

Gordon's School – Admissions Information – Year 7 Entry

The Admissions Policy for each academic year is published in advance on the school website. For example, by the end of March 2022 you will find the Admissions Policy for 2023.

For September 2022 parents need to apply direct to the school on the SIF 2022 once it is published around April and before 31 Oct 2021 to be on-time and also must apply via their local authority (usually using an online form via their Local Authority website) between 1 Sept 2021 and 31 Oct 2021.

Families are encouraged to visit one of our open mornings when the student is in Year 6. (or Y8 if looking for a Y9 residential place) Main School open mornings are held each Autumn Term only and they are bookable online by around June via the school website. (Autumn Term 2020 visits were virtual events rather than a physical visit to the school premises.)

The address must be the permanent home address of the child and Surrey now has an 'Address of Convenience' protocol which they publish on their website which will now be used if there is any doubt over the validity of the address given.

It may be helpful for you to know that distances with maps can be found on the Surrey website:-

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/about-map>

In March of the year of entry the distances for those day boarding places which were offered by distance of the home address to the main school gate were as follows:

Year	PAN for Y7 – Published Admission Number	Residential boarding places within PAN (16 boys and 16 girls)	Day boarding places within PAN	Distance for last place offered on National Offer Day
2015	108	32	76	705 metres
2016	108	32	76	957 metres
2017	116	32	84	2318 metres
2018	116	32	84	1041 metres
2019	116	32	84	1081 metres
2020	116	32	84	1505 metres
2021	116	32	84 + 4 extra due to pressure on secondary school places in the area.	1054 metres

For 2022 the distance is unknown at the moment. It will establish itself by applying the oversubscription criteria to the applications received on-time for September 2022. **For Y7 2022 we will have some 'aptitude' places for sport or performing arts which is a new process not dependent on home address/distance.**

The issue with past information is that it will not tell any of us where the radius for day by distance places will go for future years. This will depend on how many top priority applications we get for categories above 'day by distance' – and then how many applications for day by distance places there are for that particular Year 7 and where they are living. If we are oversubscribed – in effect - the nearest ones to the main school gate will be offered first until we reach our PAN. (But see the relevant Admissions Policy for full details.)

Surrey publish figures over the last few years on how Surrey School places were allocated in previous years: <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/arrangements-and-outcomes/previous-years>

Residential Boarding The Admissions Policy also shows how residential (full and weekly) boarding places are allocated if we are oversubscribed.

In due course - please refer to the Gordon's School Admissions Policy for the relevant academic year of entry you are seeking to find out about the oversubscription criteria to be used at that time.

This is a useful summary to help explain some general information about Gordon's School. This does not replace the need for parents to investigate the school admission requirements on their local authority website and the Gordon's School website and read all the relevant documents available to them such as the Admissions Policy for the relevant year and the current Schedule of Charges.