

ADMISSIONS PRIORITIES & TIMES

▪ Re-admissions

Students are eligible for re-registration for the next academic year, unless there are significant behavioural issues. Fees must be up to date to enable re-registration. In accordance with Policy 50, Article 55 of the Regulations of Private Schools, unacceptable behaviour includes, but is not limited to, using abusive or inappropriate language, vandalism, cheating, fighting and/or bullying, and persistent truancy.

▪ Siblings

Siblings of current students are given priority if the year group is at capacity.

▪ Staff Children

Staff children are guaranteed a school place, subject to the terms of our admissions policy, but must still complete an enrolment form and supply requested documentation.

▪ Waiting Lists

Where a year group is at capacity, a child may be placed on the waiting list. The parent will be contacted if and when a place becomes available, and if a place is offered it must be accepted or declined within 1 week.

▪ Applications for Next Academic Year

These can be made at any time, and admissions assessments begin in January for the following September. The admissions team will try to respond to your application within 5 working days.

ACCEPTING AN OFFER & REGISTRATION

Once a place is offered we request that you accept or decline within 7 days. Any missing documents will be requested from you and you will confirm enrolment with our Registrar, before meeting with our Finance Office. Your child's place in the school is only confirmed once we have received all your documents and payment of the registration fee.

PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS AFTER ENROLMENT

Reach British School places students in the correct year group in accordance with their age on 1st September. To maintain equality and diversity in our classes, and to allow students to better support each other's academic and social development, we place children in class by considering nationality, language ability, gender, and additional learning needs.

▪ Nationality

Reach British School operates a fair and non-discriminatory approach to selection of students, to enable a diverse and rich cultural experience for all children and members of the school community.

▪ Gender

Reach British School is currently co-educational through most of the Primary and all of Secondary, and it is planned to have a fully co-educational Primary school by the 2018/19 academic year. The school tries to maintain a 50:50 boy girl ratio. This policy is reviewed on an annual basis by the School Principal and the Head of Admissions. This will be updated should new policies issues by the Abu Dhabi Education Council.

▪ English Language

Reach British School delivers the National Curriculum for England to students in English. Language proficiency in early years is not used as an indication for admissions. In primary and secondary, language proficiency is assessed to ensure students can access the curriculum, in order to progress to the best of their ability in our school.

▪ Additional Learning Requirements

Reach British School is an inclusive school for gifted and talented students and students with special educational needs, offering additional learning support where we can help the child to progress. We do expect parents to be honest regarding additional learning support requirements, and request copies of all external documents such as professional assessments, individual learning plans, and one to one learning requirements. Extra learning support may incur additional costs to the parents.

▪ Siblings

Reach British School celebrates and respects the individuality of each child. We will always call our multiple birth children by name and will avoid referring to them as 'the twins', taking care in assessing multiple birth children individually, taking account that they may have different learning and development needs and that one may require specific intervention. Where possible, siblings will be placed in different classes.

▪ Behaviour

Reach British School believes that good student behaviour is fundamental in enabling the best learning experience possible, and all students enrolled at the school should have a positive attitude to learning, and respect for the school community. Registration and re-registration is offered as long as there are no behaviour issues that justify refusal.

▪ Medical Records

The School requires current and accurate information regarding your child's medical requirements, and that you update the School should the circumstances change. We require records of previous medical treatments, allergies, and immunization records on registration.

▪ Class Capacity

Class sizes will not exceed 25 students in early years, and will not exceed 25 in the rest of the school unless in exceptional circumstances.

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