



Sixth Form Admissions

This document gives details of admissions to Tudor Grange Academy Sixth Form for September 2023

Age of students

Students enter the Sixth Form in Year 12 in the September after they reach the age of sixteen and leave at the end of Year 13, apart from in exceptional circumstances.

Number of students

The admission number for external students, subject to them meeting the minimum academic entry requirements, is 30.

The total number of students (both internal and external) in Year 12 is proposed to be 160.

Where there are fewer internal students that progress to Year 12, additional external applicants will be admitted up to the overall capacity.

Date of Application

The Academy has set the deadline of Wednesday, 1st February 2023 for the receipt of all external applications. Students currently in Year 11 at Tudor Grange Academy Solihull will also be asked to complete an application by this date, indicating whether they wish to continue into sixth form and their preferred subjects. This will enable curriculum planning to take place. Applications should be made online via the Academy website (details will be shared at the sixth form open evening in December 2022).

Minimum Academic Entry Requirements

The minimum academic entry requirements for Year 11 Tudor Grange Academy Solihull students and external students will be the same. These are detailed below:

Students choosing to study four A levels

Students who wish to study four A levels must achieve a minimum of:

- Six GCSE's at grade 7 or above; and
- GCSE Mathematics and GCSE English (Language or Literature) at grade 6 or above

Students choosing to study three A Levels

Students who wish to study three A levels must achieve a minimum of:

- Six GCSE's at grade 6 or above; and
- GCSE Mathematics and GCSE English (Language or Literature) at grade 5 or above

All A Level courses will require students to achieve a minimum of a 6 grade in all examined units of the relevant GCSE course (specific course entry requirements will be detailed on the website).

There are also additional entry requirements for a number of specific courses, details of which are set out in the Sixth Form Curriculum section of the Academy website.

Potential applicants are advised to study the additional requirements for specific subjects or courses.

In addition to their A levels students will be expected to broaden their experiences by choosing at least one of the following options:

- Completing the Extended Project Qualification.
- Completing the Core Maths Qualification.
- Opting to undertake a work placement.
- Participating in Academy enrichment opportunities.
- Attending mentor sessions to prepare them for university entry tests such as UKCAT, LNAT etc.

Offers of places to join the Sixth Form

Tudor Grange Academy Solihull Year 11 students who submit an application by the published deadline will be offered a place in the Sixth Form, subject to them meeting the minimum academic entry requirement. It should be noted that this is an offer of a place and not a specific course of study.

External applicants who submit an application by the published deadline will be offered a place in the Sixth Form, subject to them meeting the minimum academic entry requirements.

If we are oversubscribed, the oversubscription criteria will be applied.

Tudor Grange Academy Solihull reserves the right to withdraw courses that are undersubscribed and similarly to limit number of students on courses that are oversubscribed.

Late Applicants

Applications received after the published deadline will be considered if places are still available. This will be done once all on-time applicants have enrolled (usually on the day following GCSE results day) unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Course changes

Applicants (internal and external) who have applied on time and wish to make changes to the courses selected on their application form should do this by contacting the sixth form administration team before 1st June 2023. Changes to courses following GCSE results can only be made on the day after GCSE results day and providing there are spaces available.

Acceptance of places

Acceptance of places by applicants takes place on GCSE results day. Detailed arrangements will be published on the Academy website. Places not accepted on the day will be assumed to have been declined.

External students must attend in person to accept their place, bringing evidence of their GCSE results. Where external students have not accepted their place by the end of the enrolment day, that place will be assumed to have been declined.

Oversubscription criteria for the Sixth Form

Where external applications exceed the number of places available for external students (i.e. the admission number), the following oversubscription criteria will be applied in the order of priority set out below. **All applicants will have to meet the minimum academic entry requirements.**

- Children looked after by a Local Authority (in line with section 22 of the Children Act) and previously looked after children (i.e. those who were previously looked after but who immediately following that were adopted or became subject to child arrangements order or special guardianship order), including those children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
- Children closest to the Academy, measured in a straight line from child's home (see notes below)

When calculating distance, this will be measured from the centre of the Academy main gates (Oak Drive), the main entrance (where it meets the public highway), of the permanent home address of the child on the day of enrolment. If parents/carers are separated, and the child spends time at each parent/carer's address, the address of the main parent/carer (where the child lives for the majority of the school week) will be used. If time is split equally during the school week, then Tudor Grange Academy Solihull will use the address closest to the Academy. Parents/carers may be asked to provide documentary evidence to verify the child's address, such as being registered with his / her doctor.

Tie breaker

Where, after the application of the oversubscription criteria, two or more applicants are tied, places will be allocated using a random computer selection system.

Waiting list

A waiting list will be maintained until 31st October of the year of admission for those applicants that have not been offered a place. Students will be ranked in accordance with the oversubscription criteria regardless of the date on which the application was received. If a place becomes available, these will be offered in accordance with the waiting list.

Appeals

Where a place has been refused, parents and students have the right to appeal to an Independent Review Panel. Further details of the appeals procedure will be set out on the Academy website.

Exceptional circumstances

Students who do not meet the minimum academic entry requirements will not be admitted into the sixth form unless there are sufficient places available and exceptional circumstances apply. An admissions committee, consisting of members of the Local Governing Body, will be convened to consider exceptional cases.

Complaints

If you are unhappy with any aspect of our admissions arrangements or the appeal process, you can submit a complaint to the ESFA. Further details can be found on the ESFA's website or you can write to them at the following address:

ESFA Complaints Chief Executive's Office
Cheylesmore House Quinton Road
Coventry CV1 2WT



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