

Transfer to Secondary School 2024-2025



**YEAR 6 MEETING
12TH SEPTEMBER 2024
3:30PM**

Choosing a school

- How do I know which school is the right school for my child?
- Who can help me make that decision?
- Where is your home borough?

Choosing a school

Talk to your child

- Find out what they want
- Consider how they will travel to school
- Know your child's ability

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Visit the schools

- Go to the open evenings
- Talk to the teachers
- Talk to the pupil

When are the open evenings?

- In September on the schools' website and also given out to pupils on the last week

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Read the school prospectus

- It will have detailed information about:
 - How the school is run
 - Which subjects are taught
 - The admissions criteria
- Available at the Open Evening
- Download from the school website

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Read the secondary education booklet published by your home local authority

The 2024 booklet is be available at:

- ❑ <https://www.harrow.gov.uk/schools-learning/apply-secondary-school-place>
- ❑ https://www.harrow.gov.uk/downloads/file/32425/Secondary_Schools_Guide_2025_2026_WEB_NEW.pdf

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Look at exam results and Ofsted reports

- The latest Ofsted reports are available from the Ofsted website www.ofsted.gov.uk
- Achievement and attainment tables are available at www.education.gov.uk/performance/tables

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Look carefully at the admissions criteria for each school

- Faith criteria
- Siblings
- Distance

Cut off distances September 2024

NAME OF SCHOOL	CUT OFF DISTANCE (miles)
Avanti House	0.325
Bentley Wood	1.638
Canons High	N/A
Harrow High	N/A
Hatch End	N/A
Nower Hill	0.814
Park High	N/A
Pinner High	0.597
Rooks Heath	N/A
Whitefriars School	1.511
Whitmore	0.717

How do I apply?

How soon can I apply?

- The application process begins September 2024

Where do I apply?

- Apply online www.eadmissions.org.uk or contact Harrow Council

How do I apply?

How many schools can I apply for?

- You can apply for up to **six** schools
- You will rank the schools in order of preference
- It is important to think carefully about the order as you will not be able to change it after the closing date.

Can I apply to schools outside Harrow?

- Yes, you must include all of your chosen schools, whether inside or outside the borough where you live

How do I apply?

Do I need to complete any other forms?

- All voluntary aided schools and some academies will ask you to complete another form
- It will ask for additional information, for example
 - Faith schools will ask for church attendance and require a priest's reference
 - Selective schools (not in Harrow) will ask about any medical conditions that needs to be taken into account at the test and may also require a photograph
- These must be returned to the individual schools

How do I apply?

What else do I need to provide?

- Proof of address
 - Your permanent address must be used on the application form
 - If you have moved in the last two years you will be asked to provide proof of the new and proof that you have disposed of the previous address

How do I apply?

When is the closing date?

- 31st October 2024
- The online system will close at 12 midnight online

How do I apply?

Co-ordinated admissions

- The transfer process is co-ordinated by all 33 London Boroughs
- Application lists are exchanged
- Offer lists are drawn up
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How do I apply?

How will places be allocated?

- If the school is over subscribed, the admissions criteria will be applied to decide who can be offered a place
- Each application is considered as if equally preferred
- Your ranking order is not passed to the individual schools

Offers

Will I be offered more than one school place?

- If your child can be offered more than one school, you will be offered the highest rank possible
- The lower preference will be withdrawn and offered to other children
- No child will be offered more than one school

Offers

When will I hear?

- 1 September 2024
- 31 October 2024
- 3 March 2025
- Application for secondary school opens
- Closing date for applications
- Receive outcome of your application

No Offer?

What happens if I don't get any of my preference schools?

- Your child will be allocated a place at the nearest school with a vacancy
- Remain on the waiting list
- Appeal for a place

Appeals

- Every parent has the right to appeal
- Appeals are heard by an independent panel
- You have the opportunity to present your case in person
- You need to convince the panel that your child's needs are more important than the school's need to limit the admissions number
- Appeals are not usually successful unless there are exceptional circumstances

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Any questions?