

ADMISSIONS

POLICY

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February 2024		

INTRODUCTION

Grange School is a special school which provides 220 (2021) day places for 3-19 year old pupils in an environment where pupils with a diagnosis of Autism and an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP), detailing additional learning difficulties (e.g. SLD). All pupils must have an EHCP naming Grange School.

The carefully planned environment and engaging, personalised curriculum on offer is designed to meet the needs of students with Autism and Severe Learning Difficulties.

At Grange we offer a carefully planned and thought out curriculum, that moves the pupils through the National Curriculum key stages developing key skills in all areas. Pupils develop independence and life skills as part of their learning through simulated and real life experiences. Effective and strong links are forged with the local community.

For further information on our school, and the process for obtaining a place here contact Manchester City Council Admissions 0161 245 7166.

Other school policies and further information can be found on the school website: <http://www.grange.manchester.sch.uk/>

In the process of considering naming Grange in a plan the LA must consult with the school and the school will consider the appropriateness of the placement for an individual and would also ensure that naming a child for Grange would be in the best interests of the children and whether the school could meet their needs. The final decision on the school to be named rests with the local authority responsible for maintaining the statement.

We can only accept referrals from Local Authorities (LA). Whilst parents are welcome to visit the school and can be provided with information about the school, the school cannot proceed to the admissions stage without local authority support. Parents wishing their children to benefit from our provision should ask their local authority to name our school in their child's EHCP.

TRIBUNALS

Although parents can indicate to their local authority the school of preference to be named the authority may not agree with the placement identified. In such circumstances parents have the right of appeal to the First-tier Tribunal (SEN & Disability). The school will adhere to LA decisions.

PRIVATE FUNDING OF PLACES

Grange is unable to offer places to families who wish to independently fund the placement.

COMMUNICATION AND CONFIDENTIALITY

All information relating to the proposed placement of any individual are confidential. There will be open and regular communication with relatives, carers and advocates, which acknowledge and respect the needs of each user.

The school will liaise with the local authority to ensure they are kept up to date.