

Orsett Heath Academy

Oversubscription criteria

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care plan or a Statement of Special Educational Needs naming the school, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order⁹⁰ including those 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. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).
2. Next, 10% of the PAN will be allocated to children who have demonstrated an aptitude in our specialist subject area which is Sports.
3. Children who live with (either permanently or part-time) parents, guardians or carers who are employees* of SWECET (South West Essex Community Education Trust), provided that the employee has been employed by the Trust for a minimum of two years at the date of application for admission and/or are recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skills shortage.

**Employees, for the purpose of school admissions is defined as anyone contracted on a permanent basis who is employed for any number of hours.*

4. Children who have brothers or sisters (siblings*) attending the School at the date of admission.
5. Priority will next be given to children attending one of the following feeder schools, Stifford Clays, Deneholm, Chadwell-St-Mary, Little Thurrock and Woodside.
6. Other children

Applications will be ranked within each of the over-subscription criteria according to their proximity to the school. Distance is measured between the child's front door and the main gate of the school. The distance will be measured in a straight line using a digital mapping system.

The address on the application must be your child's permanent place of residence, not a business, relative, or carer/childminder's address. You may not use a temporarily rented address to secure a school place for your child.

The address will normally be the parents' address. If the parents do not live together, it should be the address of the parent with whom the child spends the

majority of time with. This will normally be the address held by the primary school and the address of the parent who receives child benefit in respect of the child.

Placement on the waiting list does not affect the parents'/carers' right to appeal against an unsuccessful application. If the final place allocated is to a family with twins or multiple births, the Academy will offer a place to the additional students.

*Siblings. For the purpose of allocating places, the following will be classified as siblings: Full siblings, step-siblings living at the same address, half-siblings living at the same address, long term fostered siblings living at the same address.

If there is a tie for the final place where the students are from separate families, a place will be offered to both students.