

**COLERAINE GRAMMAR SCHOOL**

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**Voluntary Grammar School  
 (Co-educational Non-Denominational)**

**Age Range of pupils:** 11-18 years

**Admissions No:** 156

**Enrolment Number:** 1060

Coleraine Grammar School is a prestigious voluntary grammar school which opened on 1st September 2015. Coleraine Grammar School is a co-educational, 11-18, non-denominational school, building on the foundations provided by Coleraine High School and Coleraine Academical Institution, which offered excellent post-primary education in Coleraine for 150 years.

Coleraine Grammar School is initially operating on two campuses, the Lodge Road campus and the Castlerock Road campus. In September 2021, the new Year 8 pupils will be located on the Lodge Road.

**Open Nights**

Information which would normally be provided on the school's Open Nights will be published on the school's website and Facebook page in January 2021.

**ADMISSIONS PROCESS and ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR YEAR 8 - SCHOOL YEAR 2021/2022**

**TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS naming Coleraine Grammar School as a preference on your child's Transfer Form**

**Definition of Special Provision**

Special Provision applies to a child who was not registered to take the AQE tests because either:

- The child's parent/guardian wishes him/her to be admitted to Year 8 from a primary school outside Northern Ireland.
- OR
- The child has received more than half of his/her primary education outside Northern Ireland.

**If you are making a claim for your child to be considered under Special Provision, please note that you are required to:**

- Complete Form SP 20, obtainable from Coleraine Grammar School, and attach it to the Transfer Form when it is being submitted. You should state specifically which one or more of the above reasons make the applicant eligible for consideration under Special Provision.

The Admissions Sub-Committee will determine whether or not the application meets the criteria for Special Provision using the available evidence on or attached to the Transfer Form. It is the responsibility of the applicants to provide all of the information relevant to meeting the criteria for Special Provision, and to furnish relevant details.

**The Board of Governors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any Application Form/Transfer Form. This information may be requested from those whose applications have been successful on or shortly after Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021, when they have been notified of their allocation of a place at Coleraine Grammar School. The provision of false or incorrect information or the failure to provide verifying documents according to the required deadline may result in either the withdrawal of a place or the inability to offer a place.**

**Voluntary Contribution**

Coleraine Grammar School has an annual parental contribution of £200 payable as £20 per month (x10) for the first child, with a 25% reduction for the second child and 50% reduction for the third child or subsequent child up to a maximum contribution per family of £45 per month (x10).

## **ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR ENTRY INTO YEAR 8**

### **Functions of the Board of Governors in Relation to Admissions to the School**

In approving the admissions criteria, the Board of Governors has delegated responsibility for admissions to a sub-committee of the Board, which includes the Principal.

### **ADMISSIONS PROCESS and ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR YEAR 8 – SCHOOL YEAR 2021/22**

After consideration of claims for Special Provision, 156 places in Year 8 will be allocated to pupils by applying progressively the criteria below, which will be applied to each child solely on the basis of the information provided on, or attached to, the Transfer Form.

1. Children who, when the AQE tests were cancelled on 13/01/21, were registered to take the AQE tests in January/February 2021 (evidence of registration to be provided), or who satisfy the definition of Special Provision;
2. Children who have a child of the family enrolled at Coleraine Grammar School, or who satisfy the definition of Special Provision.
3. Children who have a child of the family who previously attended Coleraine Grammar School, Coleraine Academical Institution or Coleraine High School, or who satisfy the definition of Special Provision.
4. Children who, at the date of their application are the eldest child\* of the family to be eligible to apply for admission to Coleraine Grammar School.
5. Pupils who placed Coleraine Grammar School as 1<sup>st</sup> preference on the Transfer Form will then be selected ahead of those who did not place Coleraine Grammar School as 1<sup>st</sup> preference on the Transfer Form.
6. Children who are entitled to Free School Meals.
7. Random selection; a numbered disc representing each child's name will be placed in a 'hat', and an independent person will withdraw the required number of discs from the 'hat', under the observation of a second independent person and a school representative. Places will be allocated and a waiting list will be formed according to the order in which the discs are withdrawn.

**When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on or attached to the Transfer Form. Parents should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on the Transfer Form or attached to it.**

**In accordance with statutory requirements, when applying the admissions criteria, the Board of Governors sub-committee will select a pupil resident in Northern Ireland on 1st September 2021 before a pupil not resident at that date.**

**Number of Applications and Admissions**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Admissions No.</b>	<b>Total Applications All Preferences</b>	<b>Total Admissions</b>
<b>2017/18</b>	156	171	156
<b>2018/19</b>	156	197	156
<b>2019/20</b>	156	200	156
<b>2020/21</b>	156	191	156

This table does not include children who were admitted to the school with a statement of special educational needs, who gained a place on appeal or who gained a place by temporary variation.

\* Please see Department of Education Circular No. 2016/15 (Revised, issued 3/10/18) for guidance on the term 'eldest child'.

For Admissions Criteria for entry to Years 9 – 12, please see our website ([www.colerainegrammar.com](http://www.colerainegrammar.com)) or contact the school for further information.