



Arrangements for the Admission of Pupils to THE CARDINAL WISEMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL.



SIXTH FORM OVERSUBSCRIPTION CRITERIA 2026-2027

Application forms for entry to the Cardinal Wiseman Sixth Form can be obtained from the main school office and from the Sixth Form Centre. Completed application forms should be returned to the Sixth Form Centre by the closing date as appears on the application form. Applications are welcome from all faith backgrounds.

'As a Catholic school, we aim to provide a Catholic education for all our pupils. At a catholic school, Catholic doctrine and practice permeate every aspect of the school's activity. It is essential that the catholic character of the schools education is fully supported by all families in the school. All applicants are therefore expected to give their full, unreserved and positive support for the aims and ethos of the school.'

Year 12

The school has an agreed capacity of 250 students in Year 12. Places will be offered first in descending order as outlined below:

1. Catholic Looked after children who meet the Entry Requirements. Catholic looked after Children and Catholic children who have been adopted (or made subject to residence orders or special guardianship orders) immediately following having been looked after.
2. Students who are on roll at Cardinal Wiseman School at the end of the academic year immediately preceding the proposed date of entry into the Sixth Form who meet the Entry Requirements.
3. Students from schools other than Cardinal Wiseman School who meet the Entry Requirements. Priority will be given to Catholic applicants whose application is supported by a baptismal certificate. The Published Admissions Number is 10. A minimum number of 10 external applicants will be admitted each year.

(Catholic means a member of a church in full communion with the See of Rome. This includes the Eastern Catholic Churches. This will normally be evidenced for a child by a certificate of baptism in a Catholic church or a certificate of reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church.)

Year 12 Entry Requirements

Students must meet the **minimum** entry requirements for Year 12: **Four individual GCSE passes in any subject, including English Language. A pass is considered as a numerical grade 4 or an A*-C (where still applicable).**

Students must additionally meet the individual subject specific criteria as published in the Sixth Form Prospectus and Course Guide.

Tie Break

In the case of over-subscription in any category, priority will be given to students whose parents/legal guardians' residential address is the shortest distance from the main gates of The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School in Greenford Road. If 2 or more students have equal priority after applying all the criteria then a drawing of lots will determine who gains the place (witnessed by an independent observer). Unsuccessful applicants will be informed of their right to appeal against the decision and of how to appeal.

Late Applications

Applications received after 16th December 2025 will be considered as late applications and will not be dealt with until after all the on-time applications have been considered.

Requirements for progression from year 12 into year 13

- Achieve a minimum of three D grades (or equivalent) in their Year 12 studies.
- Meet course-specific requirements as determined by the school.
- Students who do not meet these criteria may be offered alternative courses or pathways, where appropriate.
- A pass in a BTEC Level 3 course is required for progression to Year 13 in that pathway.

