



**HILBRE HIGH SCHOOL
HUMANITIES COLLEGE**

**ADMISSIONS POLICY
SEPTEMBER 2019 - JULY 2020**

Hilbre High School Humanities College

Frankby Road, West Kirby, Wirral, CH48 6EQ

Academy Trust (All-Ability) aged 11 to 18

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Approximate number of students on roll: **1,130**

Admission number: **200**

Our School

Hilbre High School Humanities College is a Converter Academy School. We are an 11-18 co-educational academy with just over 1,100 students on roll; an academy which genuinely welcomes children and parents into a partnership with a shared aim; to achieve the most possible, both academically and socially, for our students. We ensure our students enjoy learning; we ensure they value the rewards of hard-study and commitment. We are committed to the belief and expectation that our students, whatever their starting point, will make rapid, valuable progress.

We remain part of Wirral's family of schools and are inspected in the same way as every other secondary school.

Admission criteria for Year 7

As an Academy School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for the decisions on admission to the school. Our admissions procedure is co-ordinated by the Local Authority in accordance with the Wirral Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme. All deadlines within the scheme should be adhered to by applicants.

For further information, please go to:

<https://www.wirral.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions>

Applications will be dealt with in order according to the following criteria:

- a) Children Looked After and previous Children Looked After. A Child Looked After 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 (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child, is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

- b) Children who have a valid medical reason for a specific placement. You must give details on the preference form and this may be checked by a medical officer of the Health Authority. A letter in support from a senior health care professional will be required as evidence when you submit your preference form. You need to make it clear why only this school is appropriate for your child's medical needs.
- c) Students who have a brother or sister (including half-brothers and sisters, adopted or step brothers and step sisters living in the same household) on roll at the school and of statutory school age when it opens in September.
- d) In the case of twins, triplets, etc. all the multiples will be admitted to the school even if this means that the Published Admissions number is exceeded.
- e) Students whose parents are currently teaching, administrative or support staff at Hilbre High School and have been employed for over 2 years.
- f) We will then take account of where your child lives. The Local Authority use a mapping system, based on Ordnance Survey maps, to measure the distance from your home to the school gate nearest to your child's home using the shortest road route, unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider a safe walking route as determined under Local Authority guidelines.

Late applications will be dealt with in accordance with the initial admissions criteria and arrangements applied by Wirral Local Authority.

Admissions during the Academic Year

In year requests will be considered by the Governing Body but will initially be co-ordinated by the Local Authority. Any decisions with respect to admissions are made with reference to the same criteria as for the Year 7 placements.

Appeals

If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents should contact Wallasey Town Hall (Parental Appeals) for the necessary paperwork. Appeals should be sent back to the Appeals Panel at Wallasey Town Hall no later than **4 weeks** from receiving the letter of refusal. The decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the autumn term.

6th Form Admissions Policy

The school has a separate policy for 6th Form admissions; please refer to this document for all information relating admission requirements and course criteria.