

Integrated College Glengormley

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Controlled Secondary School

Age Range of pupils: 11-18 years

Admissions No: 210

Enrolment No: 1250

Open Evening

Open Evening will take place on Wednesday 10th January 2024

Meaning of 'Integrated Education' according to the Integrated Education Act 2022

Integrated education means the education together, in an integrated school, of

- (a) Those of different cultures and religious beliefs and none, including reasonable numbers of both Protestant and Roman Catholic children or young persons;
- (b) Those who are experiencing socio-economic deprivation and those who are not; and
- (c) Those of different abilities.

An 'Integrated school' is a school which –

- (a) Intentionally supports, protects and advances an ethos of diversity, respect and understanding between those of different cultures and religious beliefs and none, between those of different socio-economic backgrounds and between those of different abilities, and
- (b) Has acquired –
 - a. Grant-maintained integrated status, or
 - b. Controlled integrated status under the Education Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 1989.

Respective functions of the Board of Governors and Principal in relation to Admissions to the school

Applications criteria have been formulated by the Board of Governors and the application of the criteria has been delegated to the Principal.

The Board of Governors consider that it is the responsibility of parents to ensure that all relevant information is submitted to the school on the Transfer Application. When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on or attached within the online application form. Parents should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on the application form or electronically attached within the online portal. In the absence of information Governors may assume that the relevant criterion is not satisfied. The Governors reserve the right to seek verification of any information and to withdraw a place awarded on the basis of inaccurate information.

Admissions Policy

The aim of the Admissions Policy is to achieve as even a balance as possible in the intake with regards to religious denomination. The Board of Governors will seek to reflect, in the total number of pupils admitted in the next academic year, a balance amongst all traditions, aiming for:

- 40% Protestant traditions,
- 40% Roman Catholic traditions,
- And 20% from 'none/other'.

In order to achieve this aim, Integrated College Glengormley will reserve a maximum of 20% of places for pupils from traditions other than Protestant and Roman Catholic, or those stating "none", including those indicating "mixed marriage" within the Admissions Criteria Notes on the application. 40% will be initially allocated for those of the Protestant tradition and 40% for those of the Roman Catholic tradition.

The criteria detailed below will be applied initially to those indicating "none/other" on the application in the order set down, and an initial maximum of 20% of available places will be awarded to this group. In the event of less than 20% of places being awarded in this group, any remaining places will be divided equally between applicants stating

Protestant or Roman Catholic religious communities. In the event of an odd number of places remaining in the division, an additional place will be allocated to the main religious community which has the greater number of applicants. The criteria will then be applied separately to applicants from the Protestant and Roman Catholic religious communities. In the event of there being fewer applicants from either community than there are places available for that community then the remaining places will be divided equally between applicants in the other two groups, if there is demand. In the event of an odd number of places remaining in the division, an additional place will be allocated to the group which has the greater number of applicants unplaced. Should all applicants be placed within two groups, all remaining allocation will transfer to the remaining group.

The religious affiliation of the pupil will be decided by either: (a) Information supplied by the applicant's parent/carer in writing to Integrated College Glengormley; or (b) The religious affiliation; or (c) The category of primary school which the pupil attended i.e. without further information supplied by the applicant's parent/carer, the applicant will be deemed Protestant if he / she is transferring from a controlled primary school; Roman Catholic if he / she is transferring from a maintained primary school, or Other if he / she is transferring from an integrated primary school.

Please note: When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on, or attached within the online Transfer Application. Parents / carers should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on Transfer Application or attached and uploaded within the online portal. Examples of such information include whether the child, at the date of application, has or has had within the last 5 years, a child of the family enrolled in Integrated College Glengormley (and the former Glengormley High School).

Both punctual and late applications will be treated equally.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

In the event of there being more applications than there are places available, the following criteria will be applied in the order set down:

1. Children transferring from a grant maintained integrated primary school or a controlled integrated primary school (as defined in the Integrated Education Act 2022).
2. Applicants who, at the date of application, have or have had within the last 5 years, a 'child of the family' enrolled in Integrated College Glengormley (and the former Glengormley High School). (Name/s must be indicated within the online transfer application).
3. Those who are resident in any of the postal districts BT14, BT15, BT29, BT36, BT37, BT38, BT39 or BT41 at the date of application.
4. Other applicants

In the event of a tie occurring at any of the stages 1, 2, 3, 4, in the order set down, priority will be determined according to the following sub-criteria in the order set down:

- a) Priority in the application process is given to applicants who place Integrated College Glengormley at a **higher preference**, with preference one taking precedence over preference two, and so on.
- b) The initial letter of the surname as set out below:

F M c B K D I N T H Q E J P C S R U L W Mac Z A M O G V Y X

The order was determined by a random selection of letters and is revised annually. In the event of surnames beginning with the same initial letter, the subsequent letters of the surname will be used in alphabetical order. Where there are two identical surnames, the alphabetical randomised order of the initials of the forenames will be used, and thereafter the subsequent letters of the forename will be used in alphabetical order.

- c) If there are still too many applicants for the last remaining place(s), preference will be based on the chronological order of the pupils' dates of birth (oldest first).

DUTY TO VERIFY

The Board of Governors reserves the right to request such supplementary evidence as it may require to support or verify information within any applicant's online transfer application. If the requested evidence is not provided to the Board of Governors by the deadline given, this will result in the withdrawal of an offer of a place. Similarly, if information is supplied which appears to be false or misleading in any material way, the offer of a place will be withdrawn.

ADMISSIONS TO YEAR 8 AFTER 1 SEPTEMBER 2024

Parents/carers, who wish to have their child considered for admission in the event of a place arising after 1st September 2024, should write to the Principal clearly stating this. Acknowledgement will be issued. The above criteria will be applied to these applications only in the event of such a vacancy arising.

Please note that rank order on the waiting list is not determined by the date the applicant joined the waiting list. When space becomes available, the admissions criteria policy will be applied to all open applications. These applications will remain open until 1st May that academic year at which point the application is deemed to have lapsed.

Number of Applications and Admissions

Year	Admissions No.	Total Applications All Preferences	Total Admissions
*2021/22	210	188	175
**2022/23	210	210	210
**2023/24	210	210	210

* The academic year 2021/22 reflects the enrolment for Glengormley High School.

** The 2022/23 and 2023/24 academic years reflects the enrolment for Integrated College Glengormley.

This table does not include children who were admitted to the school with a statement of special educational needs.

The criteria for admission to years 9 onwards is available from the school office.