

How to apply for a secondary school place

All current Year 6 pupils move to Secondary school in
September 2021

Information Available

- ▶ The Local Authority no longer sends out a form and information book per child
- ▶ It is recommended that applications are done online
- ▶ All information is available on:

<http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/secondary-school>

Please read the online support guide above carefully.

Apply online at

<https://eadmissions.birmingham.gov.uk/prefs.php>

Secondary Transfer

- ▶ Every parent fills in the Birmingham common application form [Click here](#) for their child online
- ▶ Choose 6 schools but look at the admission criteria
- ▶ Make sure that you note any brothers or sisters already at the same school
- ▶ The form must be completed by 31st October 2020 - check dates
- ▶ You can amend your preferences right up to **11.59 pm** on the closing date (31 October 2020).
- ▶ **IMPORTANT:** if you amend your preferences, please ensure you re-submit your application form before the closing date otherwise your application will not be processed.
- ▶ Your final submission as the application to process.

Online

- ▶ You must choose 6 schools
- ▶ Put the schools you would like in the order you want your child to go to
- ▶ Every child who applies to a school will be ranked based on how closely they meet the school's admissions arrangements
- ▶ After the closing date of **31 October 2020**, applications will be processed. If you apply late you may be less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools. More information will be available about late applications after the closing date.

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School admissions

Contact details
Telephone: 0121 303 1888
Email: admissions@birmingham.gov.uk

Related links
Types of School (Gov.UK)

School admissions

Secondary school (Year 7)

Primary: Infant / Junior school

Primary: Starting reception class

In-year admissions

Find Birmingham Schools

14 to 19 Academies

If you choose a Walsall School

If you are within the catchment area for The Streetly Academy for example:

- ▶ You will still fill in your choices on the form for Birmingham (on the previous slide).
- ▶ Birmingham and Walsall have coordinated admission arrangements, so your choices can be completed on one form.
- ▶ Please check the criteria for admission to The Streetly Academy by using the link below:

<https://www.streetly.academy/255/admissions>

Guide for Applying for Secondary Schools



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Google Search I'm Feeling Lucky

First, go to Google and search "Applying for secondary school Birmingham."

This should help you get to the first page.



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www.birmingham.gov.uk > info > school_admissions >

Apply for Secondary School (year 7) place - Birmingham City ...

Birmingham City Council runs a co-ordinated admissions scheme with neighbouring local authorities. If you are applying for schools in another local authority then we recommend that you contact them for their admissions arrangements as this will help you to decide if your application is likely to be successful.

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If your child attends any of the following all-through schools in ...

Making a realistic application
Please check the admission criteria for each school you list ...

More results from birmingham.gov.uk >

National Offer Day 1 March 2021

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Timetable for the
Advice and guidance to researching schools to

Click on the first link www.birmingham.gov.uk

This will take you to a help page.

In this section

- 1 Before you apply: Researching schools
- 2 Making a realistic application: Examples of how the secondary transfer process works
- 3 Apply online
- 4 How places are offered
- 5 National Offer Day 1 March
- 6 Timetable for the secondary school admissions process

This menu will take you through each step of the application process. If you already know what you are doing, just click "Apply Now".

Apply online

Remember to list six different secondary schools

If your child attends any of the following all-through schools in Year 6: Ark Kings Academy, Bournville School, Washwood Heath Academy or Waverley School please **do not** list the school as one of your six preferences. Your child will automatically move up from Year 6 to Year 7 in September 2021 so by listing the school as a preference you will be wasting one of your preferences.

Important: Ensure you include details of any siblings attending your preferred school(s) in the field (box) provided for sibling details. Sibling details included in the incorrect field (box), such as in reasons for preference but not in the sibling details box will not be considered. This may prevent you from gaining a place at your preferred school. Please note if a parent/carer fills in the online application incorrectly, they remain liable not School Admissions and Fair Access.

<https://admissions.birmingham.gov.uk/>

List six secondary schools in order of preference

Make sure you have read the admission arrangements fully for the schools you are interested in and know how likely it is that your child will be offered a place there. It is important that you include at least one realistic preference for a school that your child would have met the criteria for in previous years.

If you have included preferences for any schools that require you to complete a supplementary information form or includes social and medical needs as a criteria and require you to send evidence, please ensure that you send the supplementary information form and any required supporting medical evidence etc. directly to the school in question. Please note that failure to do so may mean that your child's application is assessed by the school under a lower criterion and they may not be offered a place.

Submit your online application form

You will receive a confirmation email. Please ensure to check your email for confirmation email to make sure you have received it.

Apply online >

Read the information on the page and make sure you are clear on the instructions, before clicking the "Apply Now" button, or following the link:

<https://admissions.birmingham.gov.uk>

Birmingham City Council - Online School Admissions

1. Register or Sign In > 2. Applicant Information > 3. Child Details > 4. Submit Application >

Registration and Sign In Page

Information you provide is collected in compliance with the Data Protection Legislation. It will be used to allocate school places, and may be shared with other local authorities whom the child may become associated.

Your guide to Data Protection

Your guide to Privacy Notice

Please be advised that applications for the following round(s) are now OPEN:

Start Year 7 (Secondary School) in September 2021

Start Year 10 (Specialist Academies) in September 2021

New Online Applicants

If you are applying online for the first time, please click the Register button below.

Register

We will send you a confirmation email "reception@birmingham.gov.uk" and "secondary@birmingham.gov.uk" your "safe" contacts before you register with this website to ensure you receive all correspondence. Please note these email addresses are not contact School Admissions email: Admissions@birmingham.gov.uk or phone 0121 363 1000.

Existing Online Applicants

If you have already registered, please enter your details and click the Sign In button.

User ID:

Password:

User ID

Password

Sign In

You should be brought to this page. You will need to create an account before you can apply for any schools. Click "Register" to set up an account and register your details.

Once you have created an account, check your email to confirm your details. After that, type in your details to log in and start selecting schools.

Apply online at <https://eadmissions.birmingham.gov.uk/prefs.php>

You must register for a new account if you do not have one.

Use you account details to enter the information into the User ID and password box to log in.

Select 6 Birmingham schools or a school where you meet the admissions criteria

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If you have already registered, please enter your details and click the **Sign In** in button.

User ID:

Password: [Remind me of my login details](#)

[Sign In](#)

Once logged in, please use the **Previous** and **Next** buttons at the bottom of pages to navigate between them. If you use the back button (and get a *'This page has expired'* message), then press refresh (F5) to recover your session.

Admission arrangements	Providing Proof of Address	School admissions	Applying for primary schools
Applying for secondary schools	Change Password	Login	Version 8.0.3

Admission Policy

- ▶ Every school has an admission policy.

For example:

1. Children in care
2. Children with a brother or sister in the school already.
3. Children who live nearest to the school.

This will affect your application and you need to ensure you choose schools carefully

Grammar Schools

- ▶ Applying for grammar schools
- ▶ The test results for The Grammar Schools in Birmingham will be released before the 31st October.
- ▶ If your child gained the required mark, you must list it as one of your preferences in your online application.
- ▶ Preferably place 1 of your 6 choices
- ▶ Birmingham Grammar School A
- ▶ Birmingham Grammar School B
- ▶ School C
- ▶ School D
- ▶ School E
- ▶ School F

Grammar School Admissions policy

- ▶ All pupils will be admitted solely on the basis of performance in the test.
- ▶ You will receive your child's test score by **check dates** by email or post. The letter will indicate the scores required for admission to each of the schools in the previous three years.
- ▶ Parents/carers can then decide whether or not to include any of the Grammar Schools in Birmingham on their home Local Authority preference form.
- ▶ Grammar schools need to be above main stream secondary on the preference form

'CUT OFF' SCORES

Please see below the scores of the last child to be offered a place for entry in 2017, 2018 and 2019 (for information):

'CUT OFF' SCORES

	2017 (Pupil Premium)	2018 (Pupil Premium)	2019 (Pupil Premium)
Bishop Vesey's Grammar School	220(204)	222(204)	228(204)
King Edward VI Aston School	222(207)	220(205)	225(206)
King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Boys	240(226)	242(229)	249(222)
King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Girls	235(215)	236(219)	238(221)
King Edward VI Five Ways School	233(211)	232(207)	237(213)
King Edward VI Handsworth Grammar School for Boys	208 (N/A)	208 (N/A)	219 (N/A)
King Edward VI Handsworth School for Girls	222(209)	224(209)	226(213)
Sutton Coldfield Grammar School for Girls	217(N/A)	218(N/A)	221(N/A)

How a school is allocated

- ▶ The Local Authority will take the first school of your choice and see if you meet the admission criteria.
- ▶ If your child does not meet the criteria then they will apply the criteria for the next school on the list.
- ▶ Your child will **not** be selected if you do not meet the criteria.

When will I know?

- ▶ If you applied online and provided an email address, **you will be emailed on 1 March 2021** to tell you which secondary school your child has been offered. We cannot guarantee the exact time you will receive your email, as this will depend on your service provider. However, we expect that you will receive your offer email by 4pm on Monday 1 March 2021.
- ▶ They will also send you a formal offer letter that will be posted by 1st class post on **Monday 1 March 2021**. Please allow at least **three working days** for your letter to arrive.

Key dates

Timetable for the secondary school admissions 2020 to 2021

Stage of process	Date
Application period starts	1 September 2020
Grammar school test	12 September 2020
Results of grammar school test	Prior to 31 October 2020
Closing date for applications	31 October 2020
National Offer Day	1 March 2021
Deadline for accepting the offer	15 March 2021
Deadline for submitting appeals	29 March 2021
Appeal hearings for appeals submitted on time	May and June 2021
Induction day at secondary school	7 July 2021
Term starts	2 September 2021

Proof of address

Acceptable proofs of your child's home address for their school application, where required, include:

- ▶ A copy of your **council tax bill**
- ▶ A copy of a **recent utility bill** (gas, water, electric, dated within the last 6 months)
- ▶ A **solicitors letter** stating that contracts have been exchanged and specifying a completion date
- ▶ A copy of your **Child Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit** award letter (if you receive either of these benefits)
- ▶ A **signed and dated tenancy agreement** of not less than 12 months, plus proof residency eg a copy of recent utility bill

Virtual Open Evenings

- ▶ Choose schools wisely
- ▶ Visit websites and do research
- ▶ Check virtual open evening dates

- ▶ Speak to your child about the choices you are going to make based on your preferences and theirs

Things to consider

- ▶ Visit the schools' own websites
- ▶ How close you live to a school is very important. Schools have cut-off distances, which change each year based on demand.
- ▶ However some schools have different criteria re intake
- ▶ Most school's do accept sibling claims but it is not a guarantee of a place for your child

Thank you

Support is available if required.

Please contact Y6 teachers or Miss Simpson