WyreForestSchool

Admissions Policy

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As a County Council School, Wyre Forest is subject to the County's Policy on School Admissions (see www.worcestershire.gov.uk). All admissions come via County.

Wyre Forest is a Broad Spectrum Special School which caters for pupils aged 4 years to 19 years. The school is listed with the Department for Education as a Special School.

All pupils at the school have an Education, Health and Care Plan.

Priority will be given to pupils living in the County of Worcestershire who live within reasonable travelling distance of the school, e.g. Kidderminster. In addition a number of extra-district pupils from the surrounding area have and will be admitted when places are available, e.g. Dudley and Shropshire.

A significant number of pupils attend Wyre Forest School after a period in mainstream schools, whilst others have left Wyre Forest to attend mainstream or other Special schools depending on their progress and if we are no longer able to meet their needs. These decisions are made as part of the Annual Review process of the child's statement or Education, Health and Care Plan.

Parents who wish to have their child considered for admission to Wyre Forest School are urged to visit the school on one of our open events. The School would be reluctant to accept a child if the parents were unhappy with the placement. Dates for such events can be found by contacting the school office.

Before a pupil commences at Wyre Forest School, the parent(s) are required to visit briefly to furnish essential medical details and complete the necessary consent forms to enable their child to participate fully in school activities.

All pupils will be offered transport to school daily if their respective LA agrees. Pupils in Post 16 are required to pay for this. (In some situations where Wyre Forest is not considered by the LA to be the nearest suitable placement, transport may not be offered).