MOUNT ST MARY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Admission Arrangements for September 2005

The Governing Body will make admission to the school. The Governors will admit 180 pupils at 11+. Priority will be given to baptised Catholic children. All applicants are required to declare positive support for the aims and the ethos of the school.

In each category preference will be given to children in public care at the time of the application.

The Governing Body reserves the right to admit children with proven and exceptional needs where admission to the school might best help satisfy those needs.

Admission for Year 7 in September at Mount St Mary's High School is part of a co-ordinated scheme across the LEA, where offers are made on behalf of the Governing Body by Education Leeds. To apply for admission for a Year 7 place in September, parents will need to complete two forms – one that will be distributed by Education Leeds (Common Preference Form) and one that is obtainable only from Mount St Mary's High School (Supplementary Information Form).

Admissions for other years or Year 7 after the start of the academic year should be made on the Supplementary Information Form only, obtainable from the school.

Admission to the school will be made in accordance with stated parental preference subject to the following set of admission criteria, forming a priority order when there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Baptised Catholics who are
   - resident in one of the following Leeds Catholic parishes **St Anthony; Cathedral (St Anne); Christ the King; St Francis, Holbeck; Holy Family; St Joseph, Hunslet; Our Lady of Lourdes; St Patrick; St Peter; St Philip; St Wilfrid.**

   and
   - transferring from a Catholic Primary School serving one of the above parishes

   and
   - have a brother or sister attending Mount St Mary's Catholic High School at the time of transfer.
2. Baptised Catholics who are
   - resident in one of the above named Leeds Catholic parishes

   and
   - transferring from a Catholic Primary School serving one of the above parishes
3. Baptised Catholics who have a brother or sister attending Mount St Mary's Catholic High School at the time of transfer.
4. Baptised Catholics transferring from one of the Catholic primary schools serving the above named parishes.
5. Baptised Catholics who are resident in one of the above named Leeds Catholic parishes.
6. Other Baptised Catholics.
7. Non-Catholic children whose parents wish them to receive a Catholic Secondary Education and who are
   - resident in one of the above named Leeds Catholic parishes

   and
   - transferring from the Catholic Primary School serving one of the above parishes

   and
   - have a brother or sister attending Mount St Mary's Catholic High School at the time of transfer.

8. Non-Catholic children whose parents wish them to receive a Catholic Secondary Education and who are

   - resident in one of the above named Leeds Catholic parishes

   and

   - transferring from the Catholic Primary School serving one of the above parishes.

9. Non-Catholic children whose parents wish them to receive a Catholic Secondary Education and who have a brother or sister attending Mount St Mary's Catholic High School at the time of transfer.

10. Non-Catholic children transferring from a Catholic Primary school, and whose parents wish them to receive a Catholic Secondary Education.

11. Non-Catholic children who are baptised or full members of another Christian denomination or other faith and whose parents wish them to receive a Catholic Secondary Education.

12. Non-Catholic children resident in the above named parishes whose parents wish them to receive a Catholic Secondary Education.

13. Other Non-Catholics whose parents wish them to receive a Catholic Secondary Education.

It is the Governing Body's policy not to consider repeat applications in the same academic year, unless there has been a major relevant change in your circumstances (for example, a valid change of address).

FOOTNOTES:

- *Baptised Catholics are those who have been baptised according to the rites of the Catholic Church or who have formally been received into the Catholic Church.*
- *If any of the categories are oversubscribed a place will be allocated on a nearest to school basis as the crow flies.*
- *For admission purposes, the home address is deemed to be where a child is habitually and normally resident with his/her parent(s) or guardian(s).*
- *The address of a carer/childminder or relative who does not have parental rights under the provisions of the Children Act must not be given. The Governors reserve the right to investigate the question of residency and to amend school offers accordingly.*
- *Where the school is oversubscribed, a waiting list will operate until September 30th. Parents who wish their child's name to be put on the waiting list should contact the school for this purpose after March1st when offers for all schools are distributed by Education Leeds.*

  Places on the waiting list will be allocated according to the above admission criteria and not when names are placed on the waiting list.

RIGHT OF APPEAL

If an application for admission is refused by the Governing Body parents have the right of appeal to an independent panel. Any such appeal must be received within 21 days of the refusal and be addressed to:

The Clerk to the Appeals Panel
Committee Services
4th Floor West
Civic Hall
Leeds LS1 1UR