



Admissions Criteria for Honywood School 2025 - 2026

- Academy (co-educational 11-16 year olds)
- Published number to admit September 2025 - 160
- Number on roll as of September 2024 - TBC
- In September 2024 the last child was admitted under criterion - TBC

Admissions Policy:

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area. In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

Admissions Criteria (Primary to Secondary school transition - From September 2025)

1. Children Looked After or Previous LAC⁽¹⁾
2. Children of teaching and non-teaching staff (employed at Honywood School) who have been
 - a. Employed at the school for two or more years at the time of application for the school place; and/or
 - b. Recruited to fill vacant posts for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
3. Children with a sibling⁽²⁾ attending the school (at the time of application and admission)
4. Children currently attending a school from the priority admission for rural schools list⁽³⁾
5. Other children living in the priority Admission Area (as stipulated by ECC)
6. Remaining applications

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority. Exceptional circumstances (**determined by the school**) may override the above criteria (other than Looked After Children).

In addition, we will allocate three places, in agreement with the Local Authority, to children requiring a placement in our enhanced provision, My Learning Hub (MLH). MLH supports the integration into mainstream secondary school of children who have an Education Health and Care Plan specifying that a primary learning need is overcoming Autism Spectrum Condition.

1. *A 'Child looked After' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order. 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. *A sibling is defined as a child living in the same family unit in the same family household and address as a child who attends the preferred school in any year group excluding the final year. This includes brothers, sisters, stepbrothers and stepsisters. In addition, biological siblings who attend the preferred school in any year excluding the final year will also be treated as siblings irrespective of place of residence.*

3. Our priority admission for rural schools list is based on the list of schools within Honeywood's designated rural area. They are as follows:

Chappel C of E Primary School

Colne Engaine C of E Primary School

Copford C of E (VC) Primary School

Cressing Primary School

Earls Colne Primary School

Feering C of E Primary School

Fordham All Saints C of E (VC) Primary School

Great Tey C of E (VC) Primary School

Great Totham Primary School

Heathlands C of E (VC) Primary School, West Bergholt

Holy Trinity C of E (VC) Primary School, Halstead

Kelvedon St Mary's C of E Primary Academy

Rivenhall C of E Primary School

Silver End Academy

St Andrew's C of E Primary Academy, Marks Tey

St Peters C of E (VC) Primary School, Coggeshall

Stisted C of E Primary Academy

Appealing a decision

<https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions/appealing-a-schools-decision>