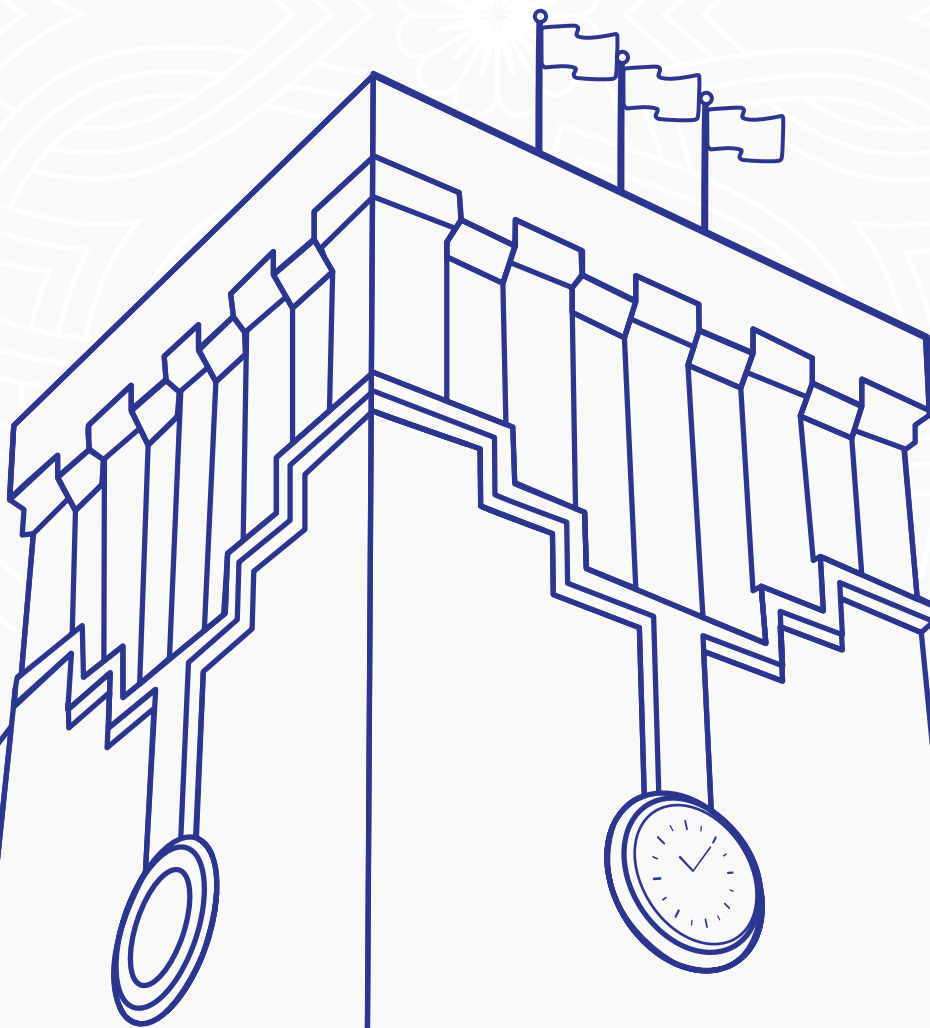


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PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSION POLICY

2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR



This document describes the primary school admission processes and selection criteria.

1. Admission to the Kindergarten

- 1.1. Children are admitted to the Kindergarten of the Primary school based on the parents' application.
- 1.2. Applications for coming academic year (September) will be accepted in April. Preference is given to children who already have a sibling in Shirakatsy Lyceum.

2. Admission to the first grade

- 2.1. Children who turn 6 years old on or before December 31 of the given year are eligible for admission to Grade 1.
- 2.2. Applications for admission are accepted from March 10 to March 24, inclusive.
- 2.3. Admission applications and submission of the required documents are carried out through the online application system (the link is available on the Lyceum's official website).
- 2.4. Admission is carried out based on the results of the child's psychological readiness for the school, conducted from the day following the application acceptance period until May 20, as well as other factors specified in Clause 6 of these Rules.
- 2.5. For children from the Lyceum Preschool, the minimum required score on the psychological readiness test is sufficient for admission. For other applicants, admission is based on the highest scores obtained in the test. In all cases, other factors outlined in Clause 2.9 of these Rules are also taken into account.
- 2.6. The number of students in Grade 1 is filled first with children from the Preschool applicants, in accordance with Clause 4 of these Rules. Remaining available places are allocated as follows:
 - 2.6.1 60% of the remaining places are reserved for children who have siblings currently enrolled at the Lyceum or whose parents are Lyceum staff, based on the test results (in accordance with Article 16, Part 1.1, Point 1 of the Law of the Republic of Armenia on General Education, giving priority to siblings/staff children).
 - 2.6.2 40% of the remaining places are allocated to children of new applicant families, based on assessment results.
- 2.7. For each group of applicants defined under Clauses 6.1 and 6.2 of these Rules, the competition is generally conducted among the children of that group, within the number of places allocated to that group. In cases where places reserved for children with siblings already enrolled at the Lyceum or children of Lyceum staff are not filled, the vacant places are allocated to

children of new applicant families. By decision of the Admissions Committee, children with siblings enrolled at the Lyceum or children of Lyceum staff may also participate in the competition conducted for applicants under Clause 8.2, within the number of places allocated to the latter group.

- 2.8. Based on the results specified in Clauses 4 and 5 of these Rules, the Admissions Committee makes the decision regarding the child's admission and the signing of a contract with the parent. The child achieving the minimum threshold on the psychological readiness test or obtaining the highest score in the assessment serves only as a guideline for the Admissions Committee.
- 2.9. When deciding on the child's admission and contract signing, the Committee also considers a number of other factors, including:
 - 2.9.1. the parent's previous compliance with obligations in contractual relations with the Lyceum and/or cooperation with the Lyceum according to the child's needs;
 - 2.9.2. availability of resources necessary to meet the educational needs determined by the child's individual characteristics.
- 2.10. If, based on the submitted application and considering the circumstances outlined in Clauses 10) and 10(b) of these Rules, the Lyceum deems the child ineligible for admission and the signing of the contract with the parent, the parent is immediately notified, and the child is not assessed. This provision does not exclude the consideration of the circumstances under Clauses 9.1 and 9.2 even after the child's test.
- 2.11. Parents of applicants who successfully pass the competitive admission stage are individually notified of the Lyceum's decision within five (5) days after the completion of all tests.
- 2.12. Applicants who meet the minimum required score on the psychological readiness test but do not pass the competitive admission are placed on the waiting list for admission and will be considered for vacant places in order of priority. Parents of these children are also individually notified of the Lyceum's decision within five (5) days after the completion of all assessments.
- 2.13. Parents whose children do not meet the minimum required score on the school readiness assessment are notified of the results on the day following the test
- 2.14. Any unforeseen issues related to the admissions process are resolved by the Admissions Committee.

3. Current admission

Current admission for 2nd-4th grades depends on the available places. In case of available places learners are admitted to 2nd-4th grades based on the parents' application, results of testing knowledge and skills upon 4 subjects (Armenian, Math, English/French/German, and Russian) and IQ test. The minimum

requirement for admission is achieving the minimum passing score on the knowledge assessment

4. Review of the Assessment Policy Document

The document is reviewed as necessary, based on the strategic goals of the Lyceum and the number of places allocated for admissions in the Primary School.