

Proposed Admission Criteria for Community and Voluntary Controlled Primary Schools 2026/2027

Where we receive more applications than places available at a school, the following admission criteria are used to decide on admissions to all Community and Voluntary Controlled Primary Schools.

In accordance with the Education Act (1996), children with an W*nBF2 11.04 Tf1 0 0 1 378.07 \$8.71 Tm

who appear to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (see note 2 below).

- (b) Parental home residence within the defined catchment area of the school.
- (c) Concurrent sibling link (an older brother or sister attending the school at the same time and residing at the same address, to include adoptive siblings, half siblings, step siblings and long term fostered children,).
- (d) Shortest distance measured as a straight line, from the Ordnance Survey coordinates for the parental home residence (including flats) to
 - Information System (GIS), with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority.

The each criterion, if necessary.

- Note 1: Looked After Child' is a child who is (a) in the care of a LA, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a LA in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989) at the time of making an application to a school.
 - An adoption order is an order made under Section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (Adoption Act 1976 (see Section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and

residence order in force prior to 22 April 2014 is deemed to be a child arrangements order.

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If pupil numbers fall below the Published Admission Number (PAN) the place will be offered to the child at the top of the waiting list. This means a child who is on the waiting list will move down the list if another late application is received that falls within a higher priority under the oversubscription criteria. Waiting lists for schools will be kept open until 31 December 2026.

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