

Applying for a Secondary School Place in Milton Keynes

A guide for parents and carers

Apply between 1 September and 31 October 2020 to start secondary school in September 2021

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Maximise your chance of getting a preferred secondary school place

Apply on time

- The closing date is **31 October 2020**
- Any applications received after this date will be processed in the second round after the majority of places have been allocated
- A late application therefore means you are much less likely to get what you want
- Notifications of the places offered will be made on **1 March 2021** (unless your application is late)

Apply online

- You can apply online at **www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions** up until midnight on 31 October 2020
- You will be able to view, update, submit/ resubmit and check the status of your application throughout the process
- Notification of the place allocated will be quicker and your application will be secure
- You will be able to log on from midnight on 1 March 2021 to view the school that has been allocated

Use all four preferences

- You could disadvantage yourself if you don't use your opportunity to express a preference for four schools
- Each preference is considered in its own right, so give yourself four separate chances, the schools do not know the order you have put the preferences
- If more than one school is able to offer your child a place the order of preference is important, so ensure you list the school in the order that you want them considered.

Choose wisely

- Understand the school's oversubscription criteria
- Improve your understanding of your chance of success by looking at the point when schools turned down applications last year
- Don't assume you will be allocated a place at your catchment school if you don't state it as one of your preferences
- Don't assume your child will get priority just because they attend a primary school within the area of the secondary school
- Consider how you will access your school place

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Section A
General information

How school admissions works

There are two ways to make an application for secondary school entrance, either through the normal entry (i.e. starting year 7 in the September following a child's 11th birthday) or by making an in-year application (i.e. for joining the school at any other time all the way through to end of year 11).

This guide explains the process and how to make an application for starting in year 7 in September 2021.

If you need to make an in year application please apply using the online portal. We will either process the application or forward it to the relevant admissions authority for processing. Please be aware that some schools may request that you complete their own application form. In some instances you can also make an in-year application directly to your school of preference. More information regarding the in-year process can be found on the council's website.

Secondary school admissions 2021

This guide relates to the admission of children starting secondary school in September 2021. These children were born between 1 September 2009 and 31 August 2010.

Normal admissions are coordinated by local authorities to ensure that across the country, children transferring to secondary school are offered a school place on the same day – National Offer Day: 1 March 2021. Milton Keynes Council co-ordinates secondary admissions to all schools both in and out of the council's area. All admissions authorities in Milton Keynes will work together with the council (and we will work with our neighbouring local authorities) to give each child ONE offer of a school place only. This offer will be for the highest preference possible.

The process

The council co-ordinates the secondary school admissions process for all children resident within Milton Keynes. This means that parents/carers of children who wish to apply for a secondary school place for their child in September 2021 will submit an application to Milton Keynes Council, regardless of where their preferred schools are located.

How to apply

There is an online application process and a timetable in this guide which ensures that offers of places to all parents/carers within the local authority are confirmed on national offer day. A paper copy of the application form is available on request.

Parents who live outside of Milton Keynes who wish to apply for a place at a school in the area will need to submit an application to the local authority where they live. After the closing date for applications your home authority will liaise with the Education Access Team at Milton Keynes Council about the availability of places. Any application made will be considered in line with the admissions criteria.

Visiting schools

Each autumn term the secondary schools arrange open days or evenings for parents of children due to transfer the following September. Details of the dates and times can be found under the listings for the individual schools. It should be noted that these dates and times are subject to change and parents/carers should check with individual schools for confirmation.

It is important that you visit the school which serves the area where you live, the catchment area, as well as any other schools that you might be interested in, even if you already have an older child attending that school. Each school's individual circumstances can change year on year and you should not assume that the information you received in a previous year will be the same this year.

Important dates – what happens when?

Children attending junior or primary school in Milton Keynes transfer to secondary school in the September following their eleventh birthday. This means that all children who were born between 1 September 2009 and 31 August 2010 will transfer to secondary school in September 2021.

The following timetable explains the admission procedure to secondary schools.

Action	Date
Online portal for applications opens for all parents/carers	1 September 2020
Schools hold their open events	September – October 2020
Closing date for receipt of applications: including information regarding address changes and house moves	Saturday 31 October 2020
National Offer Day	Monday 1 March 2021
Waiting lists operate for over-subscribed schools	1 March 2021 to 31 December 2021

Moving house

As part of the application the address of the new property should be included and proof of any house move must be provided by 31 October 2020, failure to do this will result in the application being processed according to the previous address. In addition, it must be evidenced that any move will be in effect by 1 September 2021 and for tenancy agreements they must be in place beyond 1 September 2021.

If moving house BEFORE the closing date for applications, the address and preferences can be resubmitted along with proof of moving house by 31 October 2020.

Families who are moving into Milton Keynes before the closing date should apply to Milton Keynes Council and supply proof of moving house by 31 October 2020.

Where a family is moving out of Milton Keynes, proof of the new address will still be required before it is handed over to the relevant local authority. The new local authority will take over ownership of the application and any further correspondence should be directed to them. Please note that other local authorities may not acknowledge the new address and to avoid disappointment families are advised to contact the relevant local authority for advice on how their application will be processed.

If purchasing a plot of land with the intention of building a house, legal documentation confirming when the property will be completed and occupied by the applicant is required by 31 October 2020, and the occupation date must be before 1 September 2021.

If moving house AFTER the closing date and a change of preferences is needed for the new address, a ‘late application’ form will need to be completed. This application must be accompanied by proof of moving to the new address (a copy of signed lease/rental agreement extending over 1 September 2021) or copy of solicitor’s letter confirming exchange of contracts/completion date). While the new address will be used for correspondence purposes, the late application will be processed in the later rounds of allocations.

If there is any doubt about the validity of the move, further proof may be requested. The Education Access team will be able to provide further advice if required. In order to ensure that applications remain with the relevant local authority, applicants are advised to update the Education Access team on a regular basis.

Child's home address

This must be where you live with your child unless you can provide appropriate evidence that your child lives elsewhere with someone who has **legal care** of your child. The property must be owned, leased or rented by the child's parents or person with legal care of the child. We expect a child's home address to be a residential property that is the child's only or main residence, not an address at which your child may sometimes stay or sleep due to your domestic arrangements.

The council would not normally expect:

- Families to retain a second residence elsewhere as a main residence. If the family has two residences we will check which is the main residence.
- Only part of a family to move unless as part of a divorce or permanent separation arrangement in which case we will ask for evidence.
- A child to move to a residence other than with his or her parent or carer unless as part of a fostering arrangement. This will be verified.
- Two families claiming to be living together in a property which is not suitable in size for the number of adults and children who would be living there and for whom there is no formal record of this arrangement.

We can refuse to accept where you say your child lives if we have any doubts, in which case we will continue to ask for evidence to show that you and your family actually live where you say you live. We may ask that you provide legal confirmation of your address. We may check the evidence you have provided with other agencies.

If we offer a place at a school and then discover that the offer was made on the basis of fraudulent or misleading information (for example, a false claim to living in a catchment area), and this denied a place to another child, the offer of that place will be withdrawn by the admission authority for the school. This has happened in previous years.

Joint custody arrangements

Where parents live apart and share responsibility for a child, we will require a joint declaration from both parents confirming how the child divides their time between the two addresses. If the child's residence is split equally between the two addresses, then the declaration should also state which of the two addresses is to be used for the application. Where there is disagreement as to which address is to be used, or where a child spends an unequal amount of time at each address we will seek to consider whether there is documentary evidence as to the main place of residence, for example, the address for the parent who is in receipt of child benefit. Please note that in the case that a court order is in place then this will take precedence over a joint declaration.

Choosing school preferences

Parents often believe that they can choose a school for their child and a place will be allocated based upon that choice. In Milton Keynes there is no right to a particular school place. Applicants can state up to four ranked preferences for schools on their application. Ensure you complete your application carefully because this provides the information we need to work out where your child will be on the ranking list for each of the schools you have indicated.

An 'Equal Preference Scheme' is used to decide which school can be offered to your child. It is as though you have made up to four separate applications to your preferred schools. If there are sufficient places at the highest ranked school then all those children whose parents apply will be allocated places. However, if a school is oversubscribed your request may be refused and, if possible, a place offered at one of your lower ranked schools. We will consider the preferences in the order you have stated. In some circumstances none of the preferences will be able to be met and in such cases, a place will be allocated at the nearest school to the home address with a place still available.

Parents and carers should consider very carefully their preferences as a number of schools are oversubscribed annually. If you state preferences for four schools that are regularly oversubscribed, the chances of being allocated a place are very limited. You should also consider carefully the practical arrangements of transporting your child to and from school. The council does not provide transport to schools that are parental preference unless the Home to School Travel Policy applies. See Section C of this guide for further information.

Sources of general information relating to schools, including such information as annual school achievement and attainment tables, published reports of recent school inspections, school open days and uniform policies can be found on individual school websites. You can also visit the Ofsted website at **www.reports.ofsted.gov.uk**

You are not disadvantaged by putting four preferences as each preference is considered individually. Each application is considered against the individual school's criteria. If a place can be offered at more than one of your preferred schools, then your child will be offered a place at the school you ranked highest. The schools do not know in which order you have ranked the preferences.

You are advised to put your catchment school as one of your preferences. It is important to consider that if a place cannot be offered at any of the preferred schools on the application, a place will only be offered at your catchment school if there is a vacancy or, we will then offer a place at the next nearest school to the home address with a vacancy. There is no guarantee that this offer will be for a place at the catchment school if you have not included this as one of your preferences, as this school may have already offered all its places to those who have expressed a preference.

A summary of the oversubscription criteria for each school can be found in Section E. Please consider the criteria carefully before making your application. To help you understand how the criteria work, we have provided you with a snapshot of how places were allocated last year. However, this information is historical and will not necessarily reflect what will happen this year. A complete copy of each school's oversubscription criteria can be found on the schools' websites.

If your child is offered a place at your preferred school which is outside of your catchment area, then you should be aware that it may not be possible in future years to offer places to younger siblings.

Consider how you will access your school place

- Can you walk there? (Government expectation is that children aged 4 to 7 can walk up to 2 miles to access school, while for children aged 8 or over can walk up to 3 miles, as long as there is a 'safe route').
- Will you need to access public transport to support your journey - is there a suitable route?
- Will you access the school place by car - have you considered where to park? Parking considerately is important to ensure the safety of children is not put at risk, and that the local community is not adversely impacted.

Siblings

It is your responsibility to include details of any siblings when completing your application. The council cannot be responsible for omission of sibling details. For admission purposes, a sibling is a brother or sister of whole or half blood or any other child (including an adopted child) who permanently resides at the same address and for whom the parent also has parental responsibility.

The majority of schools give higher priority to children who already have siblings in attendance. You should check the admissions criteria and sibling definition for each school carefully when completing your application. Sibling details provided are always checked with the preferred school and you must indicate where siblings have a different family name.

Looked after children and previously looked after children

All secondary schools are required by law to give priority for admission to a 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after. A 'looked after child' is a child who is in the care of a local authority or being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions at the time of making an application to school.

Previously looked after children are children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted from local authority care in England and Wales, or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order.

Children with special educational needs

Children with special educational needs will be treated as fairly as any other applicant. The council does not permit refusal of admission because it is claimed that the school cannot cater for the child's needs and will consider applications in line with the over-subscription criteria.

Children with an Education, Health Care Plan

All admission authorities are required under section 324 of the Education Act 1996 to admit to a school a child with an Education, Health Care Plan that names the school. This is not an oversubscription criterion and schools must admit children whether they have places or not.

Children with an Education, Health Care Plan that names a school and who arrive outside the normal admission round must be admitted to the school even if the school is full.

If you have any queries about your child's special needs or wish to request a leaflet explaining the transfer process please contact the SEN Casework Team on 01908 253414.

Special provision in secondary schools

All secondary schools are organised so that they can support children with specific or moderate learning difficulties including those with an Education, Health Care Plan. Parents whose children hold an Education, Health Care Plan or are undergoing assessment are advised to discuss their child's needs with the Special Needs Coordinator to see what arrangements the school makes.

Free school meals

You should indicate on the application if your child is currently eligible for free school meals, particularly if you are expressing a preference for a Buckinghamshire grammar school. It is important to do this because some schools may give priority to children entitled to free school meals.

Children of UK service personnel

For families of service personnel with a confirmed posting to their area or, crown servants returning from overseas to live in that area, the admissions authority will:

- Ensure that the needs of the children of these families are taken into account
- Allocate a school place in advance of the family arriving in the area, if the application is accompanied by an official government letter (e.g. MOD, FCO or GCHQ) declaring a relocation date and intended address, if the applicant would meet the criteria on relocation; For in year admissions, the place must be taken up no later than the beginning of the term following the offer.
- Accept a unit postal address or, if appropriate, a 'quartering area' address (the address of the closest house in the nearest 'quartering area'), for applications from service personnel in the absence of a new home postal address.

The admissions authority will not reserve places for blocks of these children or refuse a place to a child because the family does not currently live in the local authority area.

The admissions authority will consider late applications for children of UK service personnel as exceptions and will process as an on time application wherever possible.

Proof of address

Each applicant will need to provide their council tax number in the application as proof of address. Applications are verified against council tax data. If the applicant doesn't show on the council tax register please ensure that proof of residence is provided by sending it to secondaryadmissions@milton-keynes.gov.uk.

Accepted proof of address includes:

- a copy of a signed tenancy agreement,
- if staying with family or friends a letter from them with their council tax account number and evidence to show your name is listed on the council tax
- a letter confirming exchange of contracts, if a house purchase is progressing

If there is any doubt about the validity of this proof, or notification received indicating a different home address further evidence will be requested. Other agencies may provide evidence that challenges the proof provided and lead to further investigation.

In situations where an application is considered to contain any false or deliberately misleading information the application will be withdrawn and a fresh application will need to be made and processed as a late application in April 2021.

Declaration and signature of parent/carer

When submitting your application you will be asked to confirm that:

- you are making an application for the schools that you have ranked in order of your preference
- you are the person with parental responsibility for the child
- the information provided is true to the best of your knowledge and belief
- you understand that any false or deliberately misleading information provided on the application and/or supporting papers, or any information withheld, may render the application invalid and could lead to the withdrawal of an offer of a school place
- you understand that the address information provided will be checked against council tax data.

Children from other authorities

If you are not resident in Milton Keynes and wish your child to attend a Milton Keynes secondary school you need to contact your home authority (the authority to whom you pay council tax) for an application form. Your home authority will liaise with the Education Access Team in Milton Keynes about the availability of places.

Any application made will be considered in line with the admissions criteria detailed in this booklet. You should note that your child's attendance at a Milton Keynes junior or primary school does not guarantee admission to a Milton Keynes secondary school.

If you currently live outside Milton Keynes but expect to move into this area before the closing date you should complete the Milton Keynes application and provide a letter confirming details of your move. For further information, please refer to the 'Moving House' section.

Admission to schools outside Milton Keynes

If you are a Milton Keynes resident paying your council tax to Milton Keynes Council and wish to apply for a school place outside Milton Keynes, you must complete a Milton Keynes application. If you want to apply for a place for example in Buckinghamshire, please ask that council for a copy of their admissions information so you have seen all relevant information before deciding which schools you wish to apply for.

Applying for a place at a Buckinghamshire grammar school if you are a Milton Keynes resident

You must apply for a grammar school place via the Milton Keynes application process; we would recommend that one of the preferences from the four on offer is used to select your catchment school as there is no guarantee a grammar school place will be offered. Your child may have qualified for entrance to a Buckinghamshire grammar school; however it cannot be assumed that a place will be offered. All schools use their oversubscription criteria to determine eligibility and rank each application; you should check this information carefully before completing your application.

If your child is eligible for free school meals, you must indicate this on your application as for some schools this is one of the oversubscription criteria.

If a place is offered at a Buckinghamshire grammar school, you will be responsible for any transport that is required. Milton Keynes Council does not provide any transport to these schools and you should discuss transport options with Buckinghamshire County Council before making your application.

You are advised to express a preference for at least one Milton Keynes school. If your application for a grammar school is unsuccessful, you will be allocated a place at a Milton Keynes school with a vacancy and this may not be your catchment school if you have not put any alternative preferences.

Further information can be found at **www.buckscc.gov.uk**

Admission to a University Technical College (UTC)

Milton Keynes Council is required to publish information about typical admission points. The following University Technical Colleges (UTCs) provide places in year 10:

- Silverstone UTC **www.utc-silverstone.co.uk**
- Bucks University Technical College **www.buckinghamshireutc.co.uk**

Should you wish to enquire for a place for your child at either of the UTCs listed above you will need to contact the relevant UTC directly who will provide you with details on how to apply.

Admission of children outside their normal age range

By law, parents may seek a place for their child outside of their normal age group, for example, if the child is gifted and talented or has experienced problems such as ill health. Admission authorities must make clear in their admission arrangements the process for requesting admission out of the normal age group. Admission authorities must make decisions on the basis of the circumstances of each case and in the best interest of the child concerned.

Any such requests must be made directly to schools and the council needs to be made aware of the outcome of such requests.

Multiple births

In cases where there is one remaining place available and the next child on the waiting list is one of a twin, triplet or other multiple birth group, both twins would be admitted (or all the siblings in the case of multiple births) even though this would go above the admission number of the school.

Section B
The application process

1 September 2020

You can apply online from this date at

www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Make sure you read the 'Applying for a secondary school place in Milton Keynes' **BEFORE** making your application

Attend open evenings at secondary schools - these will be held during September and October 2020

Choose wisely - you could disadvantage yourself if you don't use your opportunity to express a preference for **four** schools. Don't assume you will be allocated a place at your catchment school if you don't state it as one of your preferences

If you are moving house, you must provide proof of your new address by the closing date. The Education Access Team may contact you to request further evidence of your intended house move

You **MUST** supply your council tax account number so that the Education Access Team can verify your home address - your application could be delayed if this is not supplied

Make sure you submit your application before the closing date of

31 October 2020

Applications made after this date will be late and not processed until April 2021

National Offer Day
1 March 2021

You will receive notification of the school place that has been offered

If a place is declined at a school of preference, your child's name will automatically be placed on the waiting list.

Waiting lists will be held until 31 December 2021

Appeal requests must be made direct to schools

Key Points to Remember

There is no guarantee of a place at your catchment school.

We cannot offer your child a school until you make an application. You will not just automatically be given a school place.

You should list the schools in the order you would like them, not the order you think you might be offered them.

Remember, if you are not sure about any part of the process just email or telephone us and we can give you more information and advice.

It is best to include your catchment school, even if you put it lower on your application than other schools. This is because you may not get your school of preference and the catchment school may fill up with those who have applied.

You are advised to list four schools. Putting just one school doesn't give you a better chance of getting it.

Having a sibling at the school does not guarantee admission but make sure you include your other child's details on your application, as it may mean you are given higher priority for a place.

When to apply

The application form is available online. In some instances, supporting documentation is required to accompany the application. A paper application form is available on request.

You must apply for a place either online by midnight on **31 October 2020 at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions** or by submitting the paper application form to be received by **5pm on Friday 30 October 2020**

No priority is given to applications on the basis of how soon they are received as long as they are received by the closing date. You are encouraged to take the time to visit schools and ensure that you are entirely happy with your preferences before submitting your application.

Applying online

You will be able to apply online from **1 September 2020** on the council's website at **www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions** You may need to create a user name (your email address) and a password. Once you have completed the online application you must submit it and you will then receive an email to acknowledge receipt of your application. If you have not received the acknowledgement email please access the application and check that you have completed the submission process.

Online applications cannot be submitted after the closing date of 31 October 2020.

Make a note of your online registration details. You will need to log back in on 1 March 2021 to see which school place has been offered.

You can also log on to view and amend your application until the closing date. Please note, if you view and/or amend any information you must resubmit your application and your parental declaration. Failure to follow this instruction means your application will not be submitted.

We recommend that you apply online for a school place; however, if you must complete a paper application form and are posting it, it is your responsibility to make sure that it arrives by the closing date **5pm on 30 October 2020.**

You can also submit a paper application form to your child's primary or junior school by **12 noon on Friday 30 October 2020**. Any applications received after the closing date will be late and will not be processed until April 2020.

Late applications

When offers are made on national offer day we will only offer places to applicants who applied by the closing date. Late applications will be considered after national offer day and applicants will be notified of the outcome of their late application on the notification dates set out below.

For late applications any child unable to be offered a place at a school of preference will be allocated a place at the school nearest to their home address which still has a vacancy, and will be automatically placed on the waiting list for the schools of preference. The waiting lists will be held in order of the schools' oversubscription criteria, which means that some children whose applications were received late may be higher priority on the waiting list than those who applied on time.

Round	Applications received by	Offer day
2	1 November 2020 to 12 March 2021	30 April 2021
3	13 March 2021 to 23 April 2021	21 May 2021
4	24 April 2021 to 31 May 2021	25 June 2021
5	1 June 2021 to 25 June 2021	9 July 2021
thereafter fortnightly		

Requesting a change of preference

Under normal circumstances, it is not possible to change your preferences after the closing date. If you wish to make a change after the closing date, a new application will need to be submitted and the application would then be considered as late and would then only be considered once all those who applied on time had been processed. The council can only accept a change of preference and consider the application to be on time in exceptional circumstances. The council will consider each case on its own merits.

It should be noted that even if a change of preference is accepted, the allocation process must then be conducted in line with the School Admission Code and the oversubscription criteria for each individual school.

Processing applications

Between November 2020 and February 2021 the council will be processing the applications. Your child's information will be passed on to all of the schools that you have applied to. The foundation schools, catholic school and academies will then rank all the applicants in order of their oversubscription criteria and provide this ranked list to the council.

If you have applied for a place in another authority we will pass your details to that local authority who will apply their procedures and then let the Education Access Team know if a place can be offered at a school in their area.

The council does not provide any details of your order of preference to the secondary schools and all applications will be treated on an equal preference basis. That means each preference is considered taking account of the child's details and the school's oversubscription criteria without referring to the order in which you put the school on your application. If your child is eligible for a place at more than one school then a place will be allocated at the highest ranked school.

How measurements are calculated

The majority of schools use the distance from a child's home address to the school in the event of oversubscription and places are awarded according to the proximity of the home to the school's main entrance gate.

The shortest route between a preferred school and the normal home address is measured using a computerised geographical information system. This is specialist software that the council maintains therefore, due to the specialist nature of this software, measurements may appear different to those that can be found online. Each house and school has a unique reference, as do all the redways and paths which are coded at any point of junction such as at an underpass or when it crosses with another path. This enables the programme to calculate the distance from home to school. There are two options, one of which will fit with a school's agreed admissions arrangements, measuring distance in a straight line or by the nearest shortest available route.

All measurements are calculated using the same system providing consistency for all applicants.

National Offer Day – 1 March 2021

National offer day is **1 March 2021**. If you applied online, you will be able to log on to the council's website to see the secondary school place that has been offered and you will receive an automated email providing you with this information. If you have been allocated your 2nd, 3rd or 4th preference, you may also receive a letter sent by second class mail offering your child a school place. Later on you will receive an admissions pack from the school where your child has been offered a place.

If your child is not offered a place at any of your preferred schools, an alternative school place will be offered at the nearest school to your home address with a place still available. Your child's name will automatically be placed on a waiting list for those schools for which a place has been declined and you will be advised of your right of appeal. Appeal requests must be made direct to schools.

What happens next?

If you are happy with the offer **you do not need to do anything**, we will assume you are accepting the place unless you advise otherwise. If you are declining the school place offered and have made alternative arrangements for your child's schooling please email **secondaryadmissions@milton-keynes.gov.uk** and provide us with your child's name and date of birth, and where they will be educated in **September 2021**.

What are your options if you are not happy with your child's allocation?

For a small number of families we may not be able to offer your child a place at a preferred school. If we were not able to offer a place at one of your preferred schools we will have offered a place at the nearest school to your home address that had places available at the end of the process.

We understand that it can be disappointing for you and your child if you are not allocated a place at one of your preferred schools. If you have not been to visit the school where your child has been allocated a place, it would be a good idea to arrange an appointment to visit and find out more about the school.

If a place is declined at a school of preference, your child's name will automatically be placed on a waiting list for that school.

If any other schools have places available, you can make a late application for those schools, but you must be aware that other parent/carers may make late applications for these schools and all late applications will be ranked according to each school's oversubscription criteria.

If you are still not content with the place you have been offered and wish to appeal for a school at which your child was not allocated a place, please refer to the section: Appeals

Refusing to take up the place offered

If you inform us that you wish to refuse to take up the place, we will not withdraw your offer of a school place immediately. This is because it is the duty of the local authority to ensure that every child of school age has a school place. We may only remove the offer of a school place once you have secured appropriate education provision and are able to confirm with us that you have an offer of a place at another school (state or independent).

We recommend that you should hold on to the offer of the school place and at the same time you may appeal for any / all schools that were higher preferences on your original application form. You may also apply for a place at other schools.

Appeals

If your child is not allocated a place at one of your ranked schools you can request information about the independent appeal procedure by contacting the school of preference. You will need to provide the school with your child's name, date of birth and address. The school will then send the relevant appeal information to your home address.

To facilitate appeals to be arranged prior to the end of the summer term appeal requests should be made by 23 April 2021.

Appeals for all secondary schools are arranged by the schools themselves using an independent provider. The clerk from the independent provider will inform you of the details of your hearing which are usually arranged during the summer term.

If your child has an Education Health Care Plan and you disagree with the council's decision on the allocation of a secondary school place you may appeal to the SEN and Disability Tribunal. Information about the process is available from the SEN Casework Team on 01908 253414.

Waiting lists

Following national offer day on 1 March 2021, all schools will keep a waiting list if they are oversubscribed. If a place is declined at a school of a higher preference than you have been allocated then your child's name will automatically be placed on a waiting list for those schools for which a place has been declined.

Children on the waiting list will be ranked in line with the school's individual admissions oversubscription criteria; so in the later rounds of allocations late applications may be higher on the list than those received on time. Placing a child's name on a waiting list does not affect the parent's right of appeal.

It is important to note that a child's position on the waiting list can change if new applicants are added to the list who have a higher priority for admission in line with the published oversubscription criteria. This means that the position of a child's name on the waiting list can move up or down.

Waiting lists will be held by schools until 31 December 2021. After this time parents should check with the individual school whether waiting lists will continue to be held.

Withdrawing offers of places

If a place is offered at a school on the basis of any false or intentionally misleading information from a parent, (for example, a false claim to living in a catchment area), which effectively denies a place to a child with a stronger claim, then the offer of a place will be withdrawn by the admission authority for the school. This has happened in previous years.

Admission to secondary school at post 16

All secondary schools are required to publish the number of pupils who will be admitted to the school at post 16 from other schools. This information is available at each school. Pupils who attend the school up to GCSE level will be given priority for entry to the sixth form subject to the school's post 16 admissions criteria.

Any queries regarding admission to secondary schools at post 16 should be made direct to schools.

Section C
Home to school travel

Free home to school travel eligibility

Parents and carers are responsible for ensuring their children attend school regularly and for arranging their safe arrival at school and journey home at the end of the day. At the same time, secondary school aged children who meet one of the following are eligible for free home to school transport.

1. Children who are between 8 and 16 years (or for children up to and including Year 11) must be three miles or more to their nearest qualifying school, measured by the shortest available safe walking route.
2. Children who are between 11 and 16 years (school years 7 to 11 inclusive) and receive free school meals or whose parents receive the maximum level of Working Tax Credit; and attend one of their three nearest qualifying schools and live more than two miles but less than six miles from that school.

Milton Keynes Council does not deem Walton High to be the nearest qualifying school for the areas of: Ashland, Aspley Guise, Aspley Heath, Campbell Park, Willen, Willen Park, Salford and Hulcote. As such Home to School Travel will not apply. Children living in Little Brickhill are only eligible for free home to school travel if they meet the low income criteria stated above.

To apply for free home to school travel under the eligibility set out above parents/carers should complete the home to school travel application available on our website at **www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooltransport**

Privilege fare scheme

Where parents or carers are not eligible for free travel, they may be able to pay for travel on a home to school contracted bus as a fare payer if there are spare seats available. To apply for this privilege fare scheme, please complete an application form. These places can be withdrawn if they are needed for another child entitled to free home to school travel. Normally a notice period is given.

The full Home to school travel policy and the forms referred to above are available on the website at **www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooltransport**

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Catchment schools by area

The information below provides details of the catchment area schools by estate or area. Some areas are split and are therefore in catchment for different schools. In this circumstance please refer to the specific school catchment details.

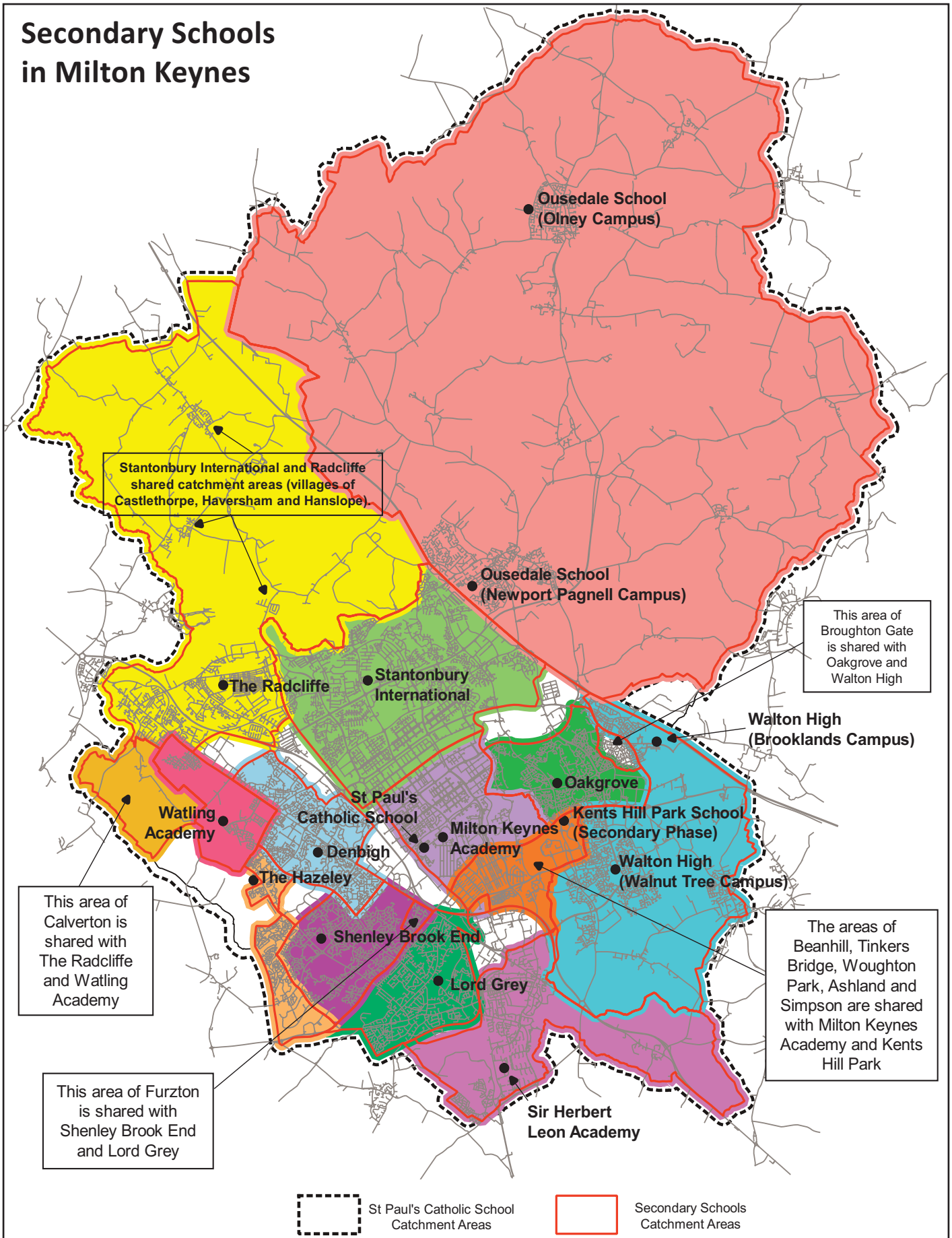
Area	Secondary school
Ashland	Kents Hill Park School, Milton Keynes Academy and Walton High
Astwood	Ousedale School
Atterbury	Oakgrove School
Bancroft	Stantonbury International School
Beanhill	Kents Hill Park School and Milton Keynes Academy
Blakelands	Stantonbury International School
Bletchley (Central)	Sir Herbert Leon Academy
Bletchley (Far, Old and West)	Lord Grey Academy
Bletchley (Lakes Estate)	Sir Herbert Leon Academy
Bletchley (Water Eaton)	Sir Herbert Leon Academy
Blue Bridge	Stantonbury International School
Bolbeck Park	Stantonbury International School
Bow Brickhill	Walton High
Bradville	Stantonbury International School
Bradwell Common	Stantonbury International School
Bradwell Village	Stantonbury International School
Brooklands	Walton High
Broughton	Oakgrove School
Broughton Gate	Walton High and Oakgrove School
Browns Wood	Walton High
Caldecotte	Walton High
Calverton	The Radcliffe School and Watling Academy
Campbell Park	Stantonbury International School, Milton Keynes Academy and Walton High
Castlethorpe	The Radcliffe School and Stantonbury International School
Central Milton Keynes - North	Stantonbury International School
Central Milton Keynes - South	Milton Keynes Academy
Chicheley	Ousedale School
Clifton Reynes	Ousedale School
Coffee Hall	Milton Keynes Academy
Cold Brayfield	Ousedale School
Conniburrow	Stantonbury International School
Crownhill	Denbigh School
Downhead Park	Stantonbury International School
Downs Barn	Stantonbury International School
Eagle Farm	Walton High
Eaglestone	Milton Keynes Academy
Emberton	Ousedale School
Emerson Valley	Shenley Brook End School
Fairfields	Watling Academy

Area	Secondary school
Fenny Stratford	Sir Herbert Leon Academy
Filgrave	Ousedale School
Fishermead	Milton Keynes Academy
Fullers Slade	The Radcliffe School
Furzton	Lord Grey Academy and Shenley Brook End School
Galley Hill	The Radcliffe School
Gayhurst	Ousedale School
Giffard Park	Stantonbury International School
Glebe Farm	Walton High
Grange Farm	The Hazeley Academy
Great Holm	Denbigh School
Great Linford	Stantonbury International School
Great Linford Village	Stantonbury International School
Greenleys	The Radcliffe School
Hanslope	The Radcliffe School and Stantonbury International School
Hardmead	Ousedale School
Haversham	The Radcliffe School and Stantonbury International School
Heelands	Stantonbury International School
Hodge Lea	The Radcliffe School
Kents Hill	Walton High
Kents Hill Park	Kents Hill Park School and Walton High
Kingsmead (North)	The Hazeley Academy
Kingsmead (South)	The Hazeley Academy
Kingston	Oakgrove School
Lathbury	Ousedale School
Lavendon	Ousedale School
Leadenhall	Milton Keynes Academy
Little Brickhill	Sir Herbert Leon Academy and Walton High
Little Crawley	Ousedale School
Little Linford	Ousedale School
Loughton	Denbigh School
Loughton Lodge	Denbigh School
Medbourne	The Hazeley Academy
Middleton	Oakgrove School
Milton Keynes Village	Oakgrove School
Monkston	Oakgrove School
Monkston Park	Oakgrove School
Mousloe	Ouesdale School
Netherfield	Kents Hill Park School and Milton Keynes Academy
New Bradwell	Stantonbury International School
Newport Pagnell	Ousedale School
Newton Blossomville	Ousedale School
Newton Leys	Sir Herbert Leon Academy
North Crawley	Ousedale School
Oakgrove	Oakgrove School

Area	Secondary school
Oakhill	The Hazeley Academy
Oakridge Park	Stantonbury International School
Oldbrook	Milton Keynes Academy
Old Farm Park	Walton High
Old Wolverton	The Radcliffe School
Olney	Ousedale School
Oxley Park	The Hazeley Academy
Passmore	Milton Keynes Academy
Peartree Bridge	Milton Keynes Academy
Pennyland	Stantonbury International School
Petsoe	Ousedale School
Ravenstone	Ousedale School
Redhouse Park	Stantonbury International School
Shenley Brook End	Shenley Brook End School
Shenley Church End	Denbigh School
Shenley Lodge	Denbigh School
Sherington	Ousedale School
Simpson	Kents Hill Park School, Milton Keynes Academy and Walton High
Springfield	Milton Keynes Academy
Stacey Bushes	The Radcliffe School
Stantonbury	Stantonbury International School
Stoke Goldington	Ousedale School
Stony Stratford	The Radcliffe School
Tattenhoe	Shenley Brook End School
Tattenhoe Park	The Hazeley Academy
The Hub	Milton Keynes Academy
Tinkers Bridge	Kents Hill Park School and Milton Keynes Academy
Two Mile Ash	Denbigh School
Tyringham	Ousedale School
Walnut Tree	Walton High
Walton	Walton High
Walton Hall	Walton High
Walton Park	Walton High
Warrington	Ousedale School
Wavendon Gate	Walton High
Wavendon Village	Walton High
Westcroft	Shenley Brook End School
Weston Underwood	Ousedale School
Whitehouse	Watling Academy
Willen	Stantonbury International School and Walton High
Willen Park	Stantonbury International School and Walton High
Woburn Sands	Walton High
Wolverton	The Radcliffe School
Wolverton Mill	The Radcliffe School

Area	Secondary school
Woolstone	Milton Keynes Academy and Oakgrove
Woughton on the Green	Milton Keynes Academy and Oakgrove
Woughton Park	Kents Hill Park School and Milton Keynes Academy

Secondary Schools in Milton Keynes



Catchment areas are shown as a guide only - please check the catchment areas listed for each secondary

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Denbigh School

Burchard Crescent, Shenley Church End, Milton Keynes, MK5 6EX

The catchment area is: Two Mile Ash, Great Holm, Loughton, Crownhill, Shenley Church End and Shenley Lodge

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8265410
Specialisms/Awards	Teaching School. School-Centred Initial Training (SCITT) provider. Maths Hub. Science Hub. Microsoft Showcase School. Accredited DofE
Admission Authority	The Denbigh Alliance MAT, Board of Directors
Age range	11 - 19
Testing for aptitude	If you want your child to be considered for a place on grounds of aptitude for Technology, you must also complete the school's supplementary Aptitude Test application form which can be found on the school website and submit it to the school by 12:00pm on Monday 9th September 2020. The test will take place on the morning of Saturday 21st September 2020
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 505030
Website	www.denbigh.net
Email	headteacher@denbigh.net
Places available for September 2021	260
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	1227
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	260 - All applicants offered up to criterion 4b (in catchment) and some allocated to criterion 4c (with sibling and attend partner school) to a distance of 0.749 miles.
Partner schools	Caroline Haslett Primary School, Loughton School, Two Mile Ash School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct: clementsj@denbigh.net

Open evening – Wednesday 14th October 2020, 5:30pm to 8:30pm

The Headteacher, Mr Andy Squires, will give three presentations at 6.00pm, 7.00pm and 8.00pm about the school ethos and commitment to the success for each of its students. Timed tickets will be issued to parents on arrival. Guided tours of the Faculties will be given by present Denbigh students, who will also be pleased to provide information and answer any questions throughout the evening. Door opens at 5.30pm.

Note: This date is subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation.

Denbigh School

Summary of oversubscription criteria

Where there are more than 260 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

Children who have an Education Health Care Plan that names Denbigh School will be allocated a place in accordance with statutory regulations.

1. Looked after children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.
2. Priority by Aptitude: 26 places will be available on the basis of aptitude for design and technology and ICT. This is to be assessed by an appropriate aptitude test. The test is to be open to all
3. a) Children of staff who have been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made and/or
   b) Children of staff who are recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. It is at the absolute discretion of the Headteacher to determine when there is a demonstrable skill shortage
4. The remaining places (up to the limit of 260) will be allocated in the following priority order:
   a) pupils who live in the defined (catchment) area and attend a partner school;
   b) pupils who live within the defined (catchment) area of the school;
   c) pupils who attend a partner school;
   d) pupils living outside the defined (catchment) area who have an older sibling currently in attendance at Denbigh School on the date of admission;
   e) other pupils whose parents have made Denbigh School a preferred choice of secondary school.

From criteria 4a onwards, priority will be given to applicants who have an older sibling in attendance at Denbigh School on the date of admission.

In circumstances where the school's admission number has been exceeded and the pupil applications meet the above criteria equally, priority will be given to those young people who live closest to the school measured in a straight line from the school's main entrance to the front door of the child's permanent place of residence. In the case of multi-occupancy residence e.g. a block of flats, this would be measured to the main entrance to the building from the street. This will be done using appropriate computer software which can provide suitably accurate measurements.

Where the software produces the same distance measurement, stairways, corridors and walkways will be measured to the front door of the specific flat or apartment in which the child is permanently resident.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.denbigh.net



Kents Hill Park School

Timbold Drive, Kents Hill, Milton Keynes, MK7 6BZ

Kents Hill Park is an all-through school offering education provision from Reception to year 11.

The catchment area for: Kents Hill Park School Secondary is: Ashland, Beanhill, Netherfield, Simpson, Tinkers Bridge and Woughton Park (all shared with Milton Keynes Academy) and residents of the new development in Kents Hill Park

Key facts

Type of school	Free School Academy
DfE number	8264004
Specialisms/Awards	Not applicable
Admission Authority	Kingsbridge Educational Trust Board of Directors
Age range	3 - 16
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 533290
Website	www.kentshillpark.school
Email	enquiries@kentshillpark.school
Places available for September 2021	150
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	557
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	150 - All applicants offered up to criterion 5 (outside catchment with sibling) and some allocated under criterion 6 (outside catchment) to a distance of 2.414 miles.
Post 16 provision	none

Open Evening - Wednesday 30 September 2020, 5.00 - 7.00pm

Prospective pupils, parents and carers are warmly invited to Kents Hill Park School Open Evening. The Headteacher, Mr. James Pilgrim, will give presentations at 5.30pm and 6:30pm and share the vision, ethos and ambition that drives the development of this exciting new school. High expectations, both academically and pastorally are the cornerstone of the school's development.

Current Year 7 pupils will be pleased to show prospective families around our superb facilities, and there will be the opportunity to meet and discuss with staff the opportunities within and beyond the classroom in this impressive new 'all-through' school. Further details of daytime tours will be available on the evening.

Please note, Open Evening plans may be subject to change due to the COVID-19 pandemic and Government Guidance

This date is subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation.

Kents Hill Park School

Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children who have an Education Health and Care Plan which names the School will be admitted and will count towards the planned admission number.

In the event that there are more applications than places available, applications will be ranked as follows:

1. 'Looked After' children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption or child arrangement order, or special guardianship order.
2. Children who live in Kents Hill Park School defined area and will have a sibling attending Kents Hill Park School* at the time of application with a reasonable expectation that the sibling will be attending at the start of the new academic year of proposed admission
3. a) Children of staff who have been employed at Kents Hill Park School* for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or
   b) Children of staff who are recruited to fill a vacant post at Kents Hill Park School* for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. It is at the absolute discretion of the Chair of the School's Finance & Personnel Committee to determine when there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
4. Children who live in Kents Hill Park School defined area.
5. Children who live outside Kents Hill Park School defined area and will have a sibling attending Kents Hill Park School* at the time of application with a reasonable expectation that the sibling will be attending at the start of the new academic year of proposed admission.
6. All other children

*Where reference is made to Kents Hill Park School, this refers to Kents Hill Park School including both primary and secondary school age children, i.e. from Year R to Year 11.

In the event of there being more applicants meeting any of the above criteria than remaining places available, distance between the applicant's principal residence and Kents Hill Park School will be used as a tie breaker, with those living nearest being given priority. Distance is measured from the main entrance of the Secondary School to the front door of the applicant's residence in a straight line using a computerised measuring system.

For applicants living in flats, the distance will be measured from the relevant main entrance to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the applicant's residence. In other cases, where it is necessary to determine the order of priority between two or more applicants at the same distance, independently supervised random allocation will be used.

In the event that there are two residences at the same distance and it is not possible to distinguish between them, then random allocation will be used to determine priority. Where random allocation is used, it will be independently supervised by a person not connected with the School.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.kentshillpark.school

REMEMBER THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31 October 2020

Lord Grey Academy

Rickley Lane, Bletchley, Milton Keynes, MK3 6EW

The catchment area is: Granby, Old Bletchley, Far Bletchley and West Bletchley. The following roads on Furzton which are also shared with Shenley Brook End School: Arlington Court, Barleycroft, Braybrook Drive, Cheriton, Elmhurst Close, Favell Drive, Grasscroft, Hawkridge, Holmewood, Medeswell, Oakridge, Parkside, Rycroft, The Hedgerows, Winsford Hill and Blackmoor Gate (odd numbers up to 55 and even numbers up to 48).

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8264005
Specialism	Not applicable
Admission Authority	Local Governing Body
Age range	11 - 19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 626110
Website	www.lordgrey.org.uk
Email	enquiries@lordgrey.org.uk
Places available for September 2021	250
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	462
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	270 - All applicants offered up to criterion 4 (attends partner school and in catchment) and some allocated under criterion 5 (outside catchment) to a distance of 1.052 miles.
Local primary schools	Abbeys Primary School Barleyhurst Park Primary School Chestnuts Primary School Cold Harbour C of E School Holne Chase Primary School Rickley Park Primary School St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Primary School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Open evening – Thursday 8th October 2020, 5.30pm to 7.30pm

There will be an opportunity to hear the Principal, Mr Jim Parker, speak at 5.30pm and 6.15pm. This will be followed by a full tour of the Academy led by student ambassadors, to give you a genuine insight in to the Lord Grey Academy experience. On your tour you will have the chance to find out more about our Key Stage 3 curriculum by getting involved in lots of hands-on activities. Staff will be on hand to answer any questions too.

Lord Grey Academy



Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children with an Education Health Care Plan naming Lord Grey Academy will be given priority for admission within the normal admission round at 11 plus.

Where there are more than 250 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

1. 'Children in Care' (looked after children)
2. Children with a sibling in Years 8 – 11 at the time of admission
3. Children living in the defined (catchment) area. Proof of residence will be required
4. Children who currently attend a primary school located in the defined (catchment) area (see local primary schools listed in the key facts table)
5. Children who live outside of the defined (catchment) area.

Places will be allocated in order of the criteria 1 – 5. If demand within a criteria result in the school exceeding its admission number, all applicants in the criteria will be ranked according to distance from school as measured from the school's front gate to the front door of the student's residence in a straight line using the council's computerised measuring system. For prospective students living in flats, the distance will be measured from the school's front gate to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the prospective student's residence. Priority will be given to those living nearer to the school.

Please refer to the academy website for a complete copy of the academy's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.lordgrey.org.uk

REMEMBER THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31 October 2020

Oakgrove School

Venturer Gate, Middleton, Milton Keynes, MK10 9JQ

Oakgrove School is an all-through school offering educational provision for children from Reception to Year 13.

The secondary school defined area is: Atterbury, Broughton, Broughton Gate, Kingston, Middleton including Milton Keynes Village, Monkston, Monkston Park, Oakgrove, Woolstone and Woughton-on-the-Green

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8264703
Specialism	Specialist Humanities Status, Every Child Matters Gold Award, Equalities award; 5 Leading Aspect Awards including for Gifted and Talented provision
Admission Authority	Kingsbridge Educational Trust Board of Directors
Age range	4-19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 545300
Website	www.oakgrove.school
Email	oakgrove@oakgrove.school
Places available for September 2021	300 Children who are already in Year 6 at Oakgrove School at the time the allocation is made will automatically be allocated a place in Year 7 and will count towards the published admission number of 300.
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	1174
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	300 - All applicants offered up to criterion 3 (children of staff) and some allocated under criterion 4(in catchment) to a distance of 1.132 miles. Continuing housing development on Oakgrove may impact on the availability of places for pupils living outside the catchment area. This information is for guidance only.
Local primary schools	Broughton Fields School Middleton Primary School Monkston Primary School St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Open evening – Thursday 1st October 2020, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

The Headteacher, Ian Tett, will give a talk about the school at 6.00pm, 6.45pm and 7.30pm including information on ethos, facilities and admissions. Parents/ Carers will be offered a time to attend the talk upon arrival. There will be guided tours by students. Staff and students will be on hand to provide information and answer questions. Please note, Open Evening plans may be subject to change due to the COVID – 19 pandemic and Government guidance'.

Note: This date is subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation

Oakgrove School

Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children who have an Education Health Care Plan which names Oakgrove School will be admitted and will count towards the planned admission number.

If the number of applications exceeds the number of places remaining, priority will be given to children in the following order:

1. 'Looked After' children or children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order).
2. Children who live in the Oakgrove Secondary School defined area at the time of application and have a sibling attending Oakgrove School1 at the time of application with a reasonable expectation that the sibling will be attending at the start of the new academic year of proposed admission.
3. (a) Children of staff who have been employed at the School for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the School is made, and/or
   b) Children of staff who are recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. It is at the absolute discretion of the School's Chair of the Governing Body Finance, & Personnel Committee to determine when there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
4. Other children who live in the defined area at the time of application.
5. Children who live outside the defined area attending Year 6 at the feeder schools of Middleton Primary School or Monkston Primary School at the time of application with a reasonable expectation that they will be attending until the end of the academic year.
6. Children who live outside the defined area at the time of application, but will have a sibling attending the School[1] at the time of application with a reasonable expectation that the sibling will be attending at the start of the new academic year of proposed admission.
7. Children who live outside the defined area at the time of application and attending one of the other feeder schools within the defined area (other than Middleton Primary School or Monkston Primary School) –Broughton Fields Primary School or St Bernadette's School, with a reasonable expectation that they will be attending until the end of the academic year.
8. Other children who live outside the defined area.

In the event of there being more applicants meeting any of the above criteria than remaining places available, distance between the applicant's principal residence and Oakgrove Secondary School will be used as a tie breaker, with those living nearest being given priority. Distance is measured from the main entrance of Oakgrove Secondary School to the front door of the applicant's residence in a straight line using a computerised measuring system. For applicants living in flats, the distance will be measured from Oakgrove Secondary School's main entrance to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the applicant's residence. Priority will be given to the lower flat door number if more than one applicant from a block of flats. In other cases, where it is necessary to determine the order of priority between 2 or more applicants at the same distance, independently supervised random allocation will be used.

The School will maintain a waiting list. This will be operated in accordance with the applicable admissions criteria and length of time on the list will not be a factor in offering a place. The waiting list will be held for the remainder of the academic year. Children whom the Local Authority approaches the School to admit and who are allocated a place at the School in accordance with the Fair Access Protocol, will take precedence over those already on the waiting list.

Further, and for the avoidance of doubt, a child whose statement of Special Educational Needs or Education Health and Care plan names the School must be admitted and will therefore take precedence over children on the waiting list.

1 – This refers to all year groups at Oakgrove School from Year R to Year 13.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.oakgrove.school

Ousedale School

Newport Pagnell Campus, The Grove, Newport Pagnell, MK16 0BJ
Olney Campus, Aspreys, Olney, MK46 5LF

Ousedale School has two campuses. Children applying for Year 7 are considered for one of the campuses as follows:

Newport Pagnell Campus for children living in: Astwood, Chicheley, Gayhurst, Hardmead, Lathbury, Little Linford, Moulsoe, Newport Pagnell, North Crawley, Sherington and Stoke Goldington.

Olney Campus for children living in: Clifton Reynes, Cold Brayfield, Emberton, Filgrave, Lavendon, Olney, Newton Blossomville, Petsoe, Ravenstone, Tyringham, Warrington and Weston Underwood.

Pupils living outside of the defined (catchment) area are considered for the Campus that they live closest to.

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8264018
Specialism	Music
Admission Authority	Board of Academy Directors
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	If you would like your child to be considered for a place on grounds of aptitude for music, you will need to register to take the aptitude assessment. Deadline for applications to take the musical aptitude assessment: Monday 21st September 2020; full details are on the school website. The aptitude assessment will take place on Monday 5th October 2020.
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 210203 (Newport Pagnell Campus) 01234 717480 (Olney Campus)
Website	www.ousedale.org.uk
Email	admin@ousedale.org.uk
Places available for September 2021	360
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	755
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	360 - All applicants offered up to criterion 3 (children of staff) and some allocated under criterion 4 (aptitude). This admissions trend is typical of recent years. This information is for guidance only.
Local (feeder) primary schools	**For Newport Pagnell Campus:** Cedars Primary School, Green Park School, Portfields Combined School, Tickford Park Primary School **For Olney Campus:** Lavendon School, Olney Middle School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Ousedale School

Open evening – Wednesday 7th October 2020, 6.00pm to 7.30pm (Olney Campus)

Open evening – Thursday 8th October 2020, 6.00pm to 8.30pm (Newport Pagnell Campus)

The event will include a presentation by the Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team about the school's ethos and admissions process. There will also be a tour of the school visiting different departmental areas where teachers and students will be on hand to speak to.

The evening at the Newport Pagnell Campus for parents and children from **Cedars Primary School** and **Portfields Combined School** will start at::

- 6.00pm with a tour of the school with student guides and then a presentation in the main hall at 7.30pm.

The evening at the Newport Pagnell Campus for parents and children from **Tickford Park Primary School, Green Park School** and **non-feeder schools** will start at:

- 6.30pm with a presentation in the main hall and then a tour of the school with student guides at 7.00pm.

Applications are made to Ousedale School as a whole and no preference for campus allocation can be made at the time of application. Students are allocated Newport Pagnell Campus or Olney Campus depending on their permanent residential address and campus availability.

Important Note: As Ousedale School is a dual campus school, the Admissions Authority may offer a place at the alternative campus if the campus designated according to an applicant's address is full. If this offer of a place is refused, applicants' names cannot be placed on the waiting list for an alternative campus and there is no right of appeal.

Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children with an Education Health Care Plan naming Ousedale School will be given priority for admission within the normal admission round at 11 plus.

Where there are more than 360 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

1. Looked after Children / Previously Looked After Children (children who were looked after but ceased to be because they were adopted or became subject to a residence or special guardianship order - proof will be required)
2. Children who live in the area served by the school – the defined (catchment) area. Proof of residence will be required
3. Children of staff at the school (where the member of staff has been employed at Ousedale School for at least two years at the time of application for admission, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. The Headteacher determines where there is a demonstrable skill shortage)
4. Priority by Aptitude – up to 36 places will be available on the basis of aptitude for Music. Applicants will be assessed and ranked according to an aptitude assessment administered at and by the school#.
5. Children who, during the school week, live with an older brother or sister still in attendance in Years 8-11 at the time of admission (brother or sister includes adopted children, step-brother or step-sister via parental marriage/permanent partner, and half-brother or half-sister sharing a biological parent)
6. Children attending a feeder school which is in the school's defined (catchment) area
7. Children who live outside the school's defined (catchment) area

In the event of oversubscription in any category above, the places will be allocated according to the proximity of the applicant's main residence to the school's nearest entrance gate of the designated campus measuring the distance in a straight line using the council's computerised measuring programme.

For applicants living in flats, the distance will be measured from the school's nearest entrance gate of the designated campus to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the applicant's main residence. Where two or more students live at the same distance, the tie-breaker will be random allocation. This process will be independently supervised.

Please refer to the school's website to find out how to apply for a place at the school based on musical aptitude.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.ousedale.org.uk

St Paul's Catholic School

Phoenix Drive, Leadenhall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5EN

The catchment area is: Roman Catholic children living in Milton Keynes and children of other Christian denominations with support from their vicar or minister. The school also serves parishes in Leighton Buzzard, Woburn Sands, Buckingham and Winslow.

Key facts

Type of school	Voluntary Aided
DfE number	8264702
Specialism	Specialist Training School, Science College and Language College Status
Admission Authority	Governing Body
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Resource base for sensory impaired pupils, hearing and visual impairment
Telephone	01908 669735
Website	www.st-pauls.org.uk
Email	enquiries@st-pauls.org.uk
Places available for September 2021	270
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	564
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	300 - All applicants offered up to criterion G3 (multiple births) and some allocated under criterion G4 (lottery). This information is for guidance only.
Local (partner) primary schools	Bishop Parker Catholic School St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School St Mary Magdalene Catholic Primary School St Monica's Catholic Primary School St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Primary School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Open evening – Tuesday 6 October 2020, 6.30pm to 8.30pm

An opportunity to see St Paul's at work and to meet pupils and staff. There will be guided tours or you will be free to wander and see the school as you wish. The Headteacher, Jo-Anne Hoarty, will talk in the theatre at 6.45pm and 7.30pm.

Note: This date is subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation

Note: If you are applying for a place at St Paul's Catholic School, the school will send you a supplementary form which must be completed and returned to the school by Friday 11 December 2020.

St Paul's Catholic School

Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children with an Education Health Care Plan naming St Paul's Catholic School will be given priority for admission within the normal admission round at 11 plus.

Where there are more than 270 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

A. Catholic looked after children or who have been previously looked after. Parents or carers must provide a copy of the child's baptismal certificate

B. Catholic children who belong to families vouched for by their Parish Priest as practising their religion. Parents must provide a copy of their child's baptismal certificate. (Parish Priests may vouch for catechumens under this criterion)

C. Other looked after children or children who have been previously looked after

D. Children of members of staff who have had a contract of employment with the Governors' of St Paul's for at least two years when the application is made.

E. Members of other Christian churches whose parents seek a specifically Christian element in their child's secondary education, whose application is supported by a letter from the vicar or minister of the church they attend. The letter must say that the family are known to practice their religion and that the vicar or minster is happy for the child to be educated in a Catholic school. (There will be 30 places available to applicants in this category initially. If there are any places still available after allocations are made in category E, then further places will be made available in this category up to the published admission number)

F. Other Catholic children not known to their Parish Priest whose application is supported by a copy of their baptismal certificate

G. Any other child.

Within each criterion places will be allocated in the following order:

1. Siblings of pupils who will be on roll in September 2021.
2. Children on roll at one of the Catholic Partner Primary Schools in Milton Keynes when the application is made. A list of partner schools can be found in the key facts table.
3. Multiple births: In cases where there is one remaining place available and the next child is one of a twin, triplet or other multiple birth group, both twins would be admitted (or all siblings in the case of multiple births) even if this goes above the admission number for the school.
4. In any situation where the application of the above criteria results in more children with an equal right to admission to the school than the number of available places, the tie-break will be made by a lottery. The names of all those with an equal right to admission will be allocated to numbered counters. These will then be drawn and the order in which they are drawn will give the order of priority for the allocation of the places available. The places will be allocated, in order, up to the number of places available. This process will be carried out under the supervision of an independent observer from the Education Access Team of Milton Keynes Council.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.st-pauls.org.uk

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Shenley Brook End School

Walbank Grove, Shenley Brook End, Milton Keynes, MK5 7ZT

The catchment area is: Emerson Valley, Furzton, Shenley Brook End, Tattenhoe and Westcroft.
Note: The following roads on Furzton are also shared with Lord Grey School: Arlington Court, Barleycroft, Braybrook Drive, Cheriton, Elmhurst Close, Favell Drive, Grasscroft, Hawkridge, Holmewood, Medeswell, Oakridge, Parkside, Rycroft, The Hedgerows, Winsford Hill and Blackmoor Gate (odd numbers up to 55 and even numbers up to 48).

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8264097
Specialism	Mathematics, Computing and Science Specialist College Status, Leadership and Training Centre
Admission Authority	Board of Academy Directors (5 Dimensions Trust)
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 520264
Website	www.sbeschool.org.uk
Email	enquiries@sbeschool.org.uk
Places available for admission in September 2021	300
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	1003
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	300 - All applicants offered up to criterion 5 (children of staff) and some allocated under criterion 6 (outside catchment) to a distance of 1.175 miles. This information is for guidance only.
Local primary schools Note: Children attending local primary schools are not given priority for admission	Emerson Valley Junior School Giles Brook Primary School Long Meadow School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Open evening – Thursday 8 October 2020, 6.00pm – 8.15pm

There will be an opportunity to tour the school and find out from staff and students about life at Shenley Brook End School. You will be able to see our excellent facilities including our recent addition of new science labs, classrooms, library and theatre. Visitors will be able to meet and talk to current students about their experience of our approach to learning. The headteacher's presentation will take place in our theatre at regular intervals during the evening; you will be offered a time on arrival to link with your school tour. Please enter the school via the main doors from 6.00pm onwards and allow time to park as space is limited.

Note: This date is subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation

Shenley Brook End School



Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children with an Education Health Care Plan naming Shenley Brook End School will be given priority for admission within the normal admission round at 11 plus.

Where there are more than 300 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

1. Looked after Children – this includes children who were in care but have since been adopted or become subject to a residence order or special guardianship order.
2. Pupils who live within the defined (catchment) area and who have a sibling in years 8 – 11 at the time of admission. Proof of residence will be required.
3. Pupils who live in the area served by the school – the defined (catchment) area. Proof of residence will be required.
4. Pupils who live outside of the school's defined (catchment) area but have a sibling in years 8 – 11 in attendance at the time of admission.
5. Children of staff where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made.
6. Pupils living outside of the defined (catchment) area.

In the event of oversubscription in any category above, the places will be allocated according to the proximity of the child's main residence to the school's main entrance measuring the distance in a straight line by a computer using a geographical information system. For applicants living in flats, the distance will be measured in a straight line from the school's main entrance, to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the child's main residence.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.sbeschool.org.uk

Sir Herbert Leon Academy

Fern Grove, Bletchley, Milton Keynes, MK2 3HQ

The catchment area is: Central Bletchley east of the railway line, Fenny Stratford, Water Eaton, Little Brickhill and Newton Leys.

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8264002
Admission Authority	Board of Academy Directors
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs base	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 624720
Website	www.shlacademy.org
Email	enquiries@shlacademy.org
Places available for September 2021	180
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	126
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	155 - All applicants offered a place plus additional children not allocated a preferred school. This admission trend is typical of recent years. This information is for guidance only.
Local (partner) primary schools	Drayton Park Primary School Knowles Primary School Newton Leys Primary School The Premier Academy Water Hall Primary School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Open evening – Monday 5th October 2020, 5.00pm to 7.30pm

Our open evening will begin at 5.00pm with a presentation from the new Principal who will share the vision of Sir Herbert Leon Academy and our commitment to providing your child with a 'World Class Education', helping them to achieve both academically and through their talents outside of the classroom. The Principal's presentation will be repeated throughout the evening. Our students and staff will assist with tours of the school facilities with demonstrations and discussions in each faculty area. So come along and find out more about the exciting changes that are happening at our academy, meet our dedicated staff and friendly students and get a sense of the incredible time that your child will have at Sir Herbert Leon. We look forward to welcoming you to a very different and brand new Sir Herbert Leon Academy.

Note: This date is subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation

Sir Herbert Leon Academy

Summary of oversubscription criteria



Children with an Education Health Care Plan naming Sir Herbert Leon Academy will be given priority for admission within the normal admission round at 11 plus.

Where there are more than 180 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children. A looked after child 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. A previously looked after child is a child who was adopted or subject to a residence order, or special guardianship order, immediately following having been looked after
2. Children living in the defined (catchment) area and who have a sibling in years 8 to 11 attending Sir Herbert Leon Academy at the time of admission. Proof of residence will be required
3. Children living in the defined (catchment) area. Proof of residence will be required
4. Children attending one of Sir Herbert Leon Academy's partner schools (also known as feeder schools) which are:
   a. Knowles Primary School
   b. The Premier Academy
   c. Drayton Park School
   d. Water Hall Primary School
   e. Newton Leys primary School
5. Children attending Charles Warren Academy (a partner AET primary academy)
6. Children living outside the defined (catchment) area but with a sibling in years 8 to 11 attending Sir Herbert Leon Academy
7. Children living outside the defined (catchment) area.

In the event of oversubscription under any of the criteria above, places will be allocated to those children living closest to Sir Herbert Leon Academy as measured in a straight line from the front door of the child's home to the school's main entrance gate, using the council's computerised measuring system. For applicants living in flats the distance will be measured in a straight line from the school's main entrance to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the child's main residence.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.shlacademy.org

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Stantonbury International School

Purbeck, Stantonbury, Milton Keynes, MK14 6BN

The catchment area is: Bancroft, Bancroft Park, Blakelands, Blue Bridge, Bolbeck Park, Bradville, Bradwell, Bradwell Common, Campbell Park (north of the park), Castlethorpe, Central Milton Keynes (north), Conniburrow, Downhead Park, Downs Barn, Giffard Park, Great Linford, Hanslope, Haversham, Heelands, Neath Hill, New Bradwell, Oakridge Park, Pennyland, Redhouse Park, Stantonbury, Stantonbury Fields, Willen and Willen Park

Note: The villages of Castlethorpe, Hanslope and Haversham are also in the catchment area of The Radcliffe School.

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8264003
Specialism	Specialist provision in sport and the arts (ArtsMark Gold Award, SportsMark Gold Award, Mandarin Excellence Pathways, UNICEF Rights Respecting School, Investing in Community Engagement quality mark)
Admission Authority	Board of Academy Directors
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	No aptitude testing.
Additionally resourced special needs bases	• Resource base for pupils with special educational needs • Resource base for pupils with an Education Health Care Plan or Statement for social communication difficulties • Resource base for pupils with an Education Health Care Plan or Statement for speech and language difficulties • Resource base for pupils with English as an additional language
Telephone	01908 324400
Website	www.stantonbury-gst.org
Email	enquiries@stantonbury.org.uk
Places available for September 2021	360
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	340
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	325 - All applicants offered a place plus additional children not allocated a preferred school
Local (partner) primary schools	Bradwell Village School, Brooksward School, Giffard Park Primary School, Great Linford Primary School, Hanslope School, New Bradwell School, Southwood School, Stanton School, Summerfield School, Willen Primary School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Stantonbury International School

Open Evening – Wednesday 23rd September 2020

Our Open Evenings give prospective parents and students an opportunity to see the school at work. Following social distancing guidance there will be presentations by the Head and other senior staff in our Stantonbury Theatre to talk about Stantonbury International School's transformation - our commitment to excellence, independence, independent learning and the outstanding opportunities we offer in sport and the arts. During the evening there will also be performances, presentations and student ambassadors to tell you about life and learning here at Stantonbury International School.

Induction Evening – Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th June 2021. A welcome and parental information.

Induction Days – Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th July 2021. A two day welcome to Stantonbury International School for all our new Year 7 students.

Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children with an Education Health Care Plan naming Stantonbury International School will be given priority for admission within the normal admission round at 11 plus. Where there are more than 360 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

1. Looked after Children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order
2. Young people living in the listed areas with a sibling in attendance in Years 8 to 11 at the campus at the date of admission and attending one of the named partner schools
3. Children of staff who have been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or children who are recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. It is at the absolute discretion of the Principal to determine when there is a demonstrable skill shortage
4. Young people living in the listed areas with a sibling in attendance in Years 8 to 11 at the campus at the date of admission
5. Young people living in the listed areas and attending one of the named partner schools
6. Young people living in the listed areas
7. Young people living outside the listed areas with a sibling in attendance in Years 8 – 11 at the campus at the date of admission and attending one of the named partner schools
8. Young people living outside the listed areas with a sibling in attendance in Years 8 to 11 at the campus at the date of admission
9. Young people living outside the listed areas and attending one of the named partner schools
10. Other young people living outside the listed areas.

In the event of oversubscription in any category above, the places will be allocated according to the proximity of the child's main residence to the campus' main reception measuring the distance in a straight line using the council's computerised measuring system

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.stantonbury-gst.org

The Hazeley Academy

Emperor Drive, Hazeley, Milton Keynes, MK8 0PT

The catchment area is: Grange Farm, Kingsmead, Medbourne, Oakhill, Oxley Park, and Tattenhoe Park

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8264704
Specialism	Specialist Science College
Admission Authority	The Board of Academy Governors
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 555620
Website	www.thehazeleyacademy.com
Email	enquiries@thehazeleyacademy.com
Places available for September 2021	240
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	945
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	240 - All applicants offered up to criterion 7 (outside catchment with sibling) and some under criterion 8 (outside catchment) to a distance of 2.303 miles.
Local (partner) primary schools	Christ the Sower Ecumenical Primary School Oxley Park Academy Priory Rise School Two Mile Ash School
Post 16 Provision	Contact school direct

Open Evening – Tuesday 29th September 2020, doors open at 5.45pm

Prospective Students, Parents and Carers are warmly invited to attend The Hazeley Academy Open Evening. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience the unique and exciting learning journey Hazeley offers. Hazeley's vision is to embed Character, Confidence and Creativity in all students to provide them with the skills and academic results required for their future.

Presentations from the Principal start at 6.00pm, 6.45pm and 7.30pm. Students will offer guided tours throughout the evening to showcase Hazeley's facilities, offering opportunities to speak with teaching staff.

Daytime tours are also available on request.

Note: The format and/or date is subject to change depending on the Covid-19 situation and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation.

The Hazeley Academy



Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children with an Education Health Care Plan naming The Hazeley Academy will be given priority for admission within the normal admission round at 11 plus.

Where there are more than 240 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

1. Children in care – looked after children including children that were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order
2. Children who appear to the admission authority of the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
3. Children who live in the defined (catchment) area and have a sibling attending the Academy at the time of application. Proof of residence is required.
4. a) Children of staff who have been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made, and/or

   b) Children of Staff who are recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. It is at the absolute discretion of the Board of Directors to determine when there is a demonstrable skills shortage.
5. Children attending partner primary schools
6. Children who live in the defined (catchment) area served by the Academy. Proof of residence will be required
7. Children who live outside of the Academy's defined (catchment) area and have a sibling attending the Academy at the time of application
8. Children living outside of the defined (catchment) area.

In the event of there being more applicants meeting any of the above criteria than places available, proximity to the Academy will be used as a tie breaker with places being allocated according to distance from the Academy as measured in a straight line from the Academy's main entrance to the student's normal home address, using the council's computerised measuring system.

For prospective students living in flats or multi occupancy dwellings, the distance will be measured from the Academy's main entrance to the front door of the prospective student's residence. In the event of there being two or more applicants at a flat or multi occupancy dwelling vying for the last available place, the tie breaker of a random lottery will be used.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.thehazeleyacademy.com

REMEMBER THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31 October 2020

The Milton Keynes Academy

Fulwoods Drive, Leadenhall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5LA

The catchment area is: Ashland, Beanhill, Campbell Park south of the park, Central Milton Keynes (south), Coffee Hall, Eaglestone, Fishermead, Leadenhall, Netherfield, Oldbrook, Passmore, Peartree Bridge, Simpson, Springfield, The Hub, Tinkers Bridge, Woolstone, Woughton on the Green and Woughton Park

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8266905
Specialism	Business and Enterprise Status
Admission Authority	The Milton Keynes Academy / Creative Education Trust
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 341700
Website	www.miltonkeynesacademy.co.uk
Email	info@miltonkeynesacademy.co.uk
Places available for September 2021	240
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	238
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	204 – All applicants offered a place plus additional children not allocated a preferred school.
Local primary schools Note – children attending local primary schools are not given priority for admission	Charles Warren Academy, Falconhurst School, Jubilee Wood, Primary School, Langland Community School, New Chapter Primary School, Orchard Academy
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Open evening – Wednesday 7th October 2020, 4.00pm to 7.00pm

We invite prospective students, parents and carers to meet with our staff, talk with our learners and immerse themselves in the vibrancy of our Academy. We foster an inclusive environment in which there are opportunities for all to succeed, both academically and vocationally. It is a time when you can explore what our mission statement, 'Opportunities for Everyone' will mean for your child and the enrichment experiences they will have joining a Creative Education Trust school.

Whilst Ofsted recognises that we are a 'Good' Academy, we continue to strive for excellence. We offer teaching that is tailored to meet the needs of our learners, in a climate conducive to learning. We consider ourselves to be a forward-thinking establishment and pride ourselves on promoting employability skills. Our mission is to steer our students to achieve, be adaptable and resilient at a time of considerable change.

Our belief is that regardless of a student's starting point in life, they deserve the opportunity to flourish. We are aspirational on behalf of our students and have forged links with businesses in order to equip our students with the tools needed to prepare them for life beyond school.

Come and join us and experience our ethos for yourselves!

Note: This date is subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation. Depending on the Covid-19 guidance at the time, this may be a virtual event.

The Milton Keynes Academy



Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children who have a statement of special educational needs, or an Educational Healthcare Plan (EHCP), naming the Milton Keynes Academy will be given priority for admission on secondary transfer at 11+.

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the published admission number, applications will be considered against the criteria set out below:-

a. 'Looked After' children and children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order immediately after being looked after.

b. Children who live in the defined area and have a sibling attending the school at the time of application with a reasonable expectation that the sibling will be attending at the start of the new academic year of proposed admission.

c. Children who live in the defined area: Ashland, Beanhill, Campbell Park, Central Milton Keynes (south of Silbury Boulevard), Coffee Hall, Eaglestone, Fishermead, Leadenhall, Netherfield, Oldbrook, Passmore, Peartree Bridge, Simpson, Springfield, The Hub, Tinkers Bridge, Woolstone, Woughton on the Green, Woughton Park. Proof of residence is required.

d. Children who live outside the defined area, but have a sibling attending the school at the time of application with a reasonable expectation that the sibling will be attending at the start of the new academic year of proposed admission.

e. Children who live outside the defined area.

Sibling criteria:
A sibling is a brother or sister, which for admission purposes means brothers and sisters of whole or half blood or any other child (including an adopted child) who permanently resides at the same address and for whom the parent also has parental responsibility.

Multiple births:
In cases where there is one remaining place available and the next child on the waiting list is one of a twin, triplet or other multiple birth groups, the following will apply:

Both twins would be admitted (or all the siblings in the case of multiple births) even if this goes above the admission number for the school.

In the event of oversubscription in any category above, places will be allocated according to the proximity of the child's principal residence to the Academy's main entrance by the nearest available walking route, as measured using the LA's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the Academy receiving the higher priority.

The Milton Keynes Academy

Oversubscription: Distance Tiebreaker:

In the event of there being more applicants meeting any of the above criteria than remaining places available, distance between the applicant's principal residence and the school will be used as a tiebreaker, with those living nearest being given priority.

Distance from the school is measured from the Academy's main entrance to the front door of the applicant's principal residence in a straight line using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system. For applicants living in flats, the distance will be measured from the school's main entrance to the front door of the ground floor flat underneath the applicant's principal residence with priority given to the lower flat door number if more than one applicant from a block of flats.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.miltonkeynesacademy.org.uk

REMEMBER THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31 October 2020

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The Radcliffe School

Aylesbury Street West, Wolverton, Milton Keynes, MK12 5BT

The catchment area is: Calverton, Galley Hill, Fullers Slade, Greenleys, Hodge Lea, Stacey Bushes, Stony Stratford, Wolverton. The villages of Castlethorpe, Hanslope and Haversham which are also in the defined area for Stantonbury International

Key facts

Type of school	Foundation
DfE number	8265406
Specialism	Specialist Sports College
Admission Authority	Governing Body
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Resource base for pupils with social communication difficulties
Telephone	01908 682222
Website	www.radcliffeschool.org.uk
Email	admin@radcliffeschool.org.uk
Places available for September 2021	210
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	385
Number of places offered on offer date (for admissions for September 2020)	210 – All applicants offered up to criterion 6 (outside catchment and attends feeder school) and some under criterion 7 (outside catchment) up to a distance of 0.885 miles.
Local (feeder) primary schools	Bushfield School Greenleys Junior School Hanslope Primary School (see also Stantonbury International) St Mary and St Giles CE Aided Primary School
Post 16 provision	Contact school direct

Open evening – Thursday 8 October 2020

The evening will consist of a welcome and Introduction by the Headteacher, at 6:30pm which will focus on the school's ethos and commitment to success for each student, followed by the chance to tour the school where students can engage with activities across the curriculum areas. Students and staff will be available to provide information and answer questions throughout the evening.

Note: This date is subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation

The Radcliffe School



Summary of oversubscription criteria

Children with an Education Health Care Plan naming The Radcliffe School will be given priority for admission within the normal admission round at 11 plus.

Where there are more than 210 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

1. Looked after children
2. Children who live in the area served by the school with a brother or sister in attendance at the school at the date of admission. Proof of residence will be required
3. Pupils living in the area served by the school. Proof of residence will be required
4. Children of staff at the school. Where a member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made and/or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstratable skill shortage.
5. Pupils living outside the defined (catchment) area served by the school with a brother or sister in attendance at the school at the date of admission
6. Pupils living outside the defined (catchment) area served by the school and attending one of the named feeder schools
7. Other young people living outside the defined (catchment) area served by the school.

In the event of oversubscription, once a place has been allocated under the criteria above, the remaining places will be awarded according to the proximity of the child's home to the school's main entrance gate measured in a straight line using the council's computerised measuring system with those living closest to the school receiving the higher priority.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.radcliffeschool.org.uk

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Walton High

Walnut Tree Campus, Fyfield Barrow, Walnut Tree, Milton Keynes, MK7 7WH
Brooklands Campus, Fen Street, Brooklands, Milton Keynes MK10 7HE

The catchment area is: Walnut Tree, Kents Hill, Kents Hill Park, Wavendon Gate, Browns Wood, Old Farm Park, Caldecotte, Walton Park, Walton, Walton Hall, Walton Manor, Wavendon, Simpson, Ashlands, Bow Brickhill, Little Brickhill, Woburn Sands, Aspley Guise, Aspley Heath, Broughton Gate (including MK10 7** postcodes), Brooklands, Salford & Hulcote, Willen, Willen Park, Campbell Park and Strategic Land Areas (SLAs)

Priority for Walnut Tree Campus will be given to those children living in Walnut Tree, Kents Hill, Kents Hill Park, Wavendon Gate, Browns Wood, Old Farm Park, Caldecotte, Walton Park, Walton, Walton Hall, Walton Manor, Wavendon, Simpson, Ashland, Bow Brickhill, Little Brickhill, Woburn Sands, Aspley Guise and Aspley Heath

Priority for Brooklands Campus will be given to those children living in Brooklands, Broughton Gate, Salford & Hulcote, Willen, Willen Park, Campbell Park and Strategic Land Areas (SLAs)

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	8264000
Specialism	Training School, National Support School and Business and Enterprise Specialism
Admission Authority	MKET Board of Trustees
Age range	11-19
Testing for aptitude	Not applicable
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 677954
Website	www.waltonhigh.org.uk
Email	mail@mket.org.uk
Places available for September 2021	480
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	983
Number of places offered on offer date (for admissions for September 2020)	480 - All applicants offered up to criterion 10 (outside catchment and attends feeder school) and some under criterion 11 (outside catchment) to a distance of 2.84 miles.
MKET Trust Partner Schools	Heronsgate School New Chapter Primary School
Walton Partnership Schools	Wavendon Gate School Bow Brickhill CoE Primary School St Mary's Wavendon CoE Primary School Brooklands Farm Primary School

Walton High



WALTON HIGH – Brooklands Campus MK10 7HE – Saturday 10 October 2020 10.00am - 12.00 midday

Families with surnames beginning A-L should enter via Main Reception and go to the Hall for a talk by the Principal at 10.15am. There will be an opportunity to tour the school, meeting students and staff, after the presentation.

Families with surnames beginning M-Z should enter via the student entrance where they will have an opportunity to tour the school. The tour will be followed by a presentation by the Principal at 12.00 noon. There will not be an opportunity to tour the school after this final presentation.

WALTON HIGH – Walnut Tree Campus MK7 7WH – Saturday 17 October 2020 10.00am - 12.00 midday

Families with surnames beginning A-L should enter via The Venue entrance off Hindhead Knoll and go to the auditorium for a talk by the Principal at 10.15am. There will be an opportunity to tour the school, meeting students and staff, after the presentation.

Families with surnames beginning M-Z should enter via the Walton High - Reception entrance off Fyfield Barrow where they will have an opportunity to tour the school. The tour will be followed by a presentation by the Principal at 12.00 noon. There will not be an opportunity to tour the school after this final presentation.

Applications are made to Walton High as a whole and no preference for campus allocation can be made at the time of application. Students are allocated Walnut Tree Campus or Brooklands Campus depending on their permanent residential address.

Important note: As Walton High is a dual campus school, the Admissions Authority may offer a place at the alternative campus if the campus designated according to an applicant's address if full. If this offer of a place is refused, applicants' names cannot be placed on the waiting list for an alternative campus and there is no right of appeal. Walton High does have a process in place for parents to request a campus transfer should they prefer their child to attend the other campus. Please note that depending on numbers and individual circumstances, not all requests for transfers can be met.

Summary of oversubscription criteria

In the event that there are more applications received than there are places available and admissions to Walton High are over-subscribed, the following criteria will be used to allocate places:

1) Children who have an Education Health and Care Plan that names Walton High will be allocated a place in accordance with national regulations.
2) 'Looked After' children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order.

3) Children of staff who are employed by Milton Keynes Education Trust where at least one of the following conditions is met:
   a) which the application for admission to the school is made or
   b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
4) Children living within the defined (catchment) area who will have a sibling still in attendance at Walton High in Years 8 to 13 at the time of admission.
5) Children attending a school that is part of Milton Keynes Education Trust (MKET) and living in the defined area.
6) Children attending a Walton High partner school and living in the defined area. Partner schools are:
   a) Wavendon Gate School
   b) Bow Brickhill CoE Primary School
   c) St Mary's Wavendon CoE Primary School
   d) Brooklands Farm Primary School
7) Children who live in Walton High's defined (catchment) area
8) Children living outside the defined area attending a Milton Keynes Education Trust school.
9) Children living outside the defined area with a sibling still in attendance in Years 8 to 13 at the time of admission.
10) Children attending a Walton High partner school and living outside the defined area. Partner schools are:
   a) Wavendon Gate School
   b) Bow Brickhill CoE Primary School
   c) St Mary's CoE Primary School, Wavendon
   d) Brooklands Farm Primary School
11) Children living outside the defined area

In the event of over subscription to either or both sites, including over subscription within any category above, remaining places will be awarded according to the proximity of the child's main residence to the main entrance gate of the school site that the child will be attending. This will be done using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority.

Please refer to the school's website for a complete copy of the school's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.waltonhigh.org.uk

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Watling Academy

Barrosa Way, Whitehouse, Milton Keynes, MK8 1EP

The defined (catchment) area is: Whitehouse, Whitehouse Park, Fairfields, Upper Weald, Middle Weald, Lower Weald and Calverton.

Watling Academy is a new school that opened in September 2020, moving into its main site on Barrosa Way, Whitehouse in Spring 2021.

Key facts

Type of school	Academy
DfE number	826/4007
Specialism	Not applicable
Admission Authority	The Denbigh Alliance Multi Academy Trust, Board of Trustees
Age range	11 - 16
Additionally resourced special needs bases	Not applicable
Telephone	01908 330518
Website	www.watling.academy
Email	admin@watling.academy
Places available for September 2021	300
Number of preferences received for admission in September 2020	383
Number of places offered on offer date (2 March 2020)	180 - All applicants offered a place plus additional children not allocated a preferred school.
Partner schools	Fairfields Primary School Whitehouse Primary School
Post 16 provision	Not available

Watling Academy is part of the Denbigh Alliance Multi-Academy Trust alongside Denbigh School. Watling Academy is a community based upon Respect, Responsibility and Kindness. Our broad curriculum includes Maths, Science, English, Humanities, Languages, Creative and Performing Arts, Technology and Computing and is underpinned by an ethos enabling our students to learn about the importance of STEM, the history and development of Milton Keynes and the global challenges posed to our environment.

Open evening – Wednesday 14th October 2020 at Denbigh School

The Head of School, Mr Ian Bacon, will give presentations at 6:30pm and 7:30pm about the school ethos and commitment to success for each of its students. Timed tickets will be issued to parents on arrival for each presentation. Doors open at 6:00pm.

Note: The date and venue are subject to change and parents/carers are advised to check the school's website for confirmation (www.watling.academy)

Watling Academy

Summary of oversubscription criteria

Where there are more than 300 applications there is oversubscription and the following criteria will apply:

Children who have an Education Health Care Plan that names Watling Academy will be allocated a place in accordance with statutory regulations.

1. 'Looked After' children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement, or special guardianship order.
2. The remaining places (up to the limit of 300) will be allocated in the following priority order:
   a. Pupils who live in the defined area, attend a partner school and have a sibling currently on roll at Watling Academy;
   b. Pupils who live in the defined area and attend a partner school;
   c. Pupils who live within the defined area of the academy and have a sibling currently on roll at Watling Academy;
   d. Pupils who live within the defined area of the academy;
   e. Pupils who attend a partner school and have a sibling currently on roll at Watling Academy;
   f. Pupils who attend a partner school
3. Children of staff who are recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. It is at the absolute discretion of the Head of School to determine when there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
4. Other pupils whose parents have made Watling Academy a preferred choice of secondary school.

In circumstances where the academy's admission number has been exceeded and the pupil applications meet the above criteria equally, priority will be given to those young people who live closest to the academy measured in a straight line from the academy's main entrance to the front door of the child's permanent place of residence. In the case of multi- occupancy residence e.g. a block of flats, this would be measured to the main entrance to the building from the street. This will be done using appropriate computer software which can provide suitably accurate measurements. Where the software produces the same distance measurement, stairways, corridors and walkways will be measured to the front door of the specific flat or apartment in which the child is permanently resident.

Please refer to the academy's website for a complete copy of the academy's oversubscription criteria for Year 7 in September 2021 at www.watling.academy



Section E
Neighbouring authorities

Bedfordshire

School Admissions Service
Bedford Borough Council
Borough Hall
Cauldwell Street
Bedford
MK42 9AP

Telephone: 01234 718120
Website: www.bedford.gov.uk
Email: admissions@bedford.gov.uk

School Admissions Service
Central Bedfordshire Council
Watling House
High Street North
Dunstable
LU6 1LF

Telephone: 0300 300 8037
Website: www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk
Email: admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

Buckinghamshire

The Admissions and Transport Team
Achievement and Learning
Buckinghamshire County Council
County Hall
Walton Street
Aylesbury
Bucks
HP20 1UA
Website: www.buckscc.gov.uk
Email: admissions@buckscc.gov.uk

Northamptonshire

School Admissions
Northamptonshire County Council
PO Box 216
John Dryden House
The Lakes
Northampton
NN4 7DD

Telephone: 0300 126 1000
Website: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk
Email: admissions@northamptonshire.gov.uk

Section F
Glossary of terms

Some of the words or terms often used in admissions are explained below.

Admissions authority	The body responsible for setting and applying the admission arrangements for a school. This is either the Local Authority (for community and voluntary controlled schools) or the governing body/academy trust (for foundation and voluntary aided schools and academies)
Admissions criteria	Each admissions authority sets criteria, which are a list of rules enabling the applications to be put into priority order if the school is oversubscribed.
Allocation	The place given to your child at one of your ranked schools or, if that is not possible, an alternative school. The council will write to you confirming the place. Following this, the school will provide you with further information about admission including details of induction days so your child gets to know his or her new school.
Appeals	An independent process that will consider your appeal case when a preferred school place has not been allocated.
Choice or preference	A parental preference for a particular school. There is no right to choose a school. However, parents can state four ranked preferences for schools when submitting an application. If there are enough places at the highest ranked school all applicants will be allocated a place. If a school is oversubscribed your request may be refused and, if possible, a place offered at one of your lower ranked schools.
Co-ordinated admission scheme	All local authorities are required by law to co-ordinate admissions for all schools in their area for the main admissions rounds.
Feeder/Partner school	A primary or junior school identified in a school's admissions arrangements as a feeder / partner school. Some schools give a higher priority for admission if a child attends one of their named feeder / partner schools. Parents should check each individual school's admission arrangements.
Governing body	All schools and academies have a governing body, which often includes parents. Their key roles are setting strategic direction, ensuring accountability, monitoring and evaluation.
Home Local Authority	A child's home local authority is the authority in which they live, i.e. the authority to which council tax is paid.
In-area and out-area	A defined geographical area used to decide which applications are given priority to attend a particular school. This is known as a 'catchment area'.

Independent Admission Appeals Panel	A panel of at least 3 people who will decide whether or not to allow an appeal. The panel must be entirely independent of the admissions authority.
In year admissions	The term used when a parent requests a change of school for their child, at any time other than during the main admissions rounds.
Joint custody arrangements	Where the childcare arrangements are shared jointly between both parents.
Late applications	Applications made after the closing dates in the main admissions rounds.
Looked after children	Children who are in the care of the Local Authority as defined by Section 22 of the Children Act 1989.
Previously looked after children	Children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order.
Multiple births	Twins, triplets or other multiple birth group
Nearest appropriate school	The nearest school to your home with a place that will meet your child's educational need, this could be your catchment school.
Normal home address	The address where you live with your child or the address where your child lives with someone who has legal care and control of your child. Proof of such an arrangement will be required
National offer day	The date on which local authorities post letters to parents offering school places. For the 2021 main admissions round, national offer day for secondary places is 1 March 2021.
Oversubscription	A school is oversubscribed when the total number of applications received is higher than the number of available places in the year group requested.
Parent	The definition of 'parent' in the Education Act 1996 includes: • Both natural parents provided they are married to each other at the time of birth or subsequently; • Any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility for a child or young person; and • Any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of the child or young person. The term 'parent' refers to anyone, including carers, who have parental responsibility for a child as set out in the Children Act 1989. For more information visit the government legislation website at www.legislation.gov.uk
Published admission number	The number of places each school has available to offer. Schools and academies must admit up to this limit each year if there are sufficient applications.

Sibling	A brother or sister of whole or half blood or any other child (including an adopted child) who permanently resides at the same address and for whom the parent also has parental responsibility. To be included as a sibling within the admissions rules the other child (sibling) should still be expected to be in attendance when the applicant child joins the school.
Shortest available route	The shortest available route between a preferred school and your normal home address. This will be measured using a computerised Geographical Information System (GIS). Measurements are either assessed by measuring distance in a straight line or by the nearest/ shortest available route, depending on the school's admission arrangements.
Supplementary form	A form that some admission authorities use to ask parents for extra information to support their application for a school place, for example a church school may ask for confirmation of regular attendance at church or a copy of a baptismal certificate.
Waiting list	A list of children held and maintained by the admission authority for a school, when the school or a particular year group in the school is full. Please see the waiting list section for detailed information.

School Categories

Academy	A school where the board of academy directors set the admissions policy and is responsible for decisions about school admissions
Community school	A school that is maintained by the Local Authority, which employs the staff, and sets the admissions policy and oversubscription criteria.
Foundation school	A school run by its own governing body, which employs the staff and sets the admissions policy and oversubscription criteria.
Voluntary aided school	These schools are mainly religious or faith schools. They are run by their own governing body, which employs staff and sets the admissions policy and oversubscription criteria.
Voluntary controlled school	These schools are mainly religious or faith schools. The local authority is responsible for running the school and sets the admissions policy and oversubscription criteria.

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