



Admissions Policy

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1 Introduction

Upper Wharfedale is a non-selective school in a selective area offering places for children aged 11 to 16. It is popular and frequently oversubscribed. Approximately 28% of the ability range is selected for the two local grammar schools by tests taken in Year 6.

Overall the school has more boys than girls – approximately 56% against 44%.

Around 50% of students come from the catchment area of the school - the wards of Upper Wharfedale, Grassington and Barden Fell.

2 Year 7 Admissions

The Headteacher and Governors do not have any role to play in the admission of pupils into Year 7.

The Pupil and Parent Services Officer, based at the Local Education Office, writes to the parents/carers of all children in their last year of Primary School and advises them which school is the normal area school for their residential home address. Parents/carers are invited to express a preference of Secondary School and to give reasons for that preference.

The published admissions number (PAN) for Upper Wharfedale School is 58, although permission has been granted to allocate up to 70 students in Year 7.

Where the number of applications exceeds the number of places available, places will be allocated as follows:

Priority 1

Looked after children and all previously looked after children for whom the school has been expressed as a preference.
(Previously looked after children are children who are looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangement order or special guardianship order.)

Priority 2

Children the Authority believes have special social or medical reasons for admission.

Priority 3

Children living within the normal area of the school.

Priority 4

Children living outside the normal area of the school.

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<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions>