



**St. Anselm's College**  
*Edmund Rice Academy Trust*

# Entrance Examination Policy 2025-2026

## **Mission Statement:**

Our Catholic Community offers a learning environment for us to develop our God given talents and to recognize Christ amongst us. We respect the dignity of God's creation and, inspired by Gospel values, seek to serve one another.

***“During the Covid pandemic part of this policy may need to be temporarily amended or suspended by the Headmaster to comply with laws, guidelines and recommendations related to the changing circumstances of the pandemic.”***

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## Entrance Examination Policy

### Year 6/7 Transition

All students are required to sit an Entrance Examination in order to achieve a place at the College. Students must achieve the pass mark in 2 papers.

The admissions number for Year 7 is **156**

The examination consists of:	
Mathematics paper	Pass Mark of 55%
English paper	Pass Mark of 55%
Verbal Reasoning paper	Pass Mark of 118

Places are allocated according to the published criteria in the College Admissions Policy.

### In-year transfer

Students who wish to transfer to the College at any time other than during the Year 6/7 transition period are also required to sit an examination and achieve the required standard.

During Year 7	Students will sit the Entrance Examination, a pass mark of <b>75%</b> in Maths and English is required with a VR pass mark of 118. Final half term: Year 7 papers in English, Maths and Science and must achieve a Securing Grade.
During Year 8	Maths, English and Science and must achieve a Securing Grade. Final half term; Year 8 papers in English, Maths and Science. Securing Grade.
During Year 9	Maths, English and Science Securing Grade. Final half term; Year 9 papers in English, Maths and Science. Securing Grade.
During Year 10	Term 1 Maths, English and Science papers. Securing Grade Year 9.
	Term 2 Maths, English and Science papers. Mastering Grade Year 9.
	Term 3 GCSE Grade 5 in Year 10 GCSE papers in Maths, English and Science.
During Year 11	The College does not recommend the transfer of students in Year 11. Any exception to this is at the discretion of the Headteacher.

For any students who are unwell on the day of the exam and are unable to attend, the College must be informed by telephone by 8.00am and an alternative date will be arranged, provided a medical certificate is produced.

Students can only be admitted if there are places available in the relevant year group. If no places are available they would go on a waiting list for 12 months.

When there are more students who have reached the required standard than there are places available the College Admissions Policy / over subscription criteria will be applied.

If a student is unsuccessful they can re-sit an exam the following academic year (12 months after the exam).