

Admission Criteria for Secondary Transfer 2016 to Haringey Community Co-educational Secondary Schools

Oversubscription criteria

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care plan or statement of special educational needs naming the school, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. Children in Care/ Looked After Children

Children who are looked after by a local authority or were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after, became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

2. Social Medical

Children who the Authority accepts have an exceptional medical or social need for a place at one specific school. Applications will only be considered under this category if they are supported by a written statement from a doctor, social worker or other relevant independent professional. The information must confirm the exceptional medical or social need and demonstrate how the specified school is the only school that can meet the defined needs of the child.

3. Brother or Sister

Children with a brother or sister already attending the school and who will still be attending in years 7-11 on the date of admission. This category includes foster brothers and sisters, half brothers and sisters, stepbrothers and sisters or adopted brothers and sisters. Parents should note that in all these cases, the brother or sister must be living at the same address as the child for whom the application is being made.

4. Distance

Children living closest to the preferred school.

The tie breaker for all criteria is: children living closest to the school measured in a straight line from the post office address point for the child's home, to the post office address point of the school, supplied by the Royal Mail using a computerised mapping system.

The tiebreak for two or more applications that live exactly the same distance from the school (and who are not from multiple births) will be random allocation using a computerised system.

MULTIPLE BIRTHS

If only one place is available and the next child to be offered is from a multiple birth, we will ask community schools to go over their published admission number.

Determined Admission Criteria to Hornsey School for Girls for 2016

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care plan or statement of special educational needs naming the school, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. Children in Care/Looked After Children

Girls who are looked after by a local authority or were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after, became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

2. Social Medical

Girls who the Authority accepts have an exceptional medical or social need for a place at one specific school. Applications will only be considered under this category if they are supported by a written statement from a doctor, social worker or other relevant independent professional. The information must confirm the exceptional medical or social need and demonstrate how the specified school is the only school that can meet the defined needs of the child.

3. Siblings

Girls with a sister already attending the school and who will still be attending in years 7-11 on the date of admission. This category includes foster sisters, half sisters step sisters or adopted sisters. Parents should note that in all these cases, the sister must be living at the same address as the girl for whom the application is being made.

4. Girls living in the priority area

Places will be offered to girls living in the following Wards:

Alexandra	Harringay	Northumberland Park	Tottenham Hale
Bounds Green	Highgate	Seven Sisters	West Green
Bruce Grove	Hornsey	St Ann's	White Heart Lane
Crouch End	Muswell Hill	Stroud Green	Woodside
Fortis Green	Noel Park	Tottenham Green	

Places will be offered to each Ward in proportion to the number of applications received for the School. This means that the more applications received from a Ward, the more places will be offered to girls living in that Ward.

If there are more applications from a Ward than there are places available for that Ward then the tiebreak will be girls living closest to the School.

(This criterion will only be used until 1 March 2016 and the waiting list will be maintained in distance order.)

5. All other applicants

The tie breaker for all criteria is: children living closest to the school measured in a straight line from the post office address point for the child's home, to the post office address point of the school, supplied by the Royal Mail using a computerised mapping system.

Tie breaks

The tiebreak for two or more applications that live exactly the same distance from the school (and who are not from multiple births) will be random allocation using a computerised system.

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Pan London Co-ordinated Scheme 2016/17

APPLICATIONS

1. Haringey Local Authority will advise home local authorities during the Summer Term of Year 5 of their resident pupils on the roll of Haringey's maintained primary schools and whose parents are eligible to make application in the forthcoming academic year.
2. Haringey residents can apply online at www.haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions or alternatively submit a paper application available from the School Admissions Service.
3. Haringey Local Authority will take all reasonable steps to ensure that every parent who has a child in their last year of primary education within a maintained school, either in Haringey or elsewhere, and who is resident in Haringey can be signposted to a copy of Haringey's booklet which will be available in early September 2015.
4. The booklet will also be available to parents who are non-residents and will include information on how they can access their home local authority's equivalent School Admissions Application Form.
5. The admission authorities within Haringey will not use supplementary forms except where the information available through the School Admissions Application Form is insufficient for consideration of the application against their published oversubscription criteria. Where admissions authorities within Haringey use supplementary forms, we will ensure that they only collect information in accordance with paragraphs 1.9 & 2.4 of the School Admissions Code 2014.
6. Where supplementary forms are used, they will be made available on the website. Such forms will advise parents that they must also complete their home local authority's School Admissions Application Form. The Haringey schools' booklet will indicate which Haringey schools require supplementary information forms to be completed.
7. Where a school in Haringey receives a supplementary information form, it will not be considered a valid application unless the parent/carer has also listed the school on their home LA's School Admissions Application Form.
8. Haringey Local Authority will share the details of each application for a Haringey voluntary-aided school, foundation school or academy with that school. Schools that require a supplementary information form will check that each parent has completed one. If one has not been received the school will make contact with the parent and ask them to complete one. The school will also check that each parent that has completed a supplementary form has also completed a School Admissions Application Form. If any parent has not completed a School Admissions Application Form, the school will share that information with Haringey Local Authority who will then contact the parent and ask them to complete one.
9. Applicants will be able to express a preference for six maintained secondary schools or Academies located within and/or outside Haringey Local Authority (including any City Technology College that has agreed to participate in their local authority's Co-ordinated Scheme).

10. The order of preference given on the School Admissions Application Form will not be revealed to a school. However, where a parent resident in Haringey expresses a preference for schools in the area of another local authority, the order of preference will be revealed to that local authority in order to determine the highest preference offer in cases where a child is eligible for a place at more than one school.
11. Haringey undertakes to carry out the address verification process set out in its entry in the Pan-London Business User Guide. This will in all cases include validation of resident applicants against this LA's primary school data and the further investigation of any discrepancy. Additional information will be requested from parents at the time of application and this will be explained in the secondary booklet. Where this LA is not satisfied as to the validity of an address of an applicant whose preference has been sent to a maintaining LA, it will advise the maintaining LA no later than **11 December 2015**.
12. Haringey will confirm the status of any resident child for whom it receives an Application Form stating that s/he is a 'Child in Care' and will provide evidence to the maintaining LA in respect of a preference for a school in its area by **13 November 2015**.
13. Haringey will advise a maintaining LA of the reason for any preference expressed for a school in its area, in respect of a resident child born outside of the correct age cohort, and will forward any supporting documentation to the maintaining LA by **13 November 2015**.

PROCESSING

14. Applicants resident within Haringey must complete and return the School Admissions Application Form, which will be available on-line, by **31 October 2015**. However, Haringey LA encourages applicants to submit their application by **23 October 2015** to allow sufficient time to process and check all applications before the **31 October 2015**, the mandatory date when data must be sent to the Pan London Register (PLR).
15. Any application forms, changes to preferences or preference order received after **31 October 2015** will be treated as late. This means that such applications will be considered after those applicants who have applied on time.
16. Haringey will accept late applications and process them as on time only if they are late for a good reason and supported by written independent evidence. Upon receipt of the written independent evidence, each case will be decided upon its own merits.
17. Where such applications contain preferences for schools in other LAs, Haringey will forward the details to maintaining LAs via the Pan-London Register (PLR) as they are received. Haringey will accept late applications which are considered to be on time within the terms of the home LA's scheme.
18. The latest date for the upload to the PLR of late applications which are considered to be on-time within the terms of the home LA's scheme is **11 December 2015**.
19. Where an applicant moves from one participating home LA to another after submitting an on-time application under the terms of the former home LA's scheme, the new home LA will accept the application as on-time up to **11 December 2015**, on the basis that an on-time application already exists within the Pan-London system.

20. Any school that operates testing to take place must ensure that their timetable coincides with the scheme timetable set out in, **Schedule A**.
21. Application data relating to applications for schools in other participating local authorities will be up-loaded to the Pan-London Register (PLR) on **13 November 2015**. Supplementary information provided with the School Admissions Application Form will be sent to Haringey voluntary-aided schools/maintaining local authorities by the same date.
22. Application data relating to Haringey schools from out-of-borough pupils will be received from the Pan London Register on **16 November 2015**.
23. Haringey Local Authority will notify each school within Haringey that is its own admissions authority of every preference that has been made for the school, forwarding to them all relevant details from the School Admissions Application Form by **8 December 2015**.
24. Between **8 December 2015** and **15 January 2016**, voluntary-aided, foundation schools and Academies will assess their applications according to their admissions criteria.
25. Haringey will participate in the application data checking exercise scheduled between **14 December** and **4 January 2016** in the Pan-London timetable.
26. All preferences for schools within Haringey will be considered by the relevant admission authorities without reference to rank order. When the admission authorities within Haringey have provided a list of applicants in criteria order, Haringey Local Authority shall, for each applicant to its schools for whom more than one potential offer is available, make the offer to the highest ranked school.
27. Haringey Local Authority will send the first ALT file to the Pan-London Register (PLR) giving offer details for their school by **3 February 2016**. The PLR will transmit the highest potential offer specified by the maintaining LA to the Home LA.
28. Haringey will eliminate all but the highest ranked offer where an applicant has more than one potential offer. This will involve exchanges of preference outcomes between the LAS (Local Admissions System) and the PLR which will continue until notification that a steady state has been achieved or until **16 February 2016** if this is sooner.
29. Haringey will not make an additional offer between the end of the iterative process and **1 March 2016** which may impact on an offer being made by another participating LA.
30. Notwithstanding paragraph 29 if an error is identified within the allocation of places at one of our schools, Haringey LA will attempt to manually resolve the allocation to correct the error. Where this impacts on another LA (either as a home or maintaining LA) Haringey LA will liaise with that LA to attempt to resolve the incorrect offer and any multiple offers which might occur. However, if another LA is unable to resolve a multiple offer, or if the impact is too far reaching, Haringey will accept that the applicant(s) affected might receive a multiple offer.
31. Haringey will participate in the offer data checking exercise scheduled between **17** and **24 February 2016**.

32. Haringey will send a file to the E-Admissions portal with outcomes for all resident applicants who have applied online no later than **25 February 2016**.

OFFERS

33. Haringey will ensure, so far as is reasonably practical, that each resident applicant who cannot be offered a preference expressed on the School Admissions Application Form receives the offer of an alternative school place. The applicant will be offered a place at the nearest community school (or own admitting authority school if the governors have agreed to this) to the home address with an available place.

34. Haringey will inform all resident applicants of their highest offer of a school place and, where relevant, the reasons why higher preferences were not offered, whether they were for schools in the Home LA or in other participating LAs.

35. Haringey will use the form of Notification Letter set out in this document.

36. Notification of the outcome will be sent by first class post to parents on **1 March 2016**.

37. Details of the pupils to be offered will be made available to each Haringey primary school by **1 March 2016**.

38. Parents who are not offered a place at their preferred schools will be offered the right of appeal.

POST OFFER

39. Parents must accept or decline the offer of a place by **15 March 2016**. If they do not respond by this date the local authority will make every reasonable effort to contact the parent to find out whether or not they wish to accept the place. If the parent fails to respond to the local authority the school place will be withdrawn.

40. Where a parent accepts or declines a place by **15 March 2016** this information will be passed to the maintaining LA by **24 March 2016**. Where such information is received from applicants after **15 March**, this LA will pass it to the maintaining LA as it is received.

41. Haringey will inform the home LA, where different, of an offer for a maintained school or Academy in Haringey which can be made to an applicant resident in the home LA's area, in order that the home LA can offer the place.

42. When acting as a maintaining LA, Haringey LA and the admission authorities within it will not inform an applicant resident in another LA that a place can be offered.

43. Haringey will offer a place at a maintained school or Academy in another LA to an applicant resident in its area, provided that the school is ranked higher on the School Admissions Application Form than any school already offered.

44. Where Haringey is informed by a maintaining LA of an offer which can be made to an applicant resident in Haringey which is ranked lower on the School Admissions Application Form than any school already offered, it will inform the maintaining LA that the offer will not be made.

45. Where Haringey, acting as a home LA, has agreed to a change of preference order for good reason, it must inform any maintaining LA affected by the change.
46. Haringey will inform the home LA, where different, of any change to an applicant's offer status as soon as it occurs.
47. Haringey will accept new applications (including additional preferences) from home LAs for maintained schools and Academies in its area.

WAITING LISTS

48. Where a child does not receive an offer of their first preference, his/her name will automatically be placed on the waiting list for each Haringey school for which he/she is eligible, that is a higher preference school to the one that has been offered. Parents will be advised that if they want to go on the waiting list for an out-of-borough school, that they must put this in writing to the School Admissions Service in Haringey.
49. Parents will be given the opportunity to make applications to Haringey schools to which they did not originally apply.
50. Waiting lists will be kept by all maintained admission authorities in Haringey and coordinated centrally by this local authority as part of the coordination of all admission applications. Academies, voluntary-aided and foundation schools will apply their own admission arrangements. Haringey local authority will keep a mirrored waiting list and will offer places on behalf of the governing body. Waiting lists for community schools will be administered centrally by the local authority.
51. Waiting lists for entry to Year 7 in September 2016 will be compiled on **16 March 2016** (after the deadline for acceptance of places) and will be kept in strict criteria order with no differentiation between on-time or late applications.
52. Waiting lists will be maintained and places allocated, as they become available, in accordance with each admission authority's published admission and oversubscription criteria.
53. Children will remain on the waiting list until the end of the Autumn Term of the academic year of entry, unless parents contact the School Admissions Team to extend this further.

Timetable for entry to school in September 2016

23 October 2015	Recommended closing date for receipt of the School Admission Application Form
31 October 2015	Statutory deadline for return of application to the Home LA
13 November 2015	Deadline for the transfer of application information by the Home LA to the PLR and supplementary information to Haringey VA schools/maintaining local authorities
8 December 2015 – 15 January 2016	Voluntary-aided schools and Academies will order their applications according to their admissions criteria
11 December 2015	Deadline for the upload of applications that are late but are considered to be on-time, to the PLR
14 December 2015 – 4 January 2016	Pan-London data checking exercise of pupil applications exchanged via the PLR
15 January 2016	Voluntary-aided schools and Academies to provide Haringey LA with an electronic list of their applicants in rank order
3 February 2016	Deadline for the transfer of highest potential offer information from the Maintaining LAs to the PLR
16 February 2016	Final ALT file to the PLR
17 – 24 February 2016	Pan-London data checking exercise of pupil offer data
01 March 2016	Notifications sent first class to parents by Home LA
15 March 2016	Date by which parents accept or decline offers
24 March 2016	Date by which LA will pass information to schools within Haringey (or for out-of-borough schools, to the maintaining LA) on parents who have accepted or declined a place.

NOTIFICATION LETTER

1 March 2016
Ref: «pupil_id»

To the Parent/Carer of
«pupil_firstname» «pupil_surname»
«gu_unit_no» «gu_unit_name»
«gu_house_no» «gu_street»
«gu_main_road»
«gu_district»
«gu_postcode»

Dear Parent/Carer,

School Admissions Service
3rd Floor, River Park House,
225 High Road, London N22 8HQ
Tel: 020 8489 1000
Email:
schooladmissions@haringey.gov.uk
This matter is being dealt
with by: xx

SECONDARY TRANSFER 2016

I am writing to let you know the outcome of your application for a secondary school place. Your child «pupil_firstname» has been offered a place at «alloc_pref».

Accepting the offer of the school place

It is important that you confirm as soon as possible that you wish to accept the offer of a place at «alloc_pref». Please complete the reply slip below and return by **15 March**. Failure to do so may result in this offer being withdrawn.

Once your acceptance is received, the school will be informed and will contact you to provide further information about the arrangements for admission.

Please note that applications for any schools that you listed lower on your application form, were automatically withdrawn under the co-ordinated admission arrangements.

If you were not offered your first preference school

I am sorry that it was not possible to offer a place at any of the schools which you have listed higher on your application form. For each of these schools there were more applications than places available, and other applicants had a higher priority than your child under the school's published admission criteria.

If you would like further information about why your child was not offered one of your higher preference schools, then please contact the admission authority for that school. An admission authority will either be the school or the local authority where the school is located.

We are the admission authority for community schools in Haringey. For all other schools and academies in Haringey, please contact them directly.

The contact details for other admissions authorities can be found in our booklet or at www.Haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Appeals

You have the right of appeal under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 against the refusal of a place at any of the schools which you listed on your application form.

If you wish to appeal:

- for community schools in Haringey please contact the School Admissions Service at the above address or visit www.Haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions and return your completed appeal form to the address at the top of this letter
- for all other schools and academies in Haringey please contact the school direct
- for schools outside Haringey, please contact the local authority where the school is located.

The outcome of your appeal will not be influenced by the acceptance of a place at an alternative school.

Waiting lists

I can confirm that your child's name has been placed on the waiting list for any Haringey school that you have listed higher on your form. If you would like «pupil_firstname» to be placed on a waiting list for any other school, then please contact the Haringey School Admissions Team. Your child will remain on the waiting list until the end of the Autumn Term 2016 for Haringey Community Schools unless you contact the School Admissions Team to extend this further.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact a member of the School Admissions Service.

Yours sincerely,

Jennifer Duxbury
Head of Education Services

Reply Slip

Ref: «pupil_id»

To: School Admissions Service, 3rd Floor, River Park House, 225 High Road, N22 8HQ

I wish to accept

I do not wish to accept *

a place for «pupil_firstname» «pupil_surname» at «alloc_pref» (Please tick).

(*If you do not wish to accept a place at the above school, please indicate below the arrangements you intend to make for your child.)

Signature of Parent/Carer

Date

Daytime Telephone Number

Please return this form by 15 March 2016

For information on how the waiting lists for Haringey Schools operate, please refer to the booklet.