



Mayflower High School

ADMISSIONS

2016-2017

(Reviewed Annually)

MAYFLOWER HIGH SCHOOL

DETERMINED ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2016/2017

Application procedure and timetable

Parents who wish their child(ren) to attend Mayflower High School must apply in accordance with the co-ordinated admissions arrangements operated by their child's home LA. Details of the co-ordinated admissions scheme agreed by Essex secondary schools for the academic year 2016/17 are set out in the Secondary Education in Essex booklet. The admissions policy of Mayflower High School will be applied in accordance with the co-ordinated arrangements set out in the booklet, which is published by Essex County Council.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2015. Applications should be made using the Common Application Form supplied by the child's home LA. For children resident in Essex, this is contained in the Secondary Education in Essex booklet. Alternatively, parents can apply using their home LA's online application system. Parents should name the school as one of their preferences on their application form. The LA will notify parents of the offer of a place on 1 March 2016.

Applications made outside the normal admission round should be made to the child's home Local Authority in accordance with their published co-ordinated in-year admissions scheme.

Policy and Numbers

Students will be admitted at age 11 without reference to ability or aptitude. The number of intended admissions for the year commencing 1st September 2016 will be 240. For the 2015 intake there were 852 applications for admission.

Over-subscription criteria

There is no guarantee of a place in the school. In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children.
2. Children living in the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school;
3. Other children living in the priority admission area;
4. Children living outside the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school;
5. 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 medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override the above criteria (other than Looked After Children) but will not override the admission number.

Definitions and additional information

A map of the defined priority admission area is available on request from the school.

The straight line distances are calculated by the Local Authority as defined in the Secondary Education in Essex booklet, by use of a Geographical Information System which accurately measures the distance from the home address to the school.

Children with statements of special educational needs which name the school are required to be admitted.

The definition of a 'sibling' is that published by Essex LA in the Secondary Education in Essex booklet.

Exceptional medical reasons may also be considered. The relevant medical reason may be in relation to the child or one or both of the parents. Such requests should be supported by evidence supplied at the time of application from a doctor or other registered health professional setting out why our school is the most suitable and the difficulties that would be caused if the child attended and travelled to another school. Applications made on this basis will be considered by the School Admission Panel.

Applications received after the closing date will be regarded as 'late' and treated according to the detailed LA's scheme for co-ordination of admission arrangements.

All refused applicants have a statutory right of appeal to an independent appeal panel. Information about how to appeal will be supplied with the refusal letter.

In accordance with the agreed co-ordinated admissions scheme a waiting list will be maintained by Essex LA until the end of the first week of the Autumn term 2016. The school will then hold the waiting list until the end of the autumn term.

Admission to the Sixth Form

Admission to the sixth form is available for all existing students, and up to 20 students to Year 12 who have not previously attended the school. All applicants must meet the minimum entry requirements for their chosen course of study. In addition, students must meet specific subject requirements. Full details are published in the Sixth Form Prospectus available from the school. In the event of oversubscription, applications will be prioritised in accordance with the above admissions policy.