



SC000026244: Applications now open for September 2025 secondary school places



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Secondary school place applications for September 2025 are open from Monday 9 September until Thursday 31 October. Please share the below information from 9 September with families who have children in Year 6, due to move to secondary school next year.

Parents and carers with children due to move to secondary school next year can now [apply for their child's school place for September 2025](#). Secondary school applications are open until 31 October.

Applications can be [submitted online](#), or parents can request an electronic form by emailing admissions.team@hants.gov.uk.

Please follow the below guidance when submitting your application:

- Name three schools on your application to give you the best chance of being offered a place at one of your preferred schools
- Submit your application on time, before the 31 October deadline
- Use the County Council's [school catchment area finder](#) to check the catchment school for your address
- Read the schools' admissions policies and look at previous years' admissions data to get an indication of how many places schools can allocate and the criteria that will be used to allocate places
- Think about how your child will get to school. See [travel to school](#) to help plan your journey and find out if you are eligible for help with transport. You

must name your catchment school as one of your preferences if you wish to apply for transport assistance.

Where three schools are named on applications, very few children are not offered a place at one of these preferences. Should a place be allocated at an alternative school, this would be because each of the three chosen schools received more applications than the number of available places, and the child did not rank high enough in accordance with the oversubscription criteria to qualify for a place. In these circumstances, the child would be added to a waiting list for the next available space at each school. Often spaces become available because families move home or decide on different schools. Any parent who is unhappy with the place that has been allocated for their child can appeal against the decision.

Parents can log back into the system to amend their applications at any time before the closing date on 31 October 2024. Applications must be resubmitted after making any changes. Anyone who needs to make changes to an emailed application should contact admissions.team@hants.gov.uk

Parents who applied on time will be notified of the outcome of their application on 3 March 2025, and two to three working days later by letter if they did not supply an email address.

For assistance with completing this process, members of the Admissions Team will be holding drop-in sessions at local libraries in some districts during this period between 9:30am and 3:30pm, as follows:

Library	Address	Date
Aldershot	Aldershot Library 109 High St, Aldershot, GU11 1DQ	Tues 24 Sep
Gosport	Gosport Discovery Centre High Street, Gosport, PO121BT	Thurs 3 Oct
Fareham	Fareham Library Osborn Rd, Fareham PO16 7EN	Fri 11 Oct
Havant	Havant Library The Meridian Centre, Elm Ln, Havant PO9 1UN	Tues 15 Oct
Basingstoke	Basingstoke Discovery Centre Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LS	Wed 16 Oct

See the [Education and Learning pages](#) on the County Council's website (hants.gov.uk) for further guidance.