

Friday 16 January 2015

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

Re: Admissions Policy Consultation

The Consultation with regards to changes to the Admissions Policy for admission to The UCL Academy in September 2016 is now in progress. Please see the Academy website for the full Consultation proposal, and also attached with this letter.

The Consultation commenced on 2 January 2015, and will conclude at midnight on Saturday 28 February 2015.

The rationale for the Consultation:

The Governing Body of The UCL Academy are consulting on the Academy's admissions arrangements. These arrangements are for students who will be starting secondary school in September 2016, or requesting admission to the Academy between September 2016 and July 2017.

There are two changes to the policy proposed, both of which will be considered separately by the Governing Body. The changes would do the following:

1. Ensure the siblings of Level 3 students who live outside the catchment cut-off distance do not have precedence over first born children within the catchment cut-off distance. This change would only need to be in place until our own students are in Level 3.
2. The second part of the proposed sibling criteria is an attempt to ensure that the Academy serves a local community.

The process of the Consultation:

The Consultation has been communicated by The UCL Academy as follows:

- Notification to the London Borough of Camden
- Notification to all parents, carers and guardians of the Academy by the Parent e-bulletin, the Academy website, Facebook and Twitter.

Further to the notification to the London Borough of Camden, the Consultation has been communicated by the London Borough of Camden as follows:

- Inclusion in the annual Admissions Consultation report, recipients of which are as follows:
 - o Headteachers / Principals of all schools in the borough
 - o Chair of Governors of all schools in the borough
 - o Neighbouring Councils
 - o Admissions Forum
 - o Camden Councillors
 - o Diocesan Boards

All recipients of the Consultation are welcomed to email their feedback / response to the following: consultation@uclacademy.co.uk , or by post to The UCL Academy address detailed above, marked to the attention of Louise Garcia, Clerk to the Governors.

A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document will be collated and posted in the Consultation section of the Academy website, and will be updated throughout the Consultation. Please note the FAQ will not detail the responses received to the Consultation, but will address specific questions with regards to the process. The purpose of the Consultation is to receive feedback on the proposed changes, and for the responses to then be collated and presented to the Governing Body for full consideration.

There will be no further updates throughout the Consultation period, outside of the FAQs being updated. On conclusion of the Consultation on Saturday 28 February, all responses received will be collated and presented to the Governing Body in March 2015 for full consideration. The outcome of the Consultation will then be notified to all parents by the end of March 2015 and the full report will be posted on the Academy's website

Yours sincerely,



Louise Garcia

Clerk to the Governors