

*The*  
**ELLEN WILKINSON SCHOOL**  
*For Girls*

**Admissions Criteria 2021-2022**

**ADMISSION INTAKE : 216 FOR YEARS 7 - 11**

In the event of over-subscription places will be offered using the admission criteria **in the following order of priority:-**

1. Looked after children and children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to adoption, a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order. Including children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (See below for definitions of children who are looked after or were previously looked after).
  - a. **Definition:** Children who are looked after or were previously looked after - A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). Previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order immediately following having been looked after. Adopted children are those who were adopted under the Adoption Act 1976 (see section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children's Act 2002 (see section 46 adoption orders). Child arrangements orders are defined in s.8 of the Children Act 1989, as amended by s.12 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Child arrangements orders replace residence orders and any residence order in force prior to 22 April 2014 is deemed to be a child arrangements order. A special guardianship order is defined by s. 14A of the Children Act 1989 as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians). A child is regarded as having been in state care in a place outside of England if they were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society.
2. Girls who have a sister who is currently attending The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls and who will still be at the school when the younger sibling starts at the school. [see note (ii)]
3. Those with a parent employed by the School for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission is made.
4. Girls who suffer from a confirmed medical condition or with traumatic incidents in their background where the admissions panel accept a professional recommendation that the pupil should attend The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls rather than any other school (supporting written evidence will be required).
5. There will need to be a very clear link between the applicant's particular special needs and the school. Parents will need to submit a case supported by appropriate evidence from a doctor, a social worker or similar professional.
6. 5. Proximity of the girl's home to school, with those living nearer being accorded the higher priority (see note iv). Girls living some part of the week at one parent's home and the rest at the other parent's home the address where the girl's parent is claiming child benefit will be used (proof of claim will be required\*) [see note iii]

**7. Notes :**

- (i) **It is assumed that any parent applying for a place at Ellen Wilkinson has a preference for single sex (girls) education. Therefore, a wish for single sex education will not be used as a criterion to distinguish between applicants.**

- (ii) For this criterion sister includes whole or half-sister, blood or by adoption and any step-sister who lives with them but NOT sister-cousins.
  - (iii) When choices have to be made between children under the distance criteria, places will be allocated by random allocation.
  - (iv) The distance from home to school is measured by straight line from a point in the property determined by Ordnance Survey to the nearest gated entrance which is used by pupils to enter the school grounds. The measuring system is an integral part of the admissions software produced by Tribal Technology Ltd. It uses Ordnance Survey maps and is accurate to 2 metres.
- \* Proof of claim accepted will be the parents confirmation of child benefit, including the girl's name.

## **WAITING LIST**

The school keeps a waiting list for entry to all years. Applicants are added in the appropriate place according to the above criteria.

## **ADMISSION TO YEAR 12**

## **ADMISSION INTAKE: 230**

6<sup>th</sup> Form places are available for all existing students on roll during the previous academic year, providing they fulfil the individual requirement for each subject of the proposed course as set out in the prospectus and apply before the closing date for applications.

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All other applicants subject to: -

- i) meeting the individual entry requirement for individual subjects of the proposed course and apply before the closing date for applications.

In cases of over subscription the admission criteria 1-3 and 6 of the above criteria for the main school will be applied.

**ADMISSION TO THE SIXTH FORM DOES NOT GUARANTEE THAT STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO UNDERTAKE ANY COURSE OF STUDY FOR WHICH THEY HAVE EXPRESSED A PREFERENCE.**