



Consultation document to amend Skegness Grammar School's 11+ pass mark for admission from 2019/2020

Summary

Skegness Grammar School (SGS) is proposing to change its admission criteria to a standardised 11+ pass score of 210 for all pupils.

The rationale behind this change is to ensure a larger percentage of pupils in Skegness Grammar School's surrounding area achieve the entrance criteria to gain a place at SGS.

Additional Information

Skegness Grammar School is a member of the consortium of Lincolnshire selective schools (LCGS). Pupils who sit the 11+ test and attain the qualification standard recognised by the Lincolnshire Grammar Schools Consortium (standardised score of 220 and above) are considered to have 'passed' the 11+ and have the entry requirements for all grammar schools within the consortium.

However all grammar schools have the right to determine their own selection criteria and they do. The two Boston grammar schools have an undisclosed pass mark which varies from cohort to cohort.

Skegness Grammar School currently has a standardised score of 210 for Pupil Premium students. It is proposed that the standardised score for all pupils at Skegness Grammar School is changed to 210.

The Lincolnshire consortium has carried out statistical analysis this year and concluded that there was not clear statistical correlation between academic attainment at Key Stage 4 and a high 11+ score.. See table below from the Lincolnshire Grammar School Consortium:

	KS2GPSSS_2016	KS2RGMSS_2016	KS2READFG_2016	KS2WRITSCORE	KS2MATFG_2016	11+ VR	11+ NVR	TOTAL 11+
KS2GPSSS_2016						0.509	0.183	0.413
KS2RGMSS_2016						0.612	0.378	0.590
KS2READFG_2016						0.577	0.332	0.542
KS2WRITSCORE						0.438	0.22	0.393
KS2MATFG_2016						0.472	0.381	0.508
11+ VR							0.412	0.843
11+ NVR/SR								0.838
TOTAL 11+								

By having an eligibility score of 210, Skegness Grammar School would not be lowering standards and the attainment of pupils at KS4. We would be enabling students from our surrounding area (which is a highly deprived seaside town) to access a grammar school education.

The proposed adjustment to the admission policy is therefore:

At Skegness Grammar all students will be eligible for a place with a standardised score of 210 and above.

Pupils who sit the 11+ test and attain the qualification standard recognised by the Lincolnshire Grammar Schools Consortium (standardised score of 220 and above) will also be considered as eligible to join Lincolnshire Consortium grammar schools other than Skegness Grammar School. The standardised score of 210 only enables eligibility at Skegness Grammar School.

The David Ross Education Trust welcomes feedback on the proposed changes to the admissions policy, with responses requested by Thursday 31 January 2019.

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