

# Applying for High School

**Starting in September 2024**

[https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201113/school\\_admissions/2046/apply\\_for\\_high\\_school\\_primary\\_to\\_high\\_school\\_transfer](https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201113/school_admissions/2046/apply_for_high_school_primary_to_high_school_transfer)

<https://www.aroundealing.com/news/high-schools-2022/>



Your children will have taken home a Starting High School form as their comprehension homework this week.

This is to make sure that they look through the leaflet with a parent or carer and begin thinking about their choices – looking at open days, researching the schools' websites and talking to people who already go to the school.



**SCHOOL PLACES**

For a full list of high school open evenings and mornings, visit [aroundealing.com/news/high-schools-2022](https://www.aroundealing.com/news/high-schools-2022)



## Apply for high school

Applications for children to start high school in our borough are now being received.

If your child was born between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012, he or she will be due to leave their primary school next summer and start year seven at a high school in September 2023.

The recommended date for receipt of applications is 21 October 2022 or, by the absolute latest, the final, statutory deadline is 31 October 2022.

Councillor Kamaljit Nagpal, Ealing Council's cabinet member for a fairer start, said: "Choosing which school your child will attend is a big decision and the applications process can sometimes feel daunting. The council's admissions team do all they can to make the application process as easy as possible, however, we recognise it is an important decision, so if you require support please visit the council's website, contact the schools you are interested in, or speak to your child's current school."

**SCHOOLS INFORMATION**

To find out more about your preferred schools, you can visit the admissions pages on the council's website at [www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions](https://www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions) or, alternatively, you can contact the schools themselves. Each school will also be holding an open morning or evening, which you can find on [aroundealing.com](https://www.aroundealing.com) (see box above).

**HOW TO APPLY**

You can apply online at [www.eadmissions.org.uk](https://www.eadmissions.org.uk) between 1 September and 31 October 2022. If you are unable to apply online, you can ask your current school for an application form to fill in and ask it for instructions if anything is not clear. If you choose to apply online, you must not complete a paper application as well.

The Cardinal Wiseman (Catholic) and Twyford (Church of England) high schools require a supplementary information form to be completed to assess denominational commitment and these may be obtained either from the schools themselves, or from the council website at [www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions](https://www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions)

**NEW SCHOOLS**

All new schools proposed to open in 2023 will be outside the co-ordinated application process. Parents wishing to apply to those schools will need to contact the school direct and apply on the school's application form. Parents are strongly advised to also apply for established secondary schools through the co-ordinated system because there is no guarantee at this point that the new schools will open in 2023. [see](#)

**ANY QUESTIONS?**

Visit [www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions](https://www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions) or you can get in touch with your preferred school.

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# Before you apply

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Have a look at the prospectus

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Check the schools admission criteria

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Look at the statistics pages to check the last person to be offered a place at your preferred schools – the distance they lived from the school and the criteria under which they were offered

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If possible arrange a tour of the school or attend any scheduled open days

- Open days and times can be found in the prospectus and information leaflets

# High school open day programme

September and October 2023

## Open Evenings

Date	School	Time	Head Teacher Talk
Wednesday 13 Sep	Elthorne Park High School	5:15pm to 8:30pm	5:30pm, 6:45pm and 7:45pm
Thursday 14 Sep	Northolt High School	5:30pm to 7pm	6pm
Thursday 14 Sep	The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School	5:30pm to 8:30pm	6pm and 7pm
Thursday 21 Sep	The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	6pm to 8:30pm	6:15pm and 7:30pm
Thursday 21 Sep	Twyford CofE High School	5pm to 8pm	5:30pm, 6:30pm and 7:30pm
Thursday 21 Sep	Villiers High School	5pm to 7:30pm	6:15pm
Tuesday 26 Sep	Alec Reed Academy	5:30pm to 7:30pm	5:45pm and 7pm
Tuesday 26 Sep	Brentside High School	5:30pm to 8:30pm	5:45pm and 6:45pm
Wednesday 27 Sep	Ada Lovelace CofE High School	5pm to 8pm	5:15pm, 6:15pm and 7:15pm
Wednesday 27 Sep	Dormers Wells High School	5pm to 7:30pm	5:15pm and 6:15pm
Thursday 28 Sep	Ark Soane Academy	5pm to 7pm	6pm
Thursday 28 Sep	Drayton Manor High School	5pm to 8pm	5:15pm and 6:30pm
Thursday 28 Sep	Featherstone High School	5pm to 7:30pm	5:15pm, 6pm and 6:45pm
Thursday 28 Sep	William Perkin CofE High School	5pm to 8pm	5pm, 6pm and 7pm
Wednesday 4 Oct	Ark Acton Academy	5:30pm to 8pm	6pm and 7pm
Thursday 5 Oct	Ealing Fields High School	5pm to 8pm	5pm, 6pm and 7pm
Thursday 5 Oct	Greenford High School	5pm to 7pm	5pm, 6pm and 7pm

## Open Mornings

Dates	School	Time	Event
Thursday 28 Sep, Tuesday 3 Oct & Thursday 5 Oct	Alec Reed Academy	9am to 10:30am	Coffee morning and tour
Friday 15 Sep, Friday 22 Sep & Friday 29 Sep	Ark Acton Academy	9:15am to 10:30am	Open morning
Monday 25 Sep to Friday 29 Sep	Ark Soane Academy	9:30am to 11am	Open morning
Monday 2 Oct, Tuesday 3 Oct & Wednesday 4 Oct	Brentside High School	9:35am to 10:40am	School tours
Monday 2 Oct to Friday 6 Oct	Northolt High School	9am to 10am	Tour (please contact the school to book)
Tuesday 12 Sep, Monday 18 Sep, Thursday 21 Sep & Monday 25 Sep	The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	10am to 11am	Coffee morning
Friday 22 Sep	Villiers High School	10am to 12:30pm	Tour (please contact the school to book)



# Important Dates

Application process opens	September 1st
Open evenings	September/ October
Closing date for applications	31 October 2023 The sooner the better
National offer date	1 March 2024 (after 17:30)
Offer response deadline	15 March 2024

# Moving address

Important:

If you move after submitting your application (but before the closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> October) you must inform the Admissions team – or online, to update your application form.

If you move after 31<sup>st</sup> October, you will be entitled to a place in an Ealing school if you wish.

If you move between 31<sup>st</sup> October and 10<sup>th</sup> December, you may update your information or contact the admissions team.

No changes can be made after 10<sup>th</sup> December until after 1<sup>st</sup> March

# Admission Criteria

**How places are allocated**

# General Admission Criteria.

(Please check the admission criteria for the school you are applying for as it maybe different)

Important:

After the allocation of children with an Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP)

- 1.Looked After Children – child arrangements order or special guardianship
- 2.Children with a brother or sister already attending the school at the time of admission
- 3.The distance from the school as measured by a straight line

- To get accurate measurements contact school admissions on:

0208 825 5522 (high school)

Or by email: [mainroundadmissions@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:mainroundadmissions@ealing.gov.uk)



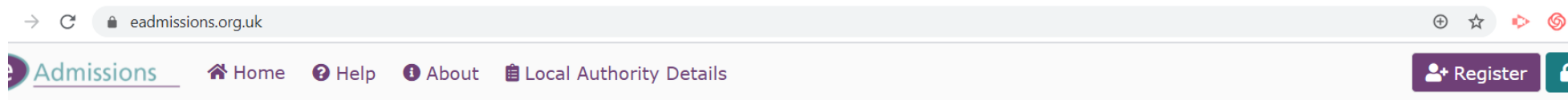
Just to give you an idea, last year's West Acton Primary School leavers went to the schools near and far, although some actually went out of borough or left the country.



Ada Lovelace High School	23
ARK Acton High School	10
ARK Soane High School	20
Bishop Douglas	1
Brentside High School	1
Drayton Manor High School	1
Isleworth & Syon High School	1
The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	15
The Japanese School London	1
Twyford CoE High School	5
William Perkins High School	1

# Submitting your application

[www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)



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### Find schools

In your area.



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## Important information

From the 1st September 2020, you can apply for a school place for the year starting September 2021. You can apply for a place in:

- A Primary school (Reception)
- A Junior school (Year 3)
- A Secondary school (Year 7)

In some areas you can apply for a place in:

- A Nursery class or school (Age 3+)
- A University Technical College (Year 10)

- Make sure you have an active and valid email account in order to apply online
- Applications must be submitted online by the following date:
  - High School – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023
- You will be notified of the outcome (**national offer day**) of your application on:
  - High School – 1st March 2024
- Online applications will receive notification of the offer made via email the evening of the offer date (usually after 5:30pm)

# Faith, Independent or private schools

- For faith schools you will need to complete the **SIF Form** (supplementary information form)
  - This can be collected directly from the school or downloaded from the Local Authority website
  - Your SIF form when complete should be returned directly to the school by the closing date
- Apply directly to each independent or private school
- Your preference must also be included in your common application to the Local Authority

# Live outside the Ealing Borough or applying for schools outside the borough?

- If you live outside the Ealing borough, you will need to make your application through your home council.
- If you live in the Ealing borough and want to apply for an out of borough school you need to put them on your application, but check their council website for details of their admission criteria.
- If you are leaving the country and will not be applying for a high school we will need to know this also so we can make a note for Admissions at the Council (Please inform West Acton school office).

# Order of preference

- You can choose up to six schools to put on your application – ensure you have included a minimum of 4 choices
- Use this opportunity to help narrow down the choices of where you would want your child to go to school in the event that you do not get your first choice
- List them in your order of preference
- It is always best to put your nearest school as one of your preferences
- Schools will not know the preference you have expressed and will only prioritise your application according to their admission criteria

# Information required

- If you have another sibling already attending the school, make sure you add this information. School admissions will not look to see if you have children already attending the school
- If you have special guardianship for the child you are applying for – foster care, adoption, child arrangements order etc (looked after child)
- Special needs – EHCP, Statement of special educational needs
- Proof of date of birth – child's medical card, passport or birth certificate
- Proof of address is not required at the time of application, but may be asked for if the LA are unable to verify your address

## Once you have your offer...

You will be offered one place, which will be the highest preference able to be offered

- If the LA cannot offer you any of your preferences, they will offer you a place at a school that has vacancies
- You must confirm whether you'll be accepting or declining the offered place by 15<sup>th</sup> March.
- If you don't get your preferred school, **accept the offer** and remain on the waiting list (you will be added to the waiting list automatically) for your higher preference school
- Waiting lists at all schools are kept in criteria order
- Waiting lists are kept for one academic year, if you wish to stay on the list after that you will need to contact in year admissions in July



# Right to appeal

- You have the right to appeal but you need to have a strong case e.g. the council or school made an error, or it was an unreasonable decision
- An appeal is a review of what has happened during the admission process. Any evidence which was not provided at the time of application may not be considered by the appeal panel
- The statistics page in the prospectus gives you information on appeals from the previous year with the number of appeals heard and the number upheld or refused

# Advice Sessions at Ealing Council

If you need any help from the borough,  
call

020 8825 5522 or email:

[mainroundadmissions@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:mainroundadmissions@ealing.gov.uk)

- If you would like assistance with your application, please contact the office to arrange an appointment on 0208 992 3144 or via email [admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk)

