

## **ADMISSIONS POLICY**

Pontefract Academies Trust is the admission authority for its schools:

- Carleton Park J&I School
- Carleton Community High School
- De Lacy Primary School
- Halfpenny Lane JI&N School
- Larks Hill J&I School
- Orchard Head JI&N School
- The King's School
- The Rookeries J&I School with hearing impaired resource

The Trust is required by its funding agreement to comply with the School Admissions Code and the law relating to admissions, though the Secretary of State has the power to vary this requirement where there is demonstrable need. The purpose of the School Admissions Code is to ensure that all school places are allocated and offered in an open and fair way. The School Admissions Code has the force of law and includes a requirement to comply with associated regulations and legislation attached within it.

Objections to the admission arrangements of Academies can be made to the Schools Adjudicator whose decisions are binding and enforceable.

The Trust is responsible for arranging / providing for an appeal against refusal of a place at a school.

The Trust has agreed that it will follow the Wakefield M D Council Admissions Policy in managing its admission arrangements to ensure that the allocation of school places remains fair, clear and objective. This should enable parents to understand easily how places for each school will be allocated.

The admission numbers for the each school in the Trust are published online by Wakefield M D Council along with other state-funded schools and academies.

The Wakefield M D Council Admissions Policy and Published Admission Numbers for each of our schools can be found on the following link

<http://www.wakefield.gov.uk/residents/schools-and-children/schools/admissions/policies>