



2025-2026 Admissions Policy

The parents or guardians of children who register an interest in having places in the Kindergarten/Junior School will have the names of their children included on a waiting list, where the date of receipt of their application will be recorded.

If, when the Head of the Junior School comes to make formal offers of places, there are more applications for the number of places available than can be accepted, preference will be given according to the following criteria applied in the order in which they are listed.

These statements of admission criteria have been drawn up and approved by the Board of Governors of Campbell College, which has delegated the responsibility for applying these admissions criteria to the Head of the Junior School.

Kindergarten Criteria

- i. Preference will be given first to boys who have an elder brother or brothers attending the Junior School.
- ii. Preference will be given next to those boys who have an elder brother or brothers attending the Senior School of Campbell College.
- iii. If, when those who meet this criterion have been admitted, places still remain to be filled, preference will then be given to boys who have elder brothers who are former pupils of Campbell College.

Junior School Criteria

- i. Preference will be given first to applications made on behalf of boys currently enrolled in the Kindergarten of the Junior School.
- ii. Preference will be given next to boys who have a brother or brothers attending the Junior School.
- iii. Preference will be given next to those boys who have an elder brother or brothers attending the Senior School of Campbell College.
- iv. If, when those who meet this criterion have been admitted, places still remain to be filled, preference will then be given to boys who have elder brothers who are former pupils of Campbell College.
- v. In addition, the Junior School reserves the right to assess boys whose parents wish them to attend by means of an informal interview and/or a written test taken before the proposed entry so that it can be confident that the Junior School is the appropriate environment for those wishing to be considered.

Thereafter, applications for both Junior School and Kindergarten will be assessed in chronological order and preference will be given to those boys with a Campbellian connection only within the year in which they applied (eg: a child with a Campbellian connection who applies in 2020 will not be preferred to a child whose parents applied in 2019 but has no Campbellian connection).

Preference to those boys with a Campbellian connection will be given in the following order:

- i. the sons of employees of Campbell College
- ii. the sons of former pupils of Campbell College
- iii. the grandsons of former pupils of Campbell College



Only in exceptional circumstances will Governors give approval for pupils to be admitted to Prep 6 and Prep 7 (such as children transferring from schools outside Northern Ireland).

The Board of Governors reserves the right not to admit a pupil in the exceptional circumstances that he has needs that the school is unable to meet within its current resource



Offers of places will be made not later than the end of January of the calendar year in which admission is sought. Should any places not be filled at this stage, they will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis thereafter. Should places become available due to withdrawals at a later stage, these will be allocated from any waiting list using the criteria previously noted.

It is the responsibility of parents or guardians to ensure that the information they provide in support of their applications for places is true and accurate.

Where it is not clear about any statements made by parents or guardians in support of their applications for places, the Board of Governors reserves the right to ask the parents or guardians making these statements to provide sufficient evidence to verify them and, if such evidence is not provided or is not sufficient to verify the statements, to regard the application as null and void.

If, when any of the criteria set out above have been applied, there are more applications which meet the criterion concerned than there are places available, decisions about which boys are to be admitted will be made according to the date on which their completed application forms were recorded as having been received, those with earlier dates being given preference over those with later dates until all the available places have been filled.

Where applications are made for places in other years of the Junior School than Prep 1, and there are vacancies which the Junior School wishes to fill, the parents or guardians of boys who wish to be considered for admission will be asked to provide copies of recent reports from the schools from which their sons wish to transfer; and bring their sons, if asked, to attend the Junior School for informal interviews and/or written tests. The Head of Junior School may choose to make contact with previous schools for clarification of written reports.

It may be possible, if there are places available, for some girls to be admitted to the Kindergarten at the discretion of the Head of the Junior School: if there are places available for girls and there are more applications for these places than the Junior School can meet, the criteria for admissions set out above will be applied.