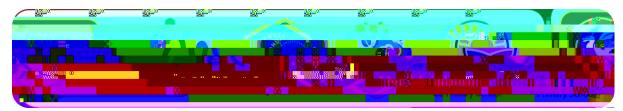
Admissions Policy 2026-2027



1. Consultation

This policy is currently open to consultation and feedback for:

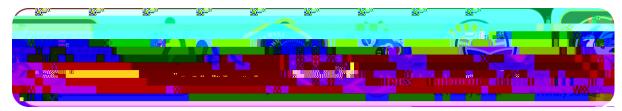
Current Parents
Prospective Parents
MET Employees
MET Governance
Members,
Trustees
Local Governing Boards
Local Schools
Local Authority

Any feedback / queries should be directed to:

admissions@metacademies.org.uk

2. Purpose of the Policy

- 2.1 The purpose of this policy is to make the admissions process to schools within Mercian Educational Trust (the Trust) clear and open.
- 2.2 The Trustees have agreed that the admission arrangements for all its schools will remain in line with the agreed arrangements for Worcestershire's maintained non-denominational secondary and primary schools. This Policy should be read in conjunction with the general terms contained in the Worcestershire Admission to Primary and Secondary School Booklets.
- 2.3 The Trust adheres to the statutory requirements and the principles expressed in the School Admissions Code 2021. This includes reference to the Worcestershire Fair Access Protocol. The admission arrangements must be confirmed by 28 February each year and published on the schools websites by March.
- 2.4 Reception admissions: The Trustees and Governors are supported by the Worcestershire Local Authority (LA) in processing applications for places and informing



Places will be allocated by the school admission officer using the criteria set out above.

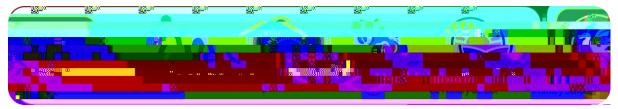
3.5 Children of UK Service Personnel (UK Armed Forces) & Crown Servants¹

Mercian Educational Trust recognises the particular needs of children of UK service personnel (UK Armed Forces) & Crown Servants.

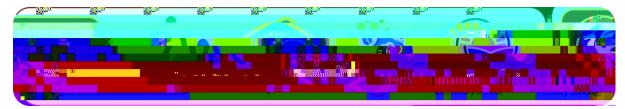
Paragraph 2.21 of the School Admissions Code requires that: For families of service personnel with a confirmed posting, or crown servants returning from overseas, admission authorities must:

a) allocate a place in advance of the family arriving in the area (as

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3.13 In-Year Transfer Years Reception to 6



Appendix 2.- Advice on applying for a place at a MET School

Parents seeking a place at the Academy are invited to:

Visit the school to learn and assess its ethos and learning environment.

Obtain an admissions pack This will contain a prospectus, latest OFSTED report, and the Worcestershire Local Authority Starting School leaflet.

All applications for September Admissions in Worcestershire are made on-line to the local authority. The LA forward all applications to the school to allow the school to rank applications based on MET admissions policy.

In year applications are made directly to the school.

Key Dates

School Starters - Applications are accepted for pupils who will be 5 years old between 01.09.2025 and 31.08.2026.

Applications for Reception classes should be received by 15th