

**NEWPORT GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL**  
***ACADEMY TRUST***



**ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS**

**ENTRY 2018**

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Newport Girls' High School, Academy Trust (NGHS) is a non fee-paying, 11-18 grammar school in Newport, Shropshire. Only girls are admitted to the school and there is no charge or cost related to the admission of a child to the school.

The school is an Academy and so the Governors, not the Local Authority, are responsible for the admission arrangements.

The school does have a defined catchment area and in Year 7 priority is given to girls from the Newport area, but places are also awarded to girls from outside the immediate area. *By definition 'Newport Area Girls' are those girls who normally reside in the catchment area as detailed on the map kept in the school office and also available to view on our website. A copy of this map is also kept by the LA at the Civic Offices in Telford.*

### Year 7 Entry for September 2018

1. Parents who wish to apply to NGHS will need to complete an on-line test registration form for the Consortium of Grammar Schools in Shropshire, Walsall and Wolverhampton which can be accessed on-line via the school's website ([www.nghs.org.uk](http://www.nghs.org.uk)). Any queries should be made to the school's Admissions Manager by:

- Emailing the school: [schooloffice@nghs.org.uk](mailto:schooloffice@nghs.org.uk)
- Phoning the school: 01952 797550
- Writing to the school:           Admissions  
  Newport Girls' High School  
  Wellington Road  
  Newport  
  Shropshire  
  TF10 7HL

### Important dates:

<b>10<sup>th</sup> May 2017</b>	<b>Open Day and Evening (9.30am – 12.00pm and 4.00pm – 7.00pm)</b>
<b>30<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b>	<b>4.00pm deadline to submit online registration form. Anyone applying after this date will need to contact the School to be able to submit an application.</b>
<b>18<sup>th</sup> September 2017</b>	<b>Entrance Test</b>

For admission to Year 7 the school will be participating in the co-ordinated inter-LA admissions scheme for state secondary schools. **All applicants for admission to NGHS must name the school on their home LA preference form** and return it to their home LA by the appropriate deadline.

The outcome of the test will be sent to all applicants before the LA preference form completion deadline.

Further details on the application process and arrangements can be found in the leaflet '**Information for Admission to Year 7 in September 2018**'.

2. After the school has received the test standardised scores from the independent marker, a selection panel will meet. This panel consists of the Headteacher of NGHS, the Headteacher of Burton Borough School, LA representatives and Primary Headteachers from another part of Shropshire.
3. **NEWPORT AREA GIRLS ARE CONSIDERED FIRST**  
Consideration is given to the standardised test scores and a selection of current work of the in-area girls around the borderline and/or a piece of free writing. Places are allocated to all in-area girls whom the panel assesses as being of the required ability. **If all 84 places are allocated, the procedure stops here.** If there are more Newport area girls considered suitable for a place at Newport Girls' High School than there are places available, the 84 places will be allocated to those girls considered to be most suitable, in the opinion of the selection panel.

Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children will be given the same priority treatment as in-area girls.

#### **LOCAL AUTHORITY GUIDANCE – LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN**

All admission authorities will apply the following definitions in the case of a Looked After or previously Looked After child and home address:

Looked After Children are those children who are the subject of a court order and the local authority share parental responsibility with the natural parents, or others who hold parental responsibility; and children who are looked after by the local authority under a voluntary agreement with the parent. Looked After Children will include those children who were previously looked after, but ceased to be so, because they were adopted from care (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order).

A child's home address will be the normal residence of the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) who has care of the child. Where a child lives with parents with shared parental responsibility, each for part of the week, the home address will be considered to be the address of the parent where the child spends most time. If time is spent equally between the two parents, the home address will be taken to be the address registered to receive child benefit in respect of the child. In the event of shared care, parents must opt to use one address for all the preferences expressed.

4. If there are spare places at the end of step 3, consideration is given to out-of-area candidates. Here, the decision is taken based solely on the rank order of the standardised test scores. Places are allocated up to a total of 84.

Parents out-of-area should, however, appreciate that they will be expected to arrange and pay for transport. In recent years transport for the out-of-area pupils at the Newport secondary schools has been arranged by groups of parents, and buses now operate from Telford Town Centre/Wellington, Albrighton and Market Drayton. Public services are available from Shrewsbury, Newcastle and Stafford. Details about travel can be obtained from the school office.

5. A waiting list of suitable candidates, in priority order, is kept in case one or more of the original 84 girls rejects the offer. This list is kept open for the academic year of entry until the end of the Summer term. To remain on the waiting list after Year 7, a Supplementary Information Form needs to be completed each subsequent academic year.
6. The decisions for all candidates are issued by the LA on the same day, by email or by second class post sent around the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018.

### **Years 7 - 10, In-Year applications after the original Year 7 entry procedures:**

In the first instance candidates will need to complete a Supplementary Information Form to be placed on our waiting list (see 5 above).

If a place becomes available in Years 7 – 10, candidates will be contacted and invited to sit the entrance test. Candidates must not have sat the test on a previous occasion within the Consortium (Newport Girls' High School, Queen Mary's High School and Wolverhampton Girls' High School). Candidates will be asked to bring their current school books, especially for maths, English and science, together with their most recent school report.

The test paper is marked by an independent assessor and the standardised results are considered together with the samples of work when awarding a place.

### **Post-16 Entry:**

Post-16 education is open to students from any secondary school and is not restricted by area of residence. The entry criterion is six GCSEs at levels 9 – 5 (grades A\* - B) with a minimum point score of 48 from eight subjects (where a level 9 = 9 points etc). This must include English Language and mathematics. A minimum of level 6 (grade B) will be required at GCSE in the individual subjects to be studied at A level. In specific subjects level 7+ will be required. Please see specific subject details. We will always consider special circumstances. Applications are made direct to the school and the application form, prospectus and subject details are available on our website ([www.nghs.org.uk](http://www.nghs.org.uk)).

Prospective pupils and their parents are always welcome to visit the school, and there is an annual **Open Day and Evening** on **10<sup>th</sup> May 2017** as well as a **Sixth Form Open Evening** in the Autumn Term 2017.