

Sixth Form Admissions Policy 2024-25

Oasis Academy South Bank Sixth Form has capacity for 150 students across two-year groups. The admission number for entry to Year 12 is 80, minus those students eligible to transfer from Oasis South Bank's own Year 11.

All students must meet the minimum entrance requirements.

Students wishing to study 4 A-levels will need an average (mean) GCSE score of above Grade 7. If you apply for four A-levels and you do not achieve a mean above Grade 7 you will be required to drop to 3 A-levels in order to accept your place, although we will only guarantee your offer based on the A-levels you put on your application.

Students that meet the Minimum Admissions Criteria of their conditional offer will be admitted according to the criteria below:

- a. Students who have a Statement of Special Educational Needs or EHCP where the school is named in the EHCP and where the Academy can best meet the needs of the student.
- b. Students who are Looked After Children or previously Looked After Children. A looked after child is a child in the care of the Local Authority or provided with accommodation by the Local Authority (as defined in Section 22 of the Children Act 1989) at the time of application. Previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order of special guardianship order).
- c. Students that studied at Oasis Academy South Bank in years 7 to 11.
- d. External students that sat GCSE exams at another Oasis Academy.
- e. External Students that have submitted a complete application form, including a verified reference and predicted grades.
- f. Students who are not separated by criteria a-e will be separated by the distance they live from the school. Distance-as measured by a straight line between the child's home and the school the measurements will be done by computerised mapping system, from the child's home to the school. The child's home address will be considered to be where the child spends the majority of the school week.

Exceptional Circumstances will always be considered and are at the discretion of the admissions team. For Exceptional Circumstances to apply we will request evidence from the student and school that indicates an ability to cope with the demands of A-Level. Previously, Exceptional Circumstances were applied to recent immigrants, students with refugee status, and for reasons of physical health and mental health.

If any applications are made after the deadline, they will only be considered if space remains in the Sixth Form. Students making late applications should be aware that spaces may only be available on a limited number of courses. There is no guarantee that a late application will receive an offer.

The admissions team will allocate places on oversubscribed courses, in priority order, to those students (both internal and external) with the highest point score in their seven best GCSEs, which must include English and Maths. Students meeting the minimum academic entry requirements, to whom we are unable to offer places on their chosen courses, will be offered alternatives where possible. Students, both internal and external, will be offered a meeting before deciding their options.

Conditional Offers Applicants will be notified of conditional offers in February, unsuccessful applicants will also be notified during this time.

Appeals Students that are not offered a place at Oasis Academy South Bank Sixth Form have the right to appeal to an independent panel. All appeals must be made in writing to sixthform@oasisouthbank.org before 1st September 2023, or within 3 working days of receiving a rejection if after this date. Appeals will be heard by the end of September 2023.

Subject Requirements

All students must achieve:

- Grades 5 in English Language or English Literature
- Grade 5 in Maths
- Average GCSE Grade of 5.5.

They must also achieve the grades below for their specific courses:

| Course | Minimum GCSE Grade Required |
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| English Literature (A Level) | 6 in English Literature |
| Maths (A Level) | 7 in Maths (6 in Further Maths GCSE if available to you) |
| Biology (A Level) | 6 in Biology or 7,6 in dual award, and 6 in Maths |
| Chemistry (A Level) | 6 in Chemistry or 7,6 in dual award, and 6 in Maths |
| Physics (A Level) | 7 in Physics or 7,6 in dual award, and 6 in Maths |
| French (A Level) | 6 in French, or native speaker at home able to read and write. |
| Spanish (A Level) | 6 in Spanish, or native speaker at home able to read and write. |
| History (A Level) | 6 in History or 7 in other Humanity and 7 in English Literature. |
| Geography (A Level) | 6 in Geography or 6 in other Humanity and 6 in English Literature. |
| Further Maths (A Level) | 8 in Maths (7 in Further Maths GCSE if available to you) |
| Economics (A Level) | 6 in Maths and 6 in English |
| Psychology (A Level) | 6 in English Language or Literature, and (6,6 in Dual Award Science, or 6 in Biology) |

'Progression from Year 12 to Year 13:

Students are expected to attain CCC at least in their Year 12 End of Year Exams. This is because without the necessary foundational knowledge, students aren't likely to achieve their full potential in Y13.

In the case that a student doesn't attain CCC, after all the support offered to them across Year 12, we will meet with the student and their parent to discuss the best possible option for them going forward. In these options have included

-A robust catch-up plan and resitting End of Year 12 assessments in September



Switching Y12 in new subjects

- Applying for foundational courses only at university
- Securing a work placement.

This is dependent on the career the student wants to pursue and what all parties feel is in their best interests.