



Grade VIII Admission – Competency Overview (Academic Year 2026–2027)

Dear Parent,

Admission to **Grade VIII** is based on a student's **academic readiness, conceptual understanding, and ability to apply learning across subjects**, in line with the **National Education Policy (NEP) 2020**, which emphasises **critical thinking, problem-solving, communication skills, and holistic development**.

The admission interaction is designed to be **supportive and age-appropriate**, allowing students to demonstrate their learning through reading, writing, speaking, and reasoning tasks.

We also look for evidence of **general awareness, knowledge of current affairs, positive values, and good manners**.

English: Language, Reading & Writing Competencies

We look for the student's ability to:

- Read and understand an unseen **prose passage or poem**, responding to comprehension and vocabulary-based questions
- Communicate ideas through **formal writing**, including letters to the editor, applications, and notices
- Express viewpoints through **diary entries, paragraphs, or short articles** based on visual or verbal prompts
- Use grammar concepts accurately, including:
 - nouns and pronouns
 - verbs (simple, continuous, and perfect tenses)
 - modals
 - adjectives and adverbs (degrees of comparison)
 - conjunctions, prepositions, and determiners
- Identify and use different **types of sentences** (assertive, interrogative, imperative, exclamatory)
- Apply **punctuation rules** correctly in extended writing
- Transform sentences using **reported speech and passive voice**
- Rearrange **jumbled words or sentences** to form meaningful structures
- Detect and correct **common grammatical errors**

- Participate confidently in **listening and speaking activities**, including delivering a short speech

Mathematics: Reasoning, Algebra & Problem-Solving Skills

We look for the student's ability to:

- Work with **algebraic expressions** and simplify them
- Understand and apply **exponents and powers**
- Solve problems related to **linear equations**
- Apply **mensuration concepts**, including perimeter and area
- Work confidently with **integers**
- Apply **ratio and proportion** in problem-solving situations
- Understand **lines and angles** and related properties
- Demonstrate **mental maths, logical thinking, and reasoning skills**

Science: Conceptual Understanding & Scientific Reasoning

We look for the student's understanding of key scientific concepts related to:

- **Nutrition in plants and animals**
- **Heat** and its effects
- **Acids, bases, and salts**
- **Physical and chemical changes**
- **Respiration in organisms**
- **Transportation in plants and animals**
- **Reproduction in plants**
- **Electric current and its effects**
- **Light** and its properties

Students are encouraged to explain ideas clearly, apply concepts to everyday situations, and demonstrate **scientific reasoning**.

Our Belief

The admission interaction helps us understand a student's **academic preparedness, thinking skills, and learning attitude**, ensuring readiness for the **upper middle stage and future academic challenges**.

-Principal