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Your ref:

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Your request for information has been considered by Warwickshire County Council under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked us:

For the years 2018- 2020, can you please provide the following information for the below Ashlawn School, Rugby Warwickshire CV22 5ET.

I understand the scores will be for 11+ stream - Grammar Stream/Session. Please also indicate the total maximum possible score.

Please be advised that it is not possible for us to calculate the highest possible standardised mark as the total score that is given to applicants is not just the raw score achieved by that student in that exam but includes other variable weightings that are a part of the copyrighted standardisation process undertaken by our test provider.

We also cannot reveal any information relating to the raw data as, for reasons of commercial interest, they will not be published and will not be released, even on request. Raw results are also exempt from being released through the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The exemption that would apply to such information would be Section 43(Commercial Interests) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption has been applied because disclosure of the information in question could prejudice a third party's commercial interests.

This is because disclosure of this information would enable both competitors and tutors to understand CEM's methods and unique selling point that has resulted in CEM achieving considerable commercial success in this market.

When applying an exemption Section 43 (Prejudicial to Commercial Interests) we are required to undertake a Public Interest Test.

The reason why the public interest favours withholding disclosure is that it is not in the public interest for the Council to deter future suppliers from bidding for future contracts as this may mean that the Council does not get the best deal and therefore is not spending public money as efficiently as it could be.

In addition, it is not in the public interest for suppliers to withhold information from future tender submissions because they are concerned about future disclosure, as this would mean the Council cannot make an informed decision when choosing a supplier and therefore may not get the best deal.

Finally, it is in the public interest to ensure fair commercial competition in a mixed economy and therefore it would not be in the public interest to affect competition by giving one potential supplier an unfair advantage.

However, the Council does recognise that there are argument(s) in favour of disclosure which are as follows:

- Transparency in respect of how the Council spends public money;
- Enabling public scrutiny in ensuring that the Council is securing the best use of public resources

Nevertheless, the Council considers that in all circumstances, on balance the public interest favours withholding the information at this time.

Therefore, please treat this response as a Public Interest Refusal Notice in accordance with Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in respect of raw data and the total maximum possible score that would be calculated from this.

However, please be advised that we will be providing a table of all of the total scores on our website after National Offer Day (1 March), so the public will be able to view the highest standardised total score for September 2021 entry then.

The highest scores that was offered and the lowest scores that was offered on National Offer Day and also the high & low scores admitted on the following Sept (Year -7)

Highest and lowest scores offered on National Offer Day for Ashlawn Selective. (Years 2018 - 2020):

2018 - High Score (HS) = 243, Low Score (LS) = 212

2019 - HS = 2 62, LS = 2 14

2020 - HS = 241, LS = 209

Also the allocation of total number of places that was offered to children in Priority area and outside priority area for the years 2018-2020.

2018 – 31 places offered all in area

2019 - 31 places offered all in area

2020 – 31 places offered all in area

Please provide the details of the highest (Greatest) distance and the Lowest (shortest) distance between school and children home address that was offered places in years 2015-2020 of the above school.

2015 – Greatest Distance (GD) = 8.08, Shortest Distance (SD) = 0.28

2016 – GD = 15.63, SD = 0.56

2017 – GD = 3.28, SD = 0.66

2018 – GD = 8.07, SD = 0.64

2019 – GD = 1.6, SD = 0.18

2020 - GD = 6.6, SD = 0.12

(All above distances in miles)

Please include How many 1st preference requests for places were made at Ashlawn school and How many children residing outside of Warwickshire were offered places for years 2018 -2020?

The number of 1st preference offers were made for Ashlawn Selective. (Years 2018 - 2020):

2018 = 23

2019 = 16

2020 = 24

The number of children living out of county who were made offers for Ashlawn Selective. (Years 2018 - 2020).

2018 = 1

2019 = 3

2020 = 2

Lastly, How many applications you receive per place for years 2015-2020.

2015 – 34 places to offer, 448 applications received

2016 – 36 places to offer, 489 applications received

2017 – 37 places to offer, 517 applications received

2018 – 31 places to offer, 528 applications received

2019 – 31 places to offer, 418 applications received

2020 – 31 places to offer, 495 applications received

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.
Phone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.org.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully

Jonathan Sheward
Information Rights Officer