

# Admission arrangements for junior schools 2024-25

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Places will be allocated to pupils who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) which names the school before any other allocations are made. These allocations will reduce the number of places available.

## *Criterion*

Criterion 1: Children in the care of a local authority within England or who were previously in the care of a local authority within and outside of England (see note 1).

Criterion 2: Children who are on roll at the linked infant school at the closing date for applications who will still be on roll when the applicant starts school. These schools are:

- Catherine Infant to Catherine Junior
- Green Lane Infant to Bridge Junior
- Humberstone Infant to Humberstone Junior
- Imperial Avenue Infant to Folville Junior
- Inglehurst Infant to Inglehurst Junior
- King Richard III Infant to Shaftesbury Junior
- Merrydale Infant to Merrydale Junior
- Overdale Infant to Overdale Junior
- Uplands Infant to Uplands Junior

Criterion 3: Children who have a serious medical condition or exceptional social or domestic needs that make it essential they attend the school (see note 2).

Criterion 4: Children living in the catchment area of the junior school with a sibling at the school or the linked infant school, who will still be on roll when the applicant starts school.

Criterion 5: Children living outside the catchment area of the junior school with a sibling at the school or linked infant school, who will still be on roll when the applicant starts school.

Criterion 6: Children living in the catchment area of the junior school.

Criterion 7: Children who are sons / daughters of staff working at the school for at least 2 years at the time of application (see note 5).

Criterion 8: Children living outside the junior school catchment area who have requested a place.

Tiebreaker: Within each criterion priority will be given to children living closest to the school, as measured on a straight line basis using a geographical information system measuring from the Geo-code reference point from the child's home address to the Geo-code reference point for the school for at least two years at the time of application.

### *Notes*

Note 1: A "looked after" child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority in England, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in England, in the exercise of their social services function at the time of making an application to the school. A "previously looked after" child is a child who was looked after, either in England or outside\* of England, but ceased to be because they were adopted or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order. A child is regarded as having been in state care outside of England if they were in the care of or were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole or main purpose is to benefit society.

Note 2: All schools in Leicester have experience in dealing with children with diverse social and medical needs. However, there may be exceptional cases where there are compelling reasons why it is essential they attend the school requested. A separate application to be considered under this category will need to be made. Please refer to the full guidance shown in the Leicester City coordinated scheme.

Note 3: Sibling means a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister or child of the parent/carer's partner. In every case, the child must be living in the same family unit at the same address. Siblings must be on roll at the point of entry.

In the case of twins, triplet or other children of multiple births, if the final place is offered to one child, and the remaining sibling(s) would ordinarily be refused, places will be offered to the remaining sibling(s).

Note 4: Home address" means the child's permanent home address at the time of application. In the case of split households, it is the address of the person who receives the Child Benefit. 'At the time of application' means the closing date for applications. Informal accommodation arrangements with family and friends are not accepted unless there are very special

circumstances and supporting proof is required. An address used for childcare arrangements cannot be used as the home address for the purpose of applying for a school place.

Note 5: Admission authorities may give priority in their oversubscription criteria to children of staff in the following circumstances:

- Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made; and/or
- The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

## Applying for a school place

2.1. All applications from Leicester residents for admission to any school must be made on the online common application form available on our [admissions website](#).

2.2. Parents of children attending Leicester primary, infant or junior schools will be given details of how to apply by their school, at the beginning of their final year. For those starting school in reception, details are posted to early year settings.

2.3. Parents who reside outside Leicester should apply to their home authority i.e. the authority to whom they pay their council tax.

2.4. Leicester resident parents can state a maximum of three preferences, in their rank order, at any one time for any combination of the following schools:

- Community
- Voluntary Controlled
- Voluntary Aided
- Trust
- Academy
- Free School

2.5. In all cases the application must be received by the closing date of 31 October 2021 for admission to a secondary school and 15 January 2022 for admission to start at a primary, infant or junior school.

<https://www.leicester.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-and-colleges/school-admissions/admissions-policy-and-arrangements/>

Contact the school admissions service

Please take the time to read the information available on our webpages. You can find details of our schools along with other important information to support you with your query.

If you still need to speak with us, ring us on: 0116 454 1009 (option 1)

Our phone lines are open Monday to Friday - 9.30am till 3pm.

Email us: [admissions.online@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:admissions.online@leicester.gov.uk)

Write to us: School Admissions Service, Customer Service Centre , York House, 91 Granby Street, Leicester, LE1 6FB.