

STATEMENT REGARDING THE OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION FOR ADMISSION FOR 2022

The Multi Academy Trust (MAT) Board of Yavneh College Academy Trust has recently undertaken a consultation to consider revisions to the admission arrangements for entry into Yavneh College (the "School") and Yavneh Primary School (the "Primary School") (and together the "Schools") in September 2022. We would like to thank everyone who has taken the trouble to respond to the consultation.

Following the conclusion of the consultation on 25 January 2021, the Trustees have considered the responses to the consultation and have now determined the admission arrangements for entry into the Schools in September 2022. Copies of the determined admission arrangements can be found [here](#) for YPS, [here](#) for Year 7 and [here](#) for Sixth Form.

THE FIRST PROPOSED CHANGE we consulted on was in relation the Schools' Certificate of Religious Practice (CRP) form, which is used to demonstrate eligibility for a priority faith place in the Primary School and the School.

The changes proposed were:

- To return to accepting verified synagogue attendance as a way to gain CRP points, which was not possible for admissions cycle 2021/22 while synagogues were closed during lockdown.
- To remove the exemption that applied in admissions cycle 2021/22 to the sibling of an older applicant to either the Primary School or the School who had previously demonstrated faith eligibility, (i.e. who completed a CRP form for either the Primary School or the School to which the sibling / current applicant is applying), which meant that they were not required to accrue CRP points. Siblings will return to the previously established position of needing to complete a CRP form for themselves.
- To extend the window during which CRP points can be obtained.
- To provide a number of options of dates for participation in the online CRP course.
- To require siblings of pupils attending the Schools at the deadline for application to have a minimum of four points on the School's CRP so as to be considered as a priority applicant under the sibling over-subscription criterion.

Changes to the CRP were proposed as a large group of schools under the religious authority of the Chief Rabbi of United Hebrew Congregations of the Commonwealth had amended their CRP for admissions for 2021 / 22. These amendments had been necessary due to the impact of Coronavirus on how applicants could obtain CRP points.

Further changes in the Coronavirus (Covid19) Regulations have necessitated that the CRP forms for 2022 / 2023 admissions be further amended requiring all children applying to attend a school in this group of schools under the Chief Rabbi's religious authority to have a minimum of four points on their school's CRP, where a CRP is required. The consultation to amend the Schools' CRP was coordinated by the Office of the Chief Rabbi on behalf of this group of schools that come under his religious authority.

Sixth Form

No responses were received during the consultation in relation to this proposed change.

THE SECOND PROPOSED CHANGE we consulted on was to bring the definition of children of a member of staff at the Primary School, in line with the definition of a child of a member of staff at the School. The Trustees have determined that children of members of staff shall mean a staff member who, at the time of application, has a permanent contract of employment with the Primary School and i) has been employed at the Primary School for two or more years or ii) has been recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage, and in both cases i) and ii) will be working at the Primary School in September 2022.

No responses were received during the consultation in relation to this proposed change.

THE THIRD PROPOSED CHANGE we consulted on was to make the Primary School a feeder school to the School. Children applying to the School who are on roll at the Primary School at the time of their application will need to complete a Certificate of Religious Practice (CRP) in line with other applicants.

Having considered the responses to the consultation, the Trustees of the MAT agreed that the Primary School will become a feeder school in respect of applications for admission to the School from September 2022. The Trustees of the MAT noted the concerns raised by those who responded that it would give pupils at the Primary School an unfair advantage over those not pupils at the Primary School when it came to applying for admission to the School.

In reaching their decision the Trustees of the MAT took account of the fact that pupils at the Primary School are children who at the time of admission to the Primary School are those who live the closest to the School. As a consequence, the Trustees of the MAT have determined that they are the prospective pupils most likely to gain admission into the School in the event the School is oversubscribed and therefore by making the Primary School a feeder school it will not unduly disadvantage other children seeking admission to the School who are not pupils at the Primary School at the date of their application to the School.

Accordingly, the Trustees of the MAT have decided to make the changes as per the consultations referred to above.

Please note that the Schools are required to review their admission arrangements annually.

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