

NEW-BRIDGE INTEGRATED COLLEGE

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**Grant-Maintained
Integrated College**

Age Range: 11-18

**Admissions
Number:** 100

Enrolment Number: 620

Open Day 2018

**The College will be open to prospective pupils and their parents on
Saturday 13 January 2018 from 9.30 am – 12.30 pm
Principal's Address at 9.30 am**

Respective functions of the Board of Governors and Principal in relation to Admissions to the school

The criteria are drawn up by the Board of Governors, which may delegate the application of them to an Admissions Committee. Any reference herein to the term Board of Governors includes any committee or subcommittee appointed by the Board of Governors for the purposes of applying the Admission Criteria set out herein. The Board of Governors may require the support of the College's administrative staff in order to fulfil its duties and they are so authorised by the Board of the Board of Governors.

ADMISSION CRITERIA YEAR 8 (2018/2019)

It is important for parents and primary school principals to be aware, that since its foundation, the College welcomes pupils of all-ability including those achieving grades in the Transfer Test.

Admission Criteria

The Board of Governors will seek to reflect in the total number admitted to the College a balance between the two main traditions in Northern Ireland. In order to achieve this, places will be allocated as follows:

Protestant tradition:	45%
Catholic tradition:	45%
Others:	10%

The criteria, set out below will be applied consecutively and separately to each of the above three categories. If there are fewer applicants than places available in any one category then the balance of the places will be divided equally between the remaining two categories. Should an odd number of places remain, then the additional place will be allocated to the category which has the greater number of applicants. Should an odd number of places remain and the number of applications be equal in both categories, then the additional place will be allocated to the category which represents the minority tradition on roll, in the College, at any time of the Admissions procedure. If there are fewer applicants than places in two categories then both balances of places will be allocated to the remaining category.

The religious affiliation of a pupil will be determined by the religious affiliation noted on or attached to the Transfer Form. If this information is not provided on the Transfer Form the religious affiliation will be determined by the category of primary school which the pupil attends i.e. Controlled or Maintained. The Board of Governors reserves the right to verify religious affiliation as recorded in the Primary School Information Management System.

Criteria for Admission to Year 8 September 2018/2019

The criteria shall be applied in the order set out below first to all applicants choosing New-Bridge Integrated College as their first choice of post-primary school, then to those choosing New-Bridge Integrated College as second choice and so on as required.

1. First Preference Applicants who have a brother(s) and/or sister(s) enrolled /formerly enrolled in the College. **(See procedures in the event of oversubscription)**
2. First Preference Applicants who are the eldest child/eldest eligible child.
 - Whose parent/guardian is a member of the College staff who has been in the salaried employment of New-Bridge Integrated College for a period of no less than twelve consecutive months on **1 March 2018**.
 - A Governor of New-Bridge Integrated College for a period of no less than twelve consecutive months on **1 March 2018**, or a former member of the Board of Governors who completed a full term of office. Applicants so described are regarded as equal. **(See procedures in the event of oversubscription)**
3. First Preference Applicants who are the eldest child in the family or the brother/sister of a First preference eldest child whose admission to Year 8 at the time of the Transfer Procedure was refused on a previous year due to oversubscription. Applicants so described are regarded as equal. **(See procedures in the event of oversubscription)**
4. First Preference Applicants who are not the eldest child **(See procedures in the event of oversubscription)**

Procedures in the event of oversubscription

In the event of oversubscription occurring at any of the above criteria then selection for places at that criterion will first be made with preference being given to pupils transferring from an integrated primary school. Information in relation to primary school is taken on the basis of the **primary school attended at the time the Transfer Form is signed**.

If oversubscription still occurs, then preference will be given to First preference applicants who are the eldest child and whose parent is a former pupil of New-Bridge Integrated College. The name of the parent and the dates they attended New-Bridge must be clearly stated on the transfer form.

If oversubscription still occurs, the following random selection process, as determined by the Board of Governors and overseen by the Admissions Committee, shall be applied to determine the remaining applications to be accepted.

- Each application to be considered at this stage is allocated a random number electronically generated within Microsoft Excel;
- The applicants are then ranked in order of the random number with higher numbers having preference.

NOTES FOR INFORMATION

1. It is a matter for parents to ensure that all the necessary information required by the College in order to apply its criteria is provided on or attached to the Transfer Form. In particular, it is important for parents to make it clear on or attached to the Transfer Form that they are claiming a relationship under Criterion 1 or Criterion 2. It is also the responsibility of parents to indicate on or attached to the Transfer Form information relevant for consideration under Criterion 3. Where parents certify that the applicant is the eldest child in the family, or the only child in the family for whom transfer to a post-primary integrated school has been possible since and including 1st September 1995 when New-Bridge Integrated College was founded or is the brother or sister of an elder child whose

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admission to Year 8 at the time of the Transfer Procedure was refused on a previous year due to oversubscription, this must be clearly stated on or attached to the Transfer Form.

2. In the case of multiple births in a family, such children are regarded as equal.
3. Long term foster children placed within a family where a son and/or daughter of the 'fostering' family is enrolled at the College, qualify for admission at Criterion 1.

Duty to Verify

The Board of Governors reserves the right to verify any information supplied on or attached to the Transfer Form and to obtain any information required to fulfil its admissions procedure. The Board of Governors wish to state that inaccurate or misleading information provided on or attached to a Transfer Form may prejudice an offer of a place and may lead to the withdrawal of a place awarded to an applicant who has thereby gained an improper advantage.