

Samuel Ryder Academy Sixth Form

Consultation on new admissions criteria for 2021-22

Scholars' Education Trust together with the Admissions Committee for Samuel Ryder Academy are currently determining proposed Sixth Form admission arrangements for September 2021. Please read this document very carefully as it contains important information which you will need to know when applying to the school.

Current Admissions Arrangements Oversubscription Criteria:

Admission to the Sixth Form will be for any student who meets the minimum academic standards expected, as set out in the Sixth Form prospectus. The PAN for external students is 20.

In the event of oversubscription to the sixth Form places will be offered by applying the following criteria in the order given:-

Rule 1 Children looked after (in public care) and children who were previously looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or a special guardianship order).

Rule 2 Medical or social: Children for whom it can be demonstrated that they have a particular medical or social need to go to the Academy.

Applications for children adopted but previously looked after abroad will be considered under this rule and accepted if the child's previously looked after status and adoption is confirmed.

Rule 3 Sibling: Children who have a sibling at the Academy at the time of application, unless the sibling is in the last year of the normal age range of the Academy.

Note: the "normal age range" is the designated range for which the Academy provides, for example Years R to 12.

Rule 4 Children of staff

Rule 5 Children who live in the priority area and for whom it is their nearest Hertfordshire maintained school or academy that is non-faith, co-educational and non-partially selective.

Note: Non-partially selective means that the school does not offer any places based on academic ability.

Rule 6 Children who live in the priority area who live nearest to the Academy.

Rule 7 Children living outside the priority area who live nearest to the Academy.

Proposed Admission Arrangements Oversubscription Criteria:

Admission to the Sixth Form will be for any student who meets the minimum academic standards expected. The PAN for external students is 40 with 60 additional places being offered to students joining the SRA Sports Academy who meet the minimum academic standards and sport standards expected. The minimum academic standards and sports standards are set out below:

Academic standards:

Minimum of 5 GCSEs graded 9-5

Plus grade 6 in the subjects/relevant subjects to be studied in the 6th form.

Sports standards:

Has performed at least at District level at the chosen sport.

Range of skills	Quality of skills	Physical attributes
Demonstrates all core skills and nearly advanced skills for the activity in isolation and under competitive pressure in authentic performance situations.	Core skills are performed consistently with an excellent standard of accuracy, control and fluency. The advanced skills demonstrated are performed consistently with an excellent standard of accuracy, control and fluency.	Demonstrates appropriate levels of physical fitness and psychological control to perform very effectively nearly all of the time.

Decision making
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Successfully selects and uses appropriate skills on nearly all occasions.• Applies appropriate team strategies/tactics/compositional ideas demonstrating an excellent understanding of the activity.• Demonstrates excellent awareness of the rules/regulations of the activity during performance• Demonstrates excellent regard for the safety of themselves and others.• Demonstrates excellent awareness of and response to the strengths, weaknesses and actions of other player(s)/performer(s) is excellent.

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Reasons for the proposal

This is to enable specific students, previously identified as having a particular talent/proven commitment to their chosen sport, to access first class professional coaching whilst maintaining their academic studies as part of a combined programme delivered by the SRA Sports Academy. These students will normally be intending to progress into a professional sports career.

You can view the proposed 2021-2022 admission rules in full on the school website.

Timeframe for consultation

The period of formal consultation opened on 18th November 2019 and ends on Sunday 5th January 2020. If you would like to comment on the proposed changes, please do so by midnight on 5th January in writing for the attention of the Admissions Committee either by post, to the school address, or by email to admin@scholarseducationtrust.co.uk.

Comments will be compiled and presented to the Trust Admissions committee after 5th January for consideration. The Trust Board will determine Samuel Ryder Academy's Admission Arrangements by 28th February 2020.