



## Bristol City Council

### Admission Arrangements for 2018/19 school year for first admission to Secondary Schools in Bristol

The following schools are responsible for determining their own admission arrangements for September 2018. The schools have adopted the arrangements of the Local Authority.

- Ashton Park School (Admission Number – 216)
- Henbury School (Admission Number - (Admission Number – 189)
- Orchard School, Bristol (Admission Number – 185)

Other schools arrangements are published separately.

**Where there are more applications than places available, allocations will be made in the following order of priority.**

Initial allocations will involve only those applications received by the submission date and accepted as on-time.

Priority is not given to first preferences. The admission arrangements are applied equally to all applications, with the aim of meeting the highest preference possible.

**1. Children in care or children who were previously in care but immediately after being in care became subject to an adoption, child care or special guardianship order.**

Children in care are children who are in the care of the local authority or provided with accommodation by the authority in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989.

**2. Siblings living in the first, second or joint area.**

Where there are siblings of statutory school age in attendance at the preferred school and who will still be on roll in the year of entry and where the home address is within the designated areas of first, second or joint priority.

**3. Geography - Children living in the first area.** Children living within the school's designated area of first priority.

**4. Geography - Children living in the second or joint area.** Children living within the school's area of second priority/joint area. Siblings living outside the area. Where there are siblings of statutory school age in attendance at the preferred

school and who will still be on roll in the year on entry and where the home address is outside the designated areas or first, second or joint priority.

**5. Siblings living outside the area.** Where there are siblings of statutory school age in attendance at the preferred school and who will still be on roll in the year of entry and where the home address is outside the designated areas of first, second or joint priority

**6. Geography - Out of the area children.** Children living closest to the school as measured in a direct line from the home address to the school.

## **Priority Areas**

Maps of areas of first, second and joint priority are published on the Bristol City Council website.

## **Siblings**

Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, step brother or sister, or a child of the parent or carer's partner where the child for whom a place is being sought is living in the same family unit at the same address.

Pupils will not be considered as a sibling link where the older child is attending the school in the year of entry as Year 12 or Year 13 students.

## **Home address**

The child's permanent home address, where he or she resides with a person with parental responsibility, or with a parent (as defined in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996). It is the address where the child spends the majority of their time. Documentary evidence may be required to confirm a child's home address. If a child regularly lives at more than one address the admission authority will have to reach a conclusion about which address should be counted as the main address when allocating school places. This will normally be the address where the Child Benefit is paid and where the child is registered with a doctor.

## **Home to school distance**

Home to school distance will be measured in a direct line from a point on the home address as held by the Local Authority to a point within the school building using the Local Authority's computerised mapping system.

## **Tie-breaks**

Where there are more applications than there are places remaining within a particular category, the direct line distance from home to school will be used as a tie-break. When

the furthest distance to qualify for a place relates to a household containing two or more children for whom application are made (e.g. twins), the place will be offered to one child. The remaining child(ren) will be considered under the sibling criterion if further places become available.

Where two or more children live in a flat or other multi-home dwelling and it is not possible to determine which applicant lives closest to the preferred school as measured in a direct line from building to school; the available place(s) will be allocated by drawing lots. Any offer of a place determined by random allocation will be overseen by a member of staff from the Legal Division of Bristol City Council.

### **Special Educational Needs/Education, Health and Care Plan**

Children with Statements of Special Educational Needs (SEN)/Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) follow the transfer arrangements set out in the SEN Code of Practice and associated regulations and are not subject to general admissions arrangements.