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GEORGE SALTER ACADEMY

3rd November 2026

RE: Consultation on admission arrangements

Dear interested party,

I am writing to notify you of the upcoming consultation on the academy's admissions policy. The consultation period will run from Tuesday 3rd November to Tuesday 15th December 2026; during this time, parents are invited to express their views and any concerns about the proposed changes to the admission arrangements at George Salter Academy.

In accordance with the DfE's 2021 statutory 'School Admissions Code' guidance, as a school we must consult on our admission arrangements when changes are proposed, and at least once every seven years.

Changes are proposed

To this end, the following amendments to our admission arrangements have been proposed:

- As part of a review of our admissions arrangements, we are proposing to remove all references to aptitude testing from the admissions policy. This change reflects the fact that the academy no longer wishes to use aptitude tests as part of its admissions arrangements. No other changes to the admissions oversubscription criteria or admission arrangements are proposed as part of this consultation.

A full version of the proposed changes to the admission arrangements, as well as the rationale behind them, is available to view on the academy website or in hard copy from the academy reception.

In accordance with statutory DfE guidance, the consultation will run for at least six weeks and, as an interested party at George Salter Academy, we are keen to hear your views on the proposed changes therefore, we invite you to participate in the consultation if you have any concerns regarding the matter.

All responses to the consultation should be made in writing and submitted before 5pm on Tuesday 15th December 2026 to:

Mrs R Bellingham
George Salter Academy
Davey Road
West Bromwich
B70 9UW

or principal@georgesalter.com.

Please note that written responses should outline your personal details, including your name, address and relationship to the academy. You are also encouraged to provide feedback on the academy website here: https://georgesalter.com/.

At the end of the consultation period, the governing board will meet to consider responses and submit a final policy to the Ormiston Academies Trust Board of Trustees for approval.

For further information regarding the consultation process, please refer to our proposal document, copies of which can be located on the academy website or in hard copy from the academy reception. If you wish to further discuss this matter, or anything mentioned in this letter, please contact Sarah Davies on 0121 553 4665 or sarah.davies@georgesalter.com.

Yours sincerely,



Rupi Bellingham
Principal
George Salter Academy