

Secondary School Admissions 2024 A short guide for parents

Is your child in year 5?

If you live in Southend-on-Sea and have a child in year 5 getting ready for the application process to year 7 in September 2024 this guide will help you.

Looking for information on how and when to apply for a secondary school place?

The secondary school admissions booklet 2024 will be available from July. This will give you all the details needed to apply. Applications can be made between 1 September 2023 and 31 October 2023.

You are invited to Secondary School Admissions Information Event

Register for our <u>Secondary School Admissions Information Event</u> on Tuesday 26 September 2023. We will be able to answer any questions you might have and support you with your application.



What can I do now to prepare?

- try to visit as many secondary schools as possible and keep in mind some school open days are later in the year
- read the schools admission criteria and consider the likelihood of admission based on offers for previous years by looking at data in the Secondary Admissions Booklet 2024
- register with the Consortium of Selective Schools in Essex (CSSE) from 16 May to 30 June 2023 if you wish for your child to take the 11+ test

What do I do when the applications open?

- keep a record of all your actions. For example, the username and password you use when you register online
- register and apply online between 1 September to 31 October 2023. You can amend the
 application as many times as you need up to 31 October. You do not have to wait until you
 have the results of selection or aptitude tests
- remember to register for any other aptitude tests, for example The Eastwood Academy and complete any Supplementary Information Form for faith schools
- you can apply for schools in and out the city. We recommend that one of your choices is vour catchment school
- we recommend that you use all 5 preferences when you apply

You must apply to Southend-on-Sea City Council if you:

- live in the city
- pay council tax to Southend-on-Sea City Council

This is regardless of which primary or junior school your child currently attends.

What happens between the closing date and National offer day, 1 March 2024?

Applications are processed, addresses, siblings and other details checked, applications are ranked per school. Files with other local authorities for schools outside the area are exchanged and applicants applying from other local authorities are processed. Offers are run several times, to ensure the highest offer. After multiple exchanges with other LAs, offers are finalised. Offer processes are finalised and outcomes ready in time for 1 March.



Secondary School Information Events

Secondary schools in the City of Southend hold events for year 5 pupils and their parents/carers. This is for admission to year 7 in September 2024.

The dates and times listed below are as provided by the schools. If you have any enquiries about the arrangements for these events these should be directed to the school(s). Many primary schools also run information sessions for parents to assist them in the secondary admissions process.

Where possible we advise parents to visit as many secondary schools as possible, obtain their prospectus and read the admission criteria before completing the Common Application Form provided by Southend Council.

School	Date and Time
Belfairs Academy	Thursday 29 June 2023, 4-6pm
Cecil Jones Academy	Thursday 28 September 2023
Chase High School	Wednesday 28 June 2023
Shoeburyness High School	Thursday 21 September 2023, 6pm to 8pm
Southchurch High School	Thursday 22 June 2023, 5.30pm
	Tuesday 26 September 2023, 5.30pm
Southend High School for Boys	Thursday 29 June 2023
Southend High School for Girls	Thursday 6 July 2023
St Bernard's High School	Wednesday 5 July 2023
St Thomas More High School	Thursday 13 July 2023, 4pm to 7pm
The Eastwood Academy	Monday 26 June 2023
Westcliff High School for Boys	Tuesday 27 June 2023, 5pm to 9pm
Westcliff High School for Girls	Tuesday 4 July 2023

Nearest Neighbouring Schools

Essex School	Date and Time
Castle View School	Details on School Website
Cornelius Vermuyden	Saturday 23 September 2023, 10am to 1pm
Greensward Academy	Thursday 5 October 2023, 6pm to 8pm
The Appleton School	Available on School Website
The Deanes School	Tuesday 19 September 2023, 6pm to 9pm
The FitzWimarc School	Thursday 28 September 2023, 6pm to 9pm
The King Edmund School	Wednesday, 27 th September
The King John School	Saturday 9 September, 9am to 1pm
The Sweyne Park School	Tuesday 26 September

