

Hylands School Admission Criteria 2018/19

Published Admission Number for September 2018: 180

Application procedures:

1. Applications for admission into Year 7 must be made to your Local Education Authority by the closing date published in the SECONDARY EDUCATION IN ESSEX booklet. Late applications will be dealt with by the local Education Authority.

The total number of intended admissions for the year commencing September 2018 will be 180. At least 165 places will be offered to pupils without reference to academic ability.

2. In view of the school's tradition of excellence in the Creative Arts, the governors will admit those with a musical, dramatic or an artistic aptitude, up to a maximum of 15 places. Aptitude will be determined on the basis of aptitude assessment in whichever field of talent indicated by the parent/carer on application. Priority will be given to those who show the most aptitude on assessment. Applications to attend assessment days can be found on the school's website in the admissions section. Additional training, resources and activities will be provided by the school for those successfully allocated one of these Creative Arts places. These students will be expected to participate in the activities provided by the school in their area of aptitude. Aptitude assessment tests will take place in the Autumn term and parents will be informed, before the Local Authority application deadline, whether your child has been offered a place in the school through this route. Applications to attend aptitude assessment days must be received by the school prior to September 1st of the year prior to application. Please note that a pass does not equate to a guarantee of a place at the school.
3. The admission criteria for the School, in the case of oversubscription, will be in the following order of priority:
 - I. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children¹
 - II. where the child has a brother or sister² currently attending the school at time of application and admission
 - III. where the child's home lies within the school's priority admission area of the following schools:
Barnes Farm Junior School
 - Chancellor Park Primary School
 - Highwood Primary School
 - Kings Road Primary School
 - Lawford Mead Junior School
 - Roxwell CE (VC) Primary School
 - Trinity Road Primary School
 - Westlands Primary School
 - Writtle Junior School
 - IV. remaining applications

¹ "Looked After Child" has the same meaning as in Section 22 of the Children Act 1989, and means any child in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by them (e.g. children with foster parents). "Adopted" as defined under the terms of the Adoption and Children Act 2002, Section 46. "Residence order" defined under the terms of the Children Act 1989 Section 8 as an order settling the arrangements to be made

² A brother or sister* is defined as a brother or sister, step-brother or step-sister, adopted brother or sister or a child in long term fostering, living at the same address, who is attending the school at the time of application and for whom there is reasonable expectation that they will be attending at the time of the proposed admission.

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 - I. 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 higher priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA and explained in the SECONDARY EDUCATION IN ESSEX booklet.
 - II. In the event of oversubscription the Governing Body of Hylands School will maintain a waiting list of admissions into Year 7 from 1st September up until the end of the relevant Autumn term. Following that time a waiting list will continue to be maintained and places allocated in line with the admissions criteria for the rest of that academic year.

Admissions to Sixth Form

5. The number intended to admit for September 2018 is 110. Where the sixth form is oversubscribed the main criteria listed above will be applied to applications. Candidates must also possess the appropriate qualifications to allow access to their chosen sixth form course. Applications will not be considered from students who do not possess qualifications in Maths and English at a grade 5 or above.