



## TRINITY ACADEMY BRADFORD

### Admissions Policy and Oversubscription Criteria Admissions in the Academic Year 2021-22

#### **Policy Statement**

Trinity Academy Bradford caters for children of parents/carers who reside within the published admission area, who made a preference for Trinity Academy Bradford on the council's Common Application Form (CAF). The admission of students with an Educational Health and Care Plan are dealt with by a separate procedure and such students will be admitted to Trinity Academy Bradford if the academy is named on the statement without reference to the admission criteria.

Applications to Trinity Academy Bradford must be made on Bradford Council's Common Application Form (CAF) which must be completed and submitted by 31 October each year. Trinity Academy Bradford will hold an open evening where prospective parents/carers and students can visit. The dates of these meetings are circulated to local primary schools and published in the local press. Colleagues from Bradford Council will be in attendance to share and discuss with all interested parties, the admission area and boundaries to aid the application process.

The Published Admission Number (PAN) for students admitted to Trinity Academy Bradford Year 7 is 180. Where the number of applications is lower than the academy's published admission number, all applicants will be admitted. Where the number of preferences exceeds the number of places available, the following criteria will apply in the order set out below:

1. (a) Children who are in public care – 'Looked After' (as defined by section 22 of the Children Act 1989) or children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they became adopted or became subject to a child arrangements or special guardianship order.  
(b) Children who appear (to the admission authority of the academy) to have been in public care outside of England and ceased to be in public care as a result of being adopted.<sup>1</sup>

*<sup>1</sup> A child is regarded as having been in state care in a place outside of England if they were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society.*

2. Previously looked after children from outside of England and Wales who were adopted.

*(A 'previously looked after child' who has been in 'state care' outside of England and Wales, accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other organisation the sole or main purpose of which is to benefit society and legally adopted").*

3. Students whose exceptional social or medical reasons can only be met at Trinity Academy Bradford.

*(Students with exceptional social or medical reasons must be supported by independent professional evidence as to why the academy is the only school that can meet the child's needs for social or medical reasons, when an Education Health and Care Plan does not exist. The Trust*

*will consider all applications and evidence provided by parents and carers to decide if priority should be given).*

4. Children living in the priority area who have an older sibling at Trinity Academy Bradford who are on roll in Years 7-10 (once the Academy has filled these year groups) and who will still be attending the Academy at the time of admission, who live at the same address.

*(The terms 'sisters' and 'brothers' refers to children who reside with the same family at the same address. Children living with the same family e.g. foster children and stepsisters and brothers are also included. Home address refers to the student's permanent home at the date of admission. Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, it is for the parents to determine which address is to be used for the allocation process).*

5. Other children living in the priority area.
6. Children of staff employed by Trinity Academy Bradford.

*(A member of staff can be either a member of staff who has been employed by the Academy for two or more years at a time which the application for admission to the school is made, or a member of staff who is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage).*

7. Siblings of current students who live outside the Academy's priority area
8. Other children who live outside the Academy's priority area.

### **Random allocation**

If there are two or more students eligible for one remaining place who live equal distance from home to the Academy, then random allocation would apply. This would be administered by an independent body (Bradford Council).

### **Distance**

Where demand exceeds places in any one of the above criteria, the distance between the home and Academy, measured by a straight line, from the ordinance survey address point of the students' home to the main entrance of the Academy, will be used to decide who is to be given the place; those living nearest.

### **Arrangements for admitting students to other year groups**

Any parent or carer who would like to apply for a place at Trinity Academy Bradford at any time other than transition must complete an 'in-year common application form' which is available from Bradford Council and should be returned to them. If more applications are received than there are places available, the oversubscription criteria shall apply.

### **Appeals**

If an application for admission is turned down by the governors, parents have a right to appeal against this decision. The academy has established arrangements for appeals against non-admission. Hearings are held by an Independent Appeals Panel. Appeal forms can be obtained from Bradford Council Department of Children's Service Admissions Team. Telephone 01274 432111.