

8th December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Ambitions Academies Trust invites you to take part in a consultation about a proposal to reduce the Published Admission Number (PAN) for Year 7 admission at Oak Academy from 2024.

With the construction of the new Oak Academy due to open in September 2024, the net capacity of the building will be 900 which equates to a published admission number for Year 7 reducing from our current figure of 240 to 180.

Reducing the admission number will assist the Trustees at Ambitions Academies Trust to provide a stability to their long-term planning whilst continuing to provide an appropriate number of places for future pupil numbers living in the surrounding area from 2025. Our decision to reduce numbers will have a small impact on pupil placement availability in 2024, which we recognise and will work with the local authority to overcome.

Figures below are currently calculated on Oak's PAN being 240.

Academic Year	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Year 7 PAN	2154	2154	2154	2154
Year 7 surplus	47	153	153	146
Year 7 surplus %	2%	7%	7%	7%
Surplus/deficit post PAN reduction	-13	93	93	86

This reduction in PAN will not affect the ethos or values of the current academy but will ensure that pupils receive a high quality of education and are able to access all of the new facilities that will be available.

Ambitions Academies Trust is committed to serving the local children and community and will continue to follow statutory guidance on admissions.

We are keen to hear your view on this matter and the consultation period will commence on 12th December 2022 continuing until 27th January 2023. We have attached further information which includes several frequently asked questions.

Your views are important to us. You are able to communicate your view by emailing: Hayley.richley@oak-academy.co.uk, submitting by post to Oak Academy (addressed to Mrs Richley) using the address: Duck Lane, Bournemouth, BH11 9JJ or emailing BCP at: school.admissions@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Yours Sincerely,



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