| Jumeirah College Admission and Registration Policy | |
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Jumeirah College is currently accepting applications for Year groups 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 for the academic year 2027/28. Admission to the College for students in Years 7 to 12 is as per our Admissions Policy below. We do not accept admission into Years 11 and 13.

Year 7 Admissions:

Jumeirah College is rated by the Knowledge & Human Development Authority (KHDA) as an Outstanding school. In addition, the school is highly regarded by its students, parents and staff. Accordingly, there is significant demand for places in Year 7. The aim of the admissions policy is to ensure that the school selects students fairly and objectively, and they are the most able to thrive within Jumeirah College's particular approach to student achievement.

1. Jumeirah College is an inclusive school, and we actively welcome applications from students with different strengths and areas for development. All students will be supported fully if successful. Where a child has a particular learning need that would affect their ability to access the full curriculum, the capacity of both the College and Learning Support Department to support the student will be considered as a factor as to whether a place at the College can be offered. This will often follow consultation with the home Primary school.
2. All applicants will sit a Cognitive Ability Test (CAT4) at the College (or at their home school in the case of overseas students) on a published agreed date. Projected attainment and school reports will be collected from the current schools.
3. Applications can be supported so as to demonstrate excellence in pursuits beyond the curriculum such as Sport, Drama, Music and the Arts, as well as potential in global citizenship, leadership and innovation. Such supporting evidence will be taken into consideration as part of the process.
4. Any student who does not gain entry to Jumeirah College will be actively supported by GEMS Education to gain entry into one of their many excellent schools.
5. Admissions to Jumeirah College are conducted in two phases – the first for students from Jumeirah Primary School (JPS) and siblings of current Jumeirah College students and the second for all remaining

applications.

*The summary of application/close dates are as follows:*

**Year 7 Admissions**

Phase 1: Year 6 JPS and siblings of current Jumeirah College students- to avail priority placement:

- Applications will open at **8 am on Monday, 5th October 2026**
- Applications will close at **8 am on Monday, 19th October 2026**

JPS students – Assessments will be held at JPS and results will be shared with JC directly.
JC Siblings– Assessments will be held at Jumeirah College, **Thursday, 22nd October 2026**

Offers – Phase 1

Offers for successful applicants will go out week commencing 9th November 2026.

Phase 2: Non JPS students and children of Jumeirah College/JPS staff:

- Applications will open at **8 am on Monday,5th October 2026**
- Application will close at **8 am on Friday, 30th October 2026**
- Phase 2 Assessment Day will be held on **Saturday, 14th November 2026**

Offers – Phase 2

Offers for successful applicants will go out week commencing **4th January 2027**.

Due to high demand, Jumeirah College will not accept any applications after **Friday, 30th October 2026**, for **Year 7** places commencing September 2027. They will be accepted for the waiting list only.

An application fee of **AED 525** will be collected at time of application – *If your child currently attends a GEMS school, please enter your current GEMS Student ID number on your online application (field provided) to not be charged for the application fee.*

Successful applicants will be offered places in the following order of priority:

- Emirati National students
- Year 6 student at Jumeirah Primary School at time of application
- A sibling of a student already attending the College
- Son/daughter of a member of staff at Jumeirah College/Jumeirah Primary School

- Year 6 students from other schools

Should the number of applications from the first three criteria exceed the number of places available, students will then be put on a waitlist and places will be offered to those candidates when numbers allow.

**Year 8-10 Admissions (waiting list)**

Applications for year groups 8, 9 and 10 for the academic year 2027-2028 will open at **8 am, Monday, 5th October 2026**. *All applications will initially be placed on a waiting list and places cannot be guaranteed.*

All applications received by **8 am on Friday, 30th October 2026** will be invited to sit the CAT4 assessment at a later date at Jumeirah College, or online if overseas.

The Admissions team, along with the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), will assess and evaluate applications made throughout the year. Admissions will be based upon availability in the year group, specific learning requirements and the outcome of reports and test results.

The date of application is not a consideration in offer. If an offer is made, the security deposit must be paid within 10 days of the date of the offer.

**Jumeirah College Assessment and Academic Reference**

**All students applying to the College for Years 7 to 12 must complete an assessment**. The assessment is an online Cognitive Ability Assessment (CAT4). It contains Verbal, Non-verbal, Quantitative and Spatial reasoning questions and students will take between 1.5 and 2 hours to complete the assessment.

The assessment is broken up into a series of small tests. The small tests are time sensitive, and all students have the same length of time to answer the questions. Practice questions are provided at the beginning of each small test, and these are not timed or marked. All questions are multiple-choice. We ensure all students are informed of the instructions and are comfortable before starting the assessment. To ensure fairness to all our applicants, no further information can be provided about the assessment.

A Confidential Academic Reference is requested for all applicants from outside the Dubai area. On occasion, a Confidential Academic Reference can be requested for a Dubai based applicant. Jumeirah College will request the reference directly from the applicant's current school who will then return the reference to the Jumeirah College Admissions Office.

**Year 12 (Sixth Form) Entry Requirements:**

The current minimum grades a student needs to achieve as an entry requirement to Year 12 for academic year 2027-28 are: **6 passes at Grades 5-9 (C-A*) at GCSE, two of which must be English Language (as a first language) and Mathematics**.

In order to study a subject at A level, students will be expected to have gained at least a **Level 6 (B)** in that subject at GCSE. However, some subjects have higher or additional requirements. Further details can be found on the subject specific pages in the Sixth-Form Prospectus on the school website.

A confidential reference will also be obtained from the current school and selected applicants will be invited to an interview (if required).

Places are very limited and the date of application is not a consideration in offer. Students that we cannot offer initially will be placed on the waitlist. The security deposit must be paid within 10 days of the date of the offer.

**Required Documents: All year groups**

In order to make an application to Jumeirah College please complete the online application form via the website www.gemsjc.com

An application fee of **AED 525** will be collected at time of application – *If your child currently attends a GEMS school, please enter your current GEMS Student ID number on your online application (field provided) to not be charged for the application fee.*

Applications will only be accepted if the following documentation is uploaded at the time of application.

- 1 copy of the student's passport
- 1 copy of both sides of the student's UAE Emirates ID card (unless overseas applicant – this is provided once a resident of the UAE)
- 1 copy of the sponsoring parent's passport
- 1 copy of both sides of the sponsoring parent's UAE Emirates ID card (unless overseas applicant – this is provided once a resident of the UAE)
- 1 complete copy of the students' latest end of year report plus 1 complete copy of the students' previous end of year report (two reports required in total)

***Application does not guarantee your child a place.***

**Waitlist**

Once all of the available seats have been offered out, and deposits paid, in the requested year group, any unsuccessful applicant will be placed on the waitlist along with any new applications received after that date.

For a student to be placed on a waitlist, the following criteria should be met:
Application fee of 525 AED is paid
Student has completed an assessment
Required documentation has been provided

If, at the end of the admissions year, the student has not been offered a seat, the family will be contacted and offered to be rolled over to the next grade/academic year. After two years on the waiting list the application will be cancelled and the family will be required to reapply.

**Transfer Certificate/letter requirements**

Every student joining Jumeirah College must be registered with the KHDA and it is required by UAE Ministry of Education Law that they provide a leaving/transfer certificate from their last school. This is strictly enforced and failure of a student to have a properly completed certificate or a legally binding undertaking to action all the necessary documentation will result in your child's place being withdrawn. Please discuss your child's leaving/transfer certificate requirements with the Registrar as your country of origin and last school is taken into consideration.

***If transferring from another school within Dubai:***
Please inform your current school of your intention to leave. You will be required to pay a **KHDA fee of AED 126** to the school you are leaving and they will provide you with an attested KHDA certificate. Once in receipt, please submit the certificate to the Jumeirah College Admissions Team. ***The Transfer Certificate must be provided before your child can start school.***

***If transferring school from outside Dubai:***
The original Transfer Certificate/letter and relevant attestation must be obtained by yourself from your child's current school and given to Jumeirah College on arrival in Dubai. The Admissions team will provide you with more details and attestation requirements at time of offer. ***The Transfer Certificate/Letter must be provided before your child can start school.***

If you have any questions regarding the admissions process, please feel free to contact the Admissions Officer, Mrs Sally Rycroft at 04 395 5524 Ext 103 or s.rycroft_jcd@gemsedu.com