January 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Admissions Procedure for Entry to Year 7 – September 2027

Your daughter is currently in Year 5 and will transfer to secondary school in September 2027. If you are considering applying to Kesteven & Grantham Girls' School (KGGS), a member of the Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools (LCGS), please read the following information carefully.

About the 11+ selection procedure

The 11+ tests are organised by the LCGS and not by the Local Authority. We use Verbal Reasoning and Non-Verbal Reasoning & Spatial Awareness papers produced specifically for the Consortium by GL Assessment (GLA).

The same tests are used across all Lincolnshire grammar schools in the Consortium and may only be taken at **one** grammar school.

- Verbal Reasoning test: Saturday 12 September 2026
- Non-Verbal Reasoning & Spatial Awareness test: Saturday 19 September 2026

Your daughter must attend both test dates.

Examination regulations (JCQ compliance)

Our 11+ tests follow JCQ examination guidelines. Please note:

- Watches (analogue, digital or smart) and countdown/count-up timers are not allowed.
- A reliable wall clock will be visible to all candidates during the test.
- Air pods and similar 'wearables' are not permitted

These regulations ensure a fair and consistent testing environment.

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Registration

If you wish your daughter to take the main 11+ selection tests in September 2026 for entry to a Lincolnshire Grammar School in September 2027, you will need to complete the online registration form by 31 March 2026. We would also ask that you read the form carefully as you may need to provide additional information if your daughter has Special Educational Needs (SEN), English as an Additional Language (EAL), medical needs or qualifies for Free School Meals (FSM).

Registration for testing is now open and closes on Tuesday 31 March 2026.

Please register online via our website 11+ Registration - Entry to Year 7 September 2027

Late registrations: While we are obliged to accept them, we cannot guarantee a place on the main test dates; late candidates may be offered an alternative date or venue. This may result in a pupil's results not being returned prior to the application deadline.

Important: Registration for testing does not constitute an application for a school place. Applications for secondary transfer are made separately through your home Local Authority in the autumn.

Access arrangements

If your daughter has Special Educational Needs (SEN), English as an Additional Language (EAL), medical needs or receives Free School Meals (FSM), please provide details during registration. This allows us to review and, where appropriate, put in place access arrangements for the tests.

Familiarisation materials

Where you consent, we will contact your daughter's primary school to provide familiarisation papers to help pupils practise the format and style of the tests. Some primary schools decline this offer; if so, equivalent guidance and resources are available on our website to ensure you can support your daughter's preparation at home. Testing Arrangements 11+ – Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools

Support for Pupil Premium students – Atom Learning

The LCGS is pleased to provide free access to Atom Learning Home (normally £575.90 per year) for all children eligible for Pupil Premium (Free school meals or free school meals in the last 6 years) — whether or not they are considering grammar school. Atom Learning provides engaging online practice to support Key Stage 2 progress and 11+ preparation.

Further details and sign-up instructions can be found at: Atom Learning – Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools

Open Events

You and your daughter are warmly invited to visit us before the tests:

- Year 5 Open Evening – Thursday 9 July 2026 5-7pm
- Parking arrangements - Please use Welham Street public car park as on-site parking is unavailable.

Please check our website for the most up-to-date information.

Local Authority secondary applications

You should then submit your secondary school application to your Local Authority by 31 October 2026 (please check if your LA sets a different closing date). Allocations will be confirmed on National Offer Day – Monday 1st March 2027.

After testing, you will receive an email with your daughter's standardised 11+ results on Friday 9 October 2026.

Key Dates Summary

- Thursday 8 January 2026 – Registration for 11+ testing opens
- Tuesday 31 March 2026 – Registration closes
- Friday 26 June 2026 – Familiarisation materials issued to primary schools
- Thursday 9 July 2026 – Year 5 Open Evening 5-7pm
- Saturday 12 September 2026 – Verbal Reasoning Test
- Saturday 19 September 2026 – Non-Verbal Reasoning & Spatial Awareness Test
- Friday 9 October 2026 – 11+ results emailed to parents
- Saturday 31 October 2026 – Closing date for Lincolnshire Local Authority Applications (Out of County Closing Dates may vary)
- Monday 1 March 2027 – National Offer Day – Local Authority secondary school allocations

We recommend that you keep this list for future reference.

Further information

- LCGS 11+ Frequently Asked Questions: Selection Process FAQ – Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools
- Admissions Policy: Admissions Policies
- Atom Learning Familiarisation: Atom Learning – Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools

If you have any questions about the 11+ process, please contact 11plus@kggs.org or visit our information page Entry to Year 7 September 2027

Yours sincerely

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