**Jumeirah College Admissions Process 2024-25**

Jumeirah College is currently accepting applications for Year groups 7 to 10 and 12 for the academic year 2024-25. 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 (CAT) 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 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, GEMS Royal Dubai School and siblings of current Jumeirah College students and the second for all remaining applications.

*The close of application dates are as follows:*

**Phase 1:** Year 6 JPS and RDS students and siblings of current Jumeirah College students- to avail priority placement, applications will open at **8 am on Monday 9th October 2023** and close at **8 am on Wednesday 18th October 2023**.
JPS students – Assessments will be held at JPS on **Monday 9th October 2023**.
RDS students – Assessments will be held at RDS, and results will be shared with JC directly.
JC Siblings– Assessments will be held at Jumeirah College, **Thursday 26th October 2023.**

**Phase 2:** Non JPS students and children of Jumeirah College/JPS staff - applications will open at **8 am on Monday 9th October 2023** and close at **8 am on Wednesday 1st November 2023.**
The assessment day will be held on **Saturday 11th November 2023** (details to be advised).

Due to high demand, Jumeirah College will not accept any applications after **Thursday 9th November 2023**, for **Year 7** places commencing September 2024.

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.*

Students successful in achieving these criteria will then be offered places in the following order of priority:

- Emirati National students
- Year 6 student at Jumeirah Primary School at time of application
- Year 6 student at GEMS Royal Dubai 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.

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Year 8-10 Admissions:

Applications to year groups 8, 9 and 10 for the academic year 2024-2025 will open at **8 am, Monday 9th October 2023**.

All applications received by **8 am on Wednesday 1st November 2023** will be invited to sit the assessment on **Saturday 11th November 2023**. Applications received after this date will be invited to attend the assessment at a later date.

The Registration 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.

Places are limited and date of application is not a consideration in offer. Students that we cannot offer immediately will be placed on the waitlist.

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 (CAT). 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.

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Sixth Form Entry Requirements:

The current minimum grades a student needs to achieve as an entry requirement to Year 12 for academic year 2024-25 are: **6 passes at Levels 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.
A confidential reference will also be obtained from the current school.

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 applicant's passport
• 1 copy of the applicant's UAE visa - (unless overseas applicant)
• 1 copy of both sides of the applicant's Emirates ID card (unless overseas applicant)
• 1 copy of the sponsor's parent's passport
• 1 copy of the sponsor parent's UAE visa (unless overseas applicant)
• 1 copy of both sides of the sponsor's Emirates ID card (unless overseas applicant)
• 1 complete copy of the applicant's latest end of year report plus 1 complete copy of the applicant's previous end of year report

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

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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 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 Registrar, Mrs. Sally Rycroft at 04 395 5524 or s.rycroft_jcd@gemsedu.com

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