

Admissions Policy

Governing the entry of students into College in September 2027

- 1 Reigate College aims to provide high quality education in a supportive community (see note i).
- 2 The College's success is based on students following a full-time programme of academic **and** enrichment courses. All students who apply to enter Lower Sixth (Year 12) (see note ii), must follow a study programme consisting of three or four subject options (at A Level or equivalent and/or GCSE or equivalent), alongside the entitlement programme of tutorial guidance and activities. All courses must be studied at the College.
- 3 The minimum entry requirements for a Level 3 programme of study are five grade 4s or higher at GCSE (GCSE equivalent courses must be at Level 2 Merit or higher). Some courses carry additional entry requirements beyond the forementioned (published on the College's website), which must be met for them to be studied.
- 4 The College will process applications received on and before, the **1 November 2026**, in the following order (see note iii):
 - a) Applicants from the College's seven partner schools, namely: Carrington, de Stafford, Merstham Park, Oakwood, Reigate, The Beacon and The Priory (CofE) Schools.
 - b) Applicants from non-partner schools that comprise the South East Surrey quadrant, namely: Oxted, Royal Alexandra and Albert, St Andrew's (RC), St Bede's, Sunnysdown, The Ashcombe, Therfield and Warlingham Schools.
 - c) Applicants from state funded 11-16 schools (without a sixth form) in the counties of Surrey and Sussex and the London Borough of Croydon.
 - d) Applicants who are siblings of past or current students (see note iv) or children of permanent employees (see note v).
 - e) Applicants whose regular home is in the Borough of Reigate and Banstead.
 - f) Applicants from state funded schools within the Administrative County of Surrey.
 - g) Applicants from independent secondary schools located in the boroughs of Reigate and Banstead, Mole Valley and Tandridge.
 - h) Applicants from the following secondary schools: Oaks Park High, Riddlesdown Collegiate and Woodcote High.
 - i) Applicants from the following secondary schools: Coloma Convent, Coombe Wood School, Harris Academy (Purley), Harris Academy (Sutton), St Philomena's, The Brit School, The John Fisher and Thomas More Schools.
 - j) Applications from other students.

Where the College is due to become full within the next category (4a to 4j), applications will be considered from that next category in date received order.

- 5 Students will be offered a place at the College if:
 - a) There is a place available on an appropriate study programme.
 - b) The applicant meets the entry requirements for that study programme.
 - c) An excellent reference is received from the applicant's last school or employer.
 - d) The applicant can demonstrate an excellent record of attendance and punctuality of 95% or above, in person, whether full time at school or work and subject to a consideration of any certified medical evidence (see note v).
 - e) The applicant's school report demonstrates high levels of effort and a positive attitude to learning, indicating the capacity for sustained hard work necessary for success at the College.
 - f) The applicant attends an interview at the College, during which they demonstrate the motivation and readiness required to succeed in a post-16 environment and agree on an appropriate programme of study.
 - g) All offers are subject to meeting the entry requirements outlined in points 3 and 4 above.

- 6 The College does not automatically receive Government funding for a student retaking a year or a subject. Students who have already completed a Lower Sixth Level 3 programme at another educational institution will only be considered under exceptional circumstances to join the College as a Lower Sixth student. These will be circumstances that are outside of the control of the student or their past institution, such as a period of long-term sickness. A student will need documented evidence to prove the circumstances.
- 7 Although in recent years the College has been oversubscribed, it will continue to accept applications throughout the year. Once the College has offered all its available places, applicants will only be called for interview as full-time places on their required courses become available and priority will be given to siblings of past or current students and those applicants who most completely demonstrate that they meet the requirements in 5a to 5g above.
- 8 Applicants with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) are considered through consultation with the relevant Local Authority in accordance with the SEND Code of Practice.

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Notes

- i. The College complies in full with the Equality Act 2010.
- ii. The College is unable to consider part-time or direct entrants to Upper Sixth (Year 13).
- iii. Where the College is unable, due to oversubscription, to process all applications in any one of the ten 'bulleted' categories shown section 4 above, applicants in this category will be considered in application date order.
- iv. A sibling is a brother or sister who attended the College for at least one academic year in the five years prior to their proposed date of entry.
- v. Children of permanent employees are defined as applicants whose parent or legal guardian is employed by the Reigate Learning Alliance and deployed to work at Reigate College on a permanent contract at the time of the application deadline.
- vi. Where 'in person' education has not been possible due to a disability, the applicant must demonstrate elements of 'in person' education, in addition to certified medical evidence.