

# Admission Arrangements for 2021 Entry Sixth Form

Wallington County Grammar School, Sutton v. 13/2/2020



## **Introductory Statement**

The Admissions Authority for Wallington County Grammar School is Folio Education Trust. The admissions function has been delegated by Folio Education Trust to the Local Advisory Board of Wallington County Grammar School.

Wallington County Grammar School is an 11 - 18 selective school for boys and accepts girls into its Sixth Form. Our motto is Per Ardua Ad Summa, 'Through Difficulties to the Heights' and coming to school here as a student or professional means that we reach those heights daily by being part of such a successful educational organisation. What makes us great is that we meet life's difficulties together, as a community and a family, using our core values of compassion, courage, commitment and creativity to achieve excellence. We believe that we should always show compassion to others, making decisions without self-interest and supporting all those in our community to be happy and successful. We must have courage, never being afraid of failure but embracing it to learn from our mistakes and better ourselves. We are committed, not just to reaching academic success but to enriching ourselves as scholars, sportsmen and women, artists, musicians, actors, debaters and anything else we set our minds to.

Finally we are creative, always being willing to consider different solutions and think deeply about the challenges we face as individuals and as a society. Our admissions criteria are designed to support students from a wide range of different backgrounds gain access to the world class education that we provide.

# **Application Process**

Wallington County Grammar School provides a selective Sixth Form, admitting male and female students based on their GCSE, IGCSE or equivalent qualifications (if necessary, converting iGCSEs to GCSE point scores using the latest DfE guidance). We do not accept BTEC qualifications as a GCSE equivalent or GCSE Short Courses. A student with overseas qualifications should contact NARIC (the UK's National Agency for the Recognition and Comparison of International Skills and Qualifications) to give official approval that the qualifications taken overseas are of the

equivalent standard, and can be converted to GCSEs by the Senior Team at Wallington County Grammar School to give an indicative Average Point Score (APS) and to be placed into the rank order.

All applicants for whom Wallington County Grammar School (WCGS) is the named School on their Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP), will be given priority if they reach the minimum entry requirements for Sixth Form entry.

Students of Sixth Form age may make their own application for a place in our Sixth Form. External applicants wishing to apply for our Sixth Form who reach our minimum entry requirements, are asked to come to our school from GCSE Results Day in August 2021 until the end of the following School day to apply for our Sixth Form during the normal round of admissions.

By this end date all applications will be ranked by average point score of a students' top 8 GCSE's and places will be offered in accordance with our Admissions Criteria. After this date, external applicants may still come to our school to apply for a place in our Sixth Form and this will be classed as a late application. All late applications will be ranked by Average Point Score (APS) when they are received. All further offers of places for our Sixth Form will be made to the applicant with the highest APS, regardless of when they applied. Unsuccessful applicants and their parents/carers have the right of appeal.

The School complies with all relevant legislation, including Sex Discrimination Act, Race Relations Acts, Human Rights Act, Disability Discrimination Acts, Equality Act and these arrangements have been consulted on and then determined in accordance with the statutory requirements and the mandatory provisions of the School Admissions Code.

# **Out of Date Range Students**

If a child is out of the normal date range for the intake of students for that chronological year, the School asks that supporting documentation is provided by no later than **two months before** any application is made to our Sixth Form. The expected date range of Sixth Form students for entry into Year 12 in 2021 is 01/09/2004 to 31/08/2005.

This supporting documentation should at least provide evidence from a professional to confirm why the student is out of the expected date range. When such a request is made, the Local Advisory Board will make a decision on the basis of the circumstances of the case and in the best interests of the child concerned, taking into account the views of the Headteacher and any supporting evidence provided by the parent, plus:

- Parents' / carers views
- Information relating to the child's academic, social and emotional development, where relevant
- Medical history and the views of a medical professional
- Any previous history of being educated outside of their normal age group
- If the child may naturally have fallen into a lower age group if it were not for being born prematurely or being summer born & start of School was deferred

#### **Other General Information**

Wallington County Grammar School will accept a minimum of 25 external applicants into our Sixth Form, but this number is more likely to be in the region of 45-50 places offered each year.

The majority of students in the Sixth Form will select three A Levels or four, if one of them includes Further Mathematics. <u>Please Note: – Students cannot study Further Mathematics within their three A Level choices</u>. This must be chosen as a fourth A Level. Some students may be permitted to study four full A Levels, not including Further Mathematics but will need to meet the more rigorous entry requirements detailed separately below.

With the exception of Further Mathematics, the School will <u>not</u> offer AS Levels.

<u>Please note</u>: In order to study Physics at A Level, you must also choose to study A Level Mathematics as one of your additional A Level choices.

### **Oversubscription Criteria**

In the event that the number of eligible applications exceeds the number of places available, the following oversubscription criteria will apply, in the order set out below:

- 1. Those progressing from Year 11 at Wallington County Grammar School.
- 2. Looked After Children (LAC) and Previously Looked After Children (PLAC), but immediately after being looked after become subject to adoption, a child arrangement order or special guardianship order.

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.

3. Those progressing from Year 11 at other schools in Rank Order of academic performance.

#### Notes

#### **Rank Order**

In the event that two or more applicants have the same rank order and where the admission would exceed the number of places available, preference will be given to students who are eligible for Pupil Premium (PP) through their current school during GCSE examinations.

Thereafter, places will be allocated in the order of the distance of their home postcode from the main pedestrian entrance of Wallington County Grammar School measured in a straight line on a map. If two students lived the same distance from the school, then a random allocation will be made by an independent person.

Rank order is determined by the "Attainment 8" score as set out by the Department for Education (with slight variations made due to our specific curriculum offer, as shown in italics).

It gives the average achievement across 8 subjects:

- English (double weighted);
- Mathematics (double weighted);
- Three other English Baccalaureate (EBacc) subjects (science, computer science, geography, history, languages, *classics*, *economics*)
- Three further subjects, which can be from the range of EBacc subjects, or can be any other full course GCSE.

#### **Home Address**

The home address is where a child normally lives. Where a child lives with parents with shared parental responsibility, each for part of a week, the address where the child lives is determined using a joint declaration from the parents stating the pattern of residence. If a child's residence is split equally between both parents, then parents will be asked to determine which residential address should be used.

If no joint declaration is received and the residence is split equally the home address will be determined to be the address where the child is registered with the doctor. However, all evidence will be taken into account. If the residence is not split equally between both parents, then the address used will be the address where the child spends the majority of the school week.

Please ensure you meet our minimum entry requirements to apply for Sixth Form:			
Any 3 Subjects, OR 4 subjects including Maths and Further Maths	Any 4 subjects, none of which are Further Maths		
To have achieved eight GCSEs:	To have achieved eight GCSEs:		
Three of which are a minimum of Grade 7 and	> Two of which are at Grade 9 and		
Three of which are at a minimum of Grade 6 and	Three of which are at a minimum of Grade 8 and		
Two of which are at a minimum of Grade 5 and	Three of which are a minimum of Grade 6 and		
To have achieved a minimum of Grade 4 in English Language AND Mathematics.	To have achieved a minimum of Grade 4 in English Language AND Mathematics.		

# Now please review the subject specific entrance requirements below;

Subject Specific Entrance Requirements based on GCSE results		
Subject	Any 3 Subjects, OR 4 subjects including Maths & Further Maths	4 subjects, none of which are Further Maths
Art, English Literature, French, Maths or Spanish.	Grade 7 in that subject	Grade 8 in that subject
Classics	If Classics has been studied at GCSE:  Grade 7 in Classics <u>or</u> Grade 6 in Classics <u>and</u> Grade 7 in English Language or English  Literature or History  If Classics has not been studied at GCSE:  Grade 7 in English Language or English Literature or History	If Classics has been studied at GCSE: Grade 8 in Classics If Classics has not been studied at GCSE: Grade 8 in English Language or English Literature or History
Computer Science	If Computer Science has been studied at GCSE: Grade 7 in Computer Science If Computer Science has not been studied at GCSE: Grade 7 in Mathematics	If Computer Science has been studied at GCSE: Grade 8 in Computer Science If Computer Science has not been studied at GCSE: Grade 8 in Mathematics
Drama	If Drama has been studied at GCSE:  Grade 7 in Drama  If Drama has not been studied at GCSE:  Grade 7 in English Literature	If Drama has been studied at GCSE: Grade 7 in Drama If Drama has not been studied at GCSE: Grade 7 in English Literature
Economics	If Economics has been studied at GCSE: Grade 7 in Economics or	If Economics has been studied at GCSE: Grade 8 in Economics

Economics cont.	Grade 6 in Economics and Grade 7 in Mathematics and Grade 7 in	If Economics has not been studied at GCSE:
	either English Language or English Literature	Grade 8 in Mathematics <u>and</u> Grade 8 in either English Language or
	If Economics has not been studied at GCSE:	English Literature
	Grade 7 in Mathematics <u>and</u> Grade 7 in either English Language or	
	English Literature	
Geography	If Geography has been studied at GCSE:	If Geography has been studied at GCSE:
	Grade 7 in Geography	Grade 8 in Geography
	If Geography has not been studied at GCSE:	If Geography has not been studied at GCSE:
	Grade 7 in English Language or English Literature and an average of	Grade 8 in English Language or English Literature and an average of
	Grade 7 across the sciences	Grade 8 across the sciences
Politics	Grade 7 in History or Classics or English Language or English	Grade 8 in History or Classics or English Language or English
	Literature	Literature
History.	If History has been studied at GCSE:	If History has been studied at GCSE:
	Grade 7 in History	Grade 8 in History
History	If History has not been studied at GCSE:	If History has not been studied at GCSE:
	Grade 7 in English Language or English Literature	Grade 8 in English Language or English Literature
Philosophy	Grade 7 in RS or English Language or English Literature or History or	Grade 8 in RS or English Language or English Literature or History or
	Geography or Classics	Geography or Classics
Music	If Music has been studied at GCSE:	If Music has been studied at GCSE:
	Grade 7 in GCSE Music	Grade 7 in GCSE Music
	If Music has not been studied at GCSE:	If Music has not been studied at GCSE:
	You must have Grade 5 or above on an instrument/voice AND	You must have Grade 5 or above on an instrument/voice AND
	Grade 5 in Music theory . A piece of composition work will be	Grade 5 in Music theory . A piece of composition work will be
	needed as part of your bridging work.	needed as part of your bridging work.
Biology, Chemistry, Physics* with triple science	Grade 7 in the specific science	Grade 8 in the specific science
Biology, Chemistry, Physics* if you		
have Core, Add and Further Add Science	Grade 7 across the three GCSEs	Grade 8 across the three GCSEs
Biology, Chemistry, Physics <mark>*</mark> if you have taken Dual Science	Grade 8 in the two GCSEs	Grade 9 in the two GCSEs

Further Maths	If an additional qualification from the list below has been studied:  Grade 8 in GCSE Mathematics and one of: Grade 7 in AQA Further Maths or equivalent or Grade 8 in FSMQ Additional Mathematics or a Grade 8 in a Level 3 qualification with high algebra content e.g. C1, C2, AS Maths  If an additional qualification has not been studied:  Grade 9 in Mathematics	
* Whatever previous combination is studied, to take A Level Physics you must also take A Level Mathematics		