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Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools Admissions Procedure for Entry in September 2025

To Parents and Carers of Year 5 students

I am writing to Parents and Carers of all boys who are due to transfer to secondary school in September 2025 and may be considering entry to The King's School. The selection procedure will be conducted by the Lincolnshire Consortium Grammar Schools (LCGS) and not by the Local Authority. The LCGS use Verbal and Non-Verbal Reasoning & Spatial Awareness tests that are specifically produced by GL Assessment (GLA).

There will be two tests, both at the beginning of Year 6, and these tests will be administered by the grammar schools. Please note that the same tests are used in all Lincolnshire Consortium Grammar Schools and therefore may be taken only once in the school year, in preparation for application to any of the grammar schools in the LCGS. The Verbal Reasoning test will take place on Saturday 14 September 2024 and the Non-Verbal Reasoning and Spatial Awareness test will take place on Saturday 21 September 2024. Students need to attend both test days.

Please also be aware that our 11+ examinations are conducted according to JCQ guidelines (IFC document available on our Admissions page – link below). As part of these guidelines, we would like to draw your attention to the rule that **students are no longer permitted take a watch into these examinations.** Countdown or 'count up' clocks are not allowed either. A reliable clock (digital or analogue) will be visible to all candidates in the examination room.

Registration for 11+ testing opens on 5 January 2024. The registration for testing administered by The King's School is electronic and can be found from the following link <u>The King's School</u> <u>Grantham - Information on Admissions - Year 7 Entry in September 2025 (kings.lincs.sch.uk)</u>.

The website also contains details about the testing process, where to purchase practice papers and a link to our Admissions Policy. Other important information can be downloaded from the link above (a copy may also come with this letter) including:

- 1) Key Dates for Parents including deadlines for registration and application.
- 2) JCQ Information for Candidates (as mentioned above)
- 3) 11+ Frequently Asked Questions are available from: <u>The King's School Grantham</u> Admissions: Frequently asked Questions (kings.lincs.sch.uk)

Our scheduled Open Evening is on 24 June 2024. This event will give you and your son the opportunity of looking around the school prior to the tests. The evening is due to start at 6.00pm and end at 8.30pm. Parking at the School will not be available; we would be grateful that you utilise the public car parks in the town, the nearest being on Watergate. Please find updates about the Open Evening on the school website closer to the time.



If you wish your son to take the main 11+ selection tests in September 2024 for entry to a Lincolnshire Grammar School in September 2025, it is vital you complete the online registration form by 31 March 2024. We would also ask that you read the form carefully as you may need to provide additional information if your son has Special Educational Needs (SEN), English as an Additional Language (EAL), medical needs or qualifies for Free School Meals (FSM).

Please note that registration for the tests does not constitute an application to this grammar school; application is a separate process that is co-ordinated by home Local Authorities.

We recommend that you retain these details for future reference.

Yours sincerely

Simon Pickett Head Master