

	<p>The Duston School</p> <p>Policy</p>	
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<p>Rationale</p>	<p>The Duston School is an 11-18 co-educational, comprehensive Academies Enterprise Trust Academy, with designated Specialist College status in Business & Enterprise, and Science. We are one of nine secondary schools in the town of Northampton. As an Academy we are responsible for our own Admissions Authority.</p> <p>The Duston School welcomes prospective students of all abilities and operates an equal opportunity policy. The school prides itself on the advice and guidance it gives to its prospective students regarding the suitability of courses to meet their need and to help ensure success. All courses have their own specific entry criteria, as stated in course information leaflets which are available on request or at Post 16 Information Events and Parents' Evenings or from Post 16 Study area. All admissions are overseen by the Post 16 Professional Tutor and Director of Post 16.</p> <p>The admission number for September 2015 will be 200.</p>
<p>Policy Statement</p>	<p>Entry Policy to Post 16 provision</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Post 16 at The Duston School operates an open Post 16 policy. We provide courses to suit all abilities ranging from Level 2 to Level 3. 2. Students are invited to a course guidance meeting where their preferred choice of subject/pathways will be discussed. It is very important that students choose courses on which they will find success and which help them to lead to their chosen career, training or university course. Students will be asked to make provisional course choices and they will be able to reconsider their options after GCSE results are published using the curriculum blocks. 3. Students are required to attend the Transition Days in July (in year 11 after GCSE exams). 4. Applications from external candidates are welcomed. 5. For all Post 16 courses, students must demonstrate motivation and commitment and follow the Post 16 Home/School Agreement. 6. Post 16 students are expected to set high standards to the rest of the school in behaviour and attendance. 7. Post 16 students must adhere to the agreed Dress Code. 8. The school reserves the right to cancel a course if there is insufficient demand.

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<p>Oversubscription Criteria</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Students already at The Duston School who wish to continue their education to Post 16 will receive priority over external applicants. 2. Following the allocation of places to students who have a statement of special educational needs which names the school as appropriate provision, when there are more applications for places than there are places available, priority will be given in the following order: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Children in public care (looked after children) b) Students who will have an older brother or sister continuing at The Duston School at the time of admission of the younger child. c) Students who live closer to The Duston School than any other school. d) Other students. 		
<p>Other Information</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distance Tiebreaker – If the admission number is exceeded within criterion (ii) priority will be given to those who live furthest from the nearest alternative school. If the admission number is exceeded within any other criterion priority will be given to those who live closest to the school. • All students are expected to live with their parents or guardians for the duration of their course unless, in exceptional circumstances, an alternative is agreed as acceptable to the school. <p>Appeals If you are not offered a place at our school you have the right to appeal to an independent panel.</p>		
<p>Links to other policies</p>			
<p>Staff Responsible</p>	<p>NAD</p>	<p>Governors Committee Responsible</p>	<p>Standards and Well Being Committee</p>
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