

# **Braunton Academy**

# **Admissions Policies**

Braunton Academy is a member of the Braunton School and Community College Academy Trust which is the admissions authority, responsible for the admissions policies and decisions on applications for admission. We have an admissions policy for each academic year. They are written to comply with the School Admissions Code and School Admissions Appeals Code. We take part in the co-ordinated admissions schemes of Devon County Council.

# Come and visit us

If you are interested in your child attending our school, you are welcome to come in and visit us. You can arrange a visit on 01271 812221 or by emailing admin@braunton.academy, for advice on admission.

# Applying to come here

Once you decide you would like a place in Year 7 or at any other time after this, you must make a formal application. You can do this by applying to the Local Authority and not direct to the school.

For the Normal Round intake into school, children are offered places to start in Year 7 at the beginning of the September term. Children who are admitted to a vacancy at any time after this point are called 'In-Year' Admissions.

# The Local Authority

Devon County Council publishes information about admissions and its own policies to support the admissions application and appeals process. This is at www.devon.gov.uk/admissions

Applications can be made online at www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonlineor by using the forms available at http://devon.cc/applicationforms

The appeals process is detailed at www.devon.gov.uk/school-appeals

For questions about your child joining the school or just about the admissions process in general, please don't hesitate to contact the school direct or contact Devon School Admissions Service on 0345 155 1019 or by email to admissions@devon.gov.uk.

### **Our Admissions Policies**

You can find our admissions policies below - we review the school policy annually and may make changes if we feel this would be in the best interests of the school and our community.

Each academic year has its own policy document, with details about how to apply for a place in school from the start of Year 7 through to Year 11.

#### School admissions policy 2019-20

This is our determined policy. If you have any comments regarding the policy, you can contact us at the school or schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk.

- 2019 admissions policy.pdf
- 2019 Supplementary Information Form.pdf

#### School admissions policy 2020-21

This is our determined policy. If you have any comments regarding the policy, you can contact us at the school or schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk.

- 2020 admissions policy.pdf
- 2020 Supplementary Information Form.pdf

#### School admissions policy 2021-22

This is our determined policy. If you have any comments regarding the policy, you can contact us at the school or schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk.

Objections can be made up to 15 May 2020 to the Office of the Schools' Adjudicator.

- 2021 admissions policy.pdf
- 2021 Supplementary Information Form.pdf

#### School admissions policy 2022-23

We will consult on an admissions policy between 1 November 2020 and 8 January 2021. If you have any comments regarding the policy we propose, you can contact us at the school or schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk.

After the consultation, we will determine the policy at a meeting of the admissions authority held before the end of February 2021.

Once determined, the policy will be updated by 15 March 2021.

Objections can be made up to 15 May 2021 to the Office of the Schools' Adjudicator.

- 2022 admissions policy.pdf
- 2022 Supplementary Information Form.pdf

# The Admissions Appeals Timetable 2020

The School Admissions (England) (Coronavirus) (Appeals Arrangements) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 apply to appeals that are submitted by parents on or before 31 January 2021. They amend the timescales and processes referred to in our admissions arrangements.

Appeals will not be heard at a face to face meeting. They will be heard by remote access – by video or telephone conference. Where it is not possible for a parent to take part by remote access, the appeal panel may make its decision based on the written information that is submitted.

A new deadline for appeals will be at least 28 calendar days from the date of the refusal to admit. Appeals will be heard as soon as possible after they are submitted with parents given at least 14 days' written notice of an appeal hearing. Parents may not submit additional evidence on the day of the appeal.

# The Admissions Appeals Timetable 2021

Appeals at the normal round of admissions will be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals on **31 March 2021**. Where the application was not made in time for a decision to be made on **1 March 2021**, they will be heard within that 40-day period or, if that is not possible, within 30 days of the appeal being lodged. In-year admission appeals must be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.