

Tolworth Girls' School and Centre for Continuing Education

A Specialist Technology School

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Foundation School for girls aged 11 – 18

ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS TO THE SCHOOL FOR SEPTEMBER 2011

There are 210 Year 7 places available for September 2011

If more than 210 applications are received, places will be offered according to the following criteria, used in this priority order:

- i. places will be offered firstly to Looked After Children ie children who are looked after by the public authority and are in public care. Applications made under this criterion must be accompanied by details of circumstance and professionally supported evidence (eg from a social worker);
- ii. places will be offered next to children who have a brother or sister, including an adopted, foster, half- or step-brother or sister, living at the same address and attending the same school at the time of admission;
- iii. places will then be offered in cases of exceptional family, social or medical need (which must be described on the application form and verified by professionally supported evidence, e.g. from a professionally qualified health professional or social worker) which makes the school concerned the most suitable one for the individual child;
- iv. the remaining places will be offered to children who live nearest to the school, as measured using the shortest approved walking route. Distance will be measured from the home address to the main school entrance on Fullers Way North. All distances will be measured using Kingston Council School Admissions computerised Geographical Information System.

The admissions criteria does not give priority to parents who wish to apply to the school solely on the grounds that they require a single sex education for their child.

Children who have a Statement of Special Educational Needs will be offered a place if the School is named in their Statement in accordance with the Education Act 1996 and the Special Educational Needs Code of Practice.

If two applicants live the same distance from the school, random selection by the drawing of lots will be used to allocate the place.

Waiting List

The waiting list will automatically consist of the names of unsuccessful applicants who have not had a higher preference offer. This list will be held in criteria order and will include any late applications.

Parents can request to add names of children who have had a higher preference offer, or who did not originally name the school as a preference, to the waiting list. Their names will be added to the waiting list in criteria order. From 1st September 2011 the waiting list will be held for 48 months.

In Year Admissions

In accordance with statutory regulations, from September 2010 onwards, any application for a school place for Year 7 to 11 must **not** be made directly to Tolworth Girls' School. All applications must be made to the Local Authority where the applicant lives (the Home LA) and the Home LA will pass on the application to the school via Kingston Local Authority.

All Late applications will be considered in accordance with Kingston's co-ordinated secondary admissions scheme and as published in Kingston's "Which Secondary School" booklet.