence submitted as required, are of comparable ability to those boys awarded Grade C1.
5. Boys awarded Grade C2 in the GL Entrance Assessment and those boys regarding whom parental claims for consideration of special circumstances and/or special provision have been accepted and who, in the opinion of the authorised Sub-Committee, based on the documented evidence submitted as required, are of comparable ability to those boys awarded Grade C2.
6. Boys awarded Grade D in the GL Entrance Assessment and those boys regarding whom parental claims for consideration of special circumstances and/or special provision have been accepted and who, in the opinion of the authorised Sub-Committee, based on the documented evidence submitted as required, are of comparable ability to those boys awarded Grade D.
7. All other boys who have applied to be admitted to Christian Brothers' Grammar School.

If there are more boys who satisfy any one of the criteria 1 to 7 when they are applied in the order of priority set down above, than places remaining, then boys will be selected according to the following sub-criteria applied in the order set down below:

- i. Boys who, at the date of their application, have another boy of the family (as defined by DE in Transfer 2010 Guidance) attending the school or has been selected for admission to the school in the coming school year.
- ii. Boys who are the first boy of the family to transfer to secondary education, i.e. the eldest boy of the family as defined above.
- iii. Other boys ranked by the standardised age score they attained in GL Entrance Assessment with the highest score being admitted first.
- iv. Other boys ranked by date of birth as entered on the Birth Certificate with the youngest being admitted first. This criterion will alternate between youngest and eldest in subsequent years.

If there are more boys in any one of the above sub-criteria (i) to (iv) than there are places available, then the remaining criteria will become sub-criteria and applied successively in the order set out until the final selection is completed. In the event of two or more boys having the same date of birth and thereby qualifying for the last

place(s), the boys will be ranked by alphabetical order of surname and then forenames as listed on the birth certificate. If following this procedure, there are still two or more boys with the same surname and forenames as appear on their birth certificates then random selection will be used by drawing lots.

Verification of all Information

The Board of Governors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on the Transfer Form or appended to the Transfer Form by parents/guardians. For verification purposes original documents are required and not facsimiles or photocopies.

The provision of false or incorrect information or the failure to provide any further requested verifying documents within a deadline set by the Christian Brothers' Grammar School will result in either the withdrawal of a place or the inability of the school to offer a place.

The responsibility to ensure that:

- the Transfer Form and other necessary documentation is correctly completed;
- any Special Circumstances and/or Special Provision being claimed are properly documented as described in detail above and in the guidance documentation available from our school; and
- any required verification documents are provided within specified deadlines,

lies with the parents/guardians of the child. Failure to ensure that this occurs may lead to any request for special circumstances not being considered and/or the application not being considered by the Board of Governors and/or the withdrawal of a place in the school.