

Sixth Form, Year 12 Admissions Criteria 2026-2027

Published admission number: 30 external places. If spaces remain available, this number may be increased. Please note that Year 11 students at CCS are automatically entitled to a place in Year 12, subject to the entry requirements discussed below.

Academic admissions criteria: Caroline Chisholm School Sixth Form is selective. Internal and external applicants must meet the **same** academic admissions criteria in order to be admitted to our sixth form.

Academic Entry Requirements: Each course in the sixth form has specific academic entry requirements. The minimum general academic requirements for sixth form entry are:

- 1.) A minimum of 5 GCSE Grade 5s (or equivalent) including English Literature **OR** English Language **and** Maths for Pathway 1
- 2.) A minimum of 4 GCSE Grade 4s (or equivalent) including English Literature **OR** English Language **and** Maths for Pathway 2.

In addition, students will need to meet the specified entry requirements for each individual course as detailed in our Sixth Form Course Guide. The entry criteria apply equally to internal and external applicants.

Learners with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) will be offered a place, where the school – after consultation with the Local Authority – has been named on the plan as the appropriate post-16 provision. He/she will still need to meet the minimum entry and subject specific academic requirements.

Internal Applicants: Students in Year 11 at Caroline Chisholm School are entitled to a place provided they meet the minimum entry and subject specific academic requirements.

External Applicants: All external applicants meeting the minimum entry and subject specific academic requirements and completing a sixth form application form will be offered a place unless the number applying is more than the admissions number. In the event of oversubscription, the following criteria will be used for course allocation to determine how places are offered:

Oversubscription Criteria: (for external applications only)

1. Looked after children and all previously looked after children.
2. Children of staff.
3. Students with a sibling continuing at the school at the time of the admission of the child.
4. Students who live in the linked areas of Grange Park, Wootton, Wootton Fields, St George's Fields, Courteenhall and Quinton associated with the school.
5. Other students.

Distance Tiebreaker: If the admission number is exceeded in any criterion, priority will be given to those who live closest to the school. Distances are measured, using a geographical information system, on a straight-line basis from the address point of the home address to the address point of the school. Should two distances be the same, a process of random allocation, using an online computerised randomiser, will be used.

Offer of a place: All offers are conditional upon GCSE results. Further details will be provided in the conditional offer sent to the student.

Appeals for a place in Year 12: Information about the right to appeal, the deadline for lodging an appeal and the contact details can all be found on our school website: [Caroline Chisholm School - Admissions appeals \(ccs.northants.sch.uk\)](https://www.ccs.northants.sch.uk)