Admissions Policy

March 2024

Responsibility for updating this policy: Director of Admissions

Information about the admissions process, scholarship awards, means-tested bursary support and fees can be found on the Rugby School website: www.rugbyschool.co.uk under Admissions or from the Admissions Office: admissions@rugbyschool.net or 01788 556274.

Rugby School has about 850 students of which about 650 are full boarders and 200 are day students. Each year we aim to recruit over 200 new students to enter in Year 9, Year 10 and Year 12.

Entry is based on assessment by references, entrance tests (where the student does not study Common Entrance at their school) and interviews. When we consider applications we are looking for academic ability and potential, co-curricular interests and enthusiasms and the necessary resilience to be part of a full boarding school – even as a day student.

Prior to any application we strongly encourage visiting in person, from up to 3 years before entry. An application must start with registration and parental disclosure of all information which is relevant to the admissions process. The School needs to be aware of any known disability or special educational need which may affect a child's ability to participate in the admissions process and take full advantage of the education provided at the School. Parents of a child who has any disability or special educational needs should provide the School with full details at registration.

Formal assessment with a view to places being offered runs from the beginning of Year 6 for day places and the beginning of Year 7 for boarding places. To secure a place which has been offered we require payment of an Entrance Fee.

Rugby School holds a Home Office licence to sponsor students who will require a Child Student visa to study in UK.

Parents who do not live in UK will need to pay an Additional Deposit to secure the place and appoint an Educational Guardian before entry.

Rugby School welcomes applications for children from all ethnic and racial groups, backgrounds and creeds. Human rights and freedoms are respected but must be balanced with the lawful needs and rules of our School Community and the rights and freedoms of others. All applicants for admission will be treated equally, irrespective of their, or their parents' race, colour, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, association with a national minority, sexual orientation, property, birth or other status.

Rugby School currently has limited facilities for the disabled. However, the School will do all that is reasonable to comply with its legal and moral responsibilities under the Equality Act 2010 and Special Educational Needs and Disability Act 2001, in order to accommodate the needs of applicants who have disabilities for which, with reasonable adjustments, the School can cater adequately.

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