

# Directory of Schools in Suffolk

## Secondary Schools for the 2026/2027 school year

### Application closing dates for the normal year of entry:

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► Your application must reach us by <b>Friday 31 October 2025</b>
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# Introduction to admissions in Suffolk

This directory provides information about secondary schools in Suffolk in the 2026/2027 school year. It does not cover independent schools.

## Suffolk County Council (SCC) Funded School Travel

Please be aware: You **must** consider how your child will travel to and from school **before** you apply for a school place. The following information is very important:

1. We will provide SCC funded school travel to the **Nearest Suitable School** that would have had a place available for your child when they are: a) aged under 8 and live more than two miles from the school; or b) aged 8 or older and live more than three miles from the school. This would be whether or not an application was made for a place at that school. The distance in a) and b) above is called the **statutory walking distance**.
2. **We will only provide SCC funded school travel to your child's catchment area school when it is the nearest suitable school to their home that would have had a place available for them and they meet the distance criteria.**
3. It is important that you check which school is your child's nearest suitable school on our **[Nearest School Checker](#)** for the **2026/2027 school year**. You can find out which are the three nearest Suffolk schools (based on the statutory walking distance including Public Rights of Way) by putting your child's postcode into the Checker which can be found at [nearestschool.suffolk.gov.uk](http://nearestschool.suffolk.gov.uk). **We update this each year to include new roads and developments.**
4. Your **School Preferences** and the order in which you put them on your admissions application could affect your child's eligibility for SCC funded school travel. Our **School Travel Scenarios** can help you work out when your child might be eligible for SCC funded school travel to their school when the age and distance criteria are met. These can be found in Step 4 of the relevant 'Apply for a school place' page online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions).
5. **Full details about SCC funded school travel**, including the School Travel Policy, additional arrangements for low income families and those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), can be found at [www.suffolkonboard.com/schooltravel](http://www.suffolkonboard.com/schooltravel).

## School Admissions

You can decide which schools to apply for and you do not have to apply for your child's nearest suitable school. This could mean that they would not be eligible for SCC funded school travel to any school, including their catchment area school.

**For the normal year of entry, it is important that we receive your application by the relevant closing date.** If you do not apply by the closing date your application may not be dealt with until after places have been offered to those who applied on time. You should apply online and **must** submit your application by this date:

<b>Secondary schools</b>
► Your application must reach us by <b>Friday 31 October 2025</b>
<b>Primary (including infant and junior) schools</b>
► Your application must reach us by <b>Thursday 15 January 2026</b>

If for any reason you are unable to apply online, you should complete the paper application (CAF1) and send this to us so that we receive it by the relevant closing date. If you do not apply by the relevant closing date your application may not be dealt with until after places have been offered to those who applied on time. You cannot apply online after the relevant closing date.

All of the information about applying for a school place can be found in this guide and online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions).

**Apply online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions)**

# Important dates

These dates only apply to applications for the normal year of entry. All of the information about applying for a school place for the normal year of entry can be found in the 'Admissions to Schools in Suffolk 2026/2027' guide online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions), or you can request a paper copy by contacting us on 0345 600 0981 (local rate).

	<b>Secondary schools</b>	<b>Primary (including infant and junior) schools</b>
You should apply online at <a href="http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions">www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions</a> or fill in a CAF1 paper application form.	From Friday 12 September 2025	From Friday 12 September 2025
<b>National closing date for applications (online and paper)</b>	<b>Friday 31 October 2025</b>	<b>Thursday 15 January 2026</b>
If you were unable to apply by the relevant closing date, and we agree that there are very exceptional reasons for an application being late, we will consider it as on time if it is received by this date and evidence is provided with your application.  This only applies in circumstances outside your control which made it impossible for the application to have been made on time.  If you are moving house, this is the latest date for you to provide written evidence to the Admissions Team that you are legally committed to your move so that your new address can be considered in the on time allocation process.	Wednesday 17 December 2025	Thursday 5 February 2026
<b>National Offer Day</b>  If you applied online, we will send you an email to let you know which school has been offered.  If you applied on a paper application form, we will send you a letter by second class post to let you know which school has been offered.	Monday 2 March 2026	Thursday 16 April 2026
We will consider late applications (further information is online at <a href="http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions">www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions</a> ).	From Monday 2 March 2026 onwards	From Thursday 16 April 2026 onwards
We will assume that you have accepted the place offered (if you applied on time) unless you let us know in writing by this date. This does not affect your right to appeal for any of the schools where you have been refused a place.	Monday 16 March 2026	Thursday 30 April 2026
Date by which you should register an appeal if you applied on time.	Friday 27 March 2026	Friday 15 May 2026
Appeals for on time applications to be heard by this date.	Monday 15 June 2026	Friday 17 July 2026

Apply online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions)

# A quick guide to applying for a school place

This directory provides information about secondary schools in Suffolk in the 2026/2027 school year. It does not cover independent schools. It explains how places are offered when a school gets too many applications. There is a separate directory which provides information for primary (including infant and junior) schools.

## Normal year of entry applications

If you are applying for a school place in the normal year of entry, please read the 'Admissions to Schools in Suffolk 2026/2027' guide for information on how and when to apply for a school place. The normal years of entry for schools from September 2026 are shown below:

School Phase	Normal Year of entry
Primary and Infant	Reception Year
Junior	Year 3
Secondary	Year 7

**It is important that we receive your application by the relevant closing date**, please see [page 4](#). You should apply online and submit your application by this date. If for any reason you are unable to apply online, you should complete the paper application (CAF1) and send this to us so that we receive it by the relevant closing date.

If you do not apply by the relevant closing date your application may not be dealt with until after places have been offered to those who applied on time. This means that all available places at your preferred school(s) may have been filled and it could be some time before you know the outcome of your application. You cannot apply online after the relevant closing date.

## In-year applications

An in-year application is made when a parent or carer applies for their child to go to a new school during the school year, or at the start of the school year but in a different age group from the school's normal year of entry. Information on in-year applications is available online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions) or by contacting us on 0345 600 0981 (local rate).

All of the information about applying for a school place can be found online, including Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions).

## Or you can contact the Admissions Team:

**By email:** [admissions@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@suffolk.gov.uk)      **By phone:** 0345 600 0981 (local rate)  
**By post:** The Admissions Team, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 2BX

## For more information and to keep up to date with school admissions:

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Follow us on X: [x.com/suffolkcc](http://x.com/suffolkcc)

Apply online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions)

# Key information about schools

## Suffolk's co-ordinated admissions scheme

There are different types of schools in Suffolk (maintained, academies and free schools) and we co-ordinate admissions to the normal year of entry for them all.

The **co-ordinated admissions scheme** can be found under 'Further information' on the relevant page online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions). You can also request a paper copy by contacting us on 0345 600 0981 (local rate). This document provides the detailed admission arrangements for Suffolk and is in place to make sure all applications are handled fairly, consistently and efficiently. It applies to all schools in Suffolk to ensure that children across the county are offered a single school place on the same day.

For in-year applications, you will need to apply to some schools directly. In these cases, the school's governing body or academy trust will process your application. For all other schools in-year applications will be processed by Suffolk County Council. The different types of schools in Suffolk and information about where to send your application are shown below:

School type	Send normal year of entry application to	Send in-year application to
<b>Maintained schools</b>  A maintained school is a state school funded by central government through the local authority and does not charge fees. These include community, voluntary controlled, voluntary aided schools.		
<b>Community and Voluntary Controlled (VC) schools</b>  We are the admissions authority for these schools, and we are responsible for setting the admissions arrangements and allocating places in accordance with Suffolk County Council's published oversubscription criteria.	Suffolk County Council	Suffolk County Council
<b>Voluntary Aided (VA) schools</b>  These schools are run by the school governors, so the school's governing body is the admissions authority. They are responsible for setting the admissions arrangements and allocating places in accordance with their published oversubscription criteria.	Suffolk County Council	School
<b>Academies and free schools</b>  Academies and free schools receive their funding directly from central government and are outside of Suffolk County Council's control. These schools are run by the governing body or academy trust. They are the admissions authority responsible for setting the admissions arrangements and allocating places in accordance with the published oversubscription criteria. Some schools will become academies during the school year.	Suffolk County Council	School

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# How places are offered

## How places are offered if there are more applications than places available

If a school receives more applications than it has places available ('oversubscribed') then the school's published oversubscription criteria are used to decide which applicants will be offered a place. We will offer your child a place at the highest ranked school where possible.

Depending on the type of school, these decisions are either made by Suffolk County Council, the school's governing body or by the academy trust. You can find the oversubscription criteria for all schools online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions) or by clicking on the link in the [list of schools](#) in this Directory. Further information is on [page 14 'Admission policies'](#).

## Suffolk County Council's admissions oversubscription criteria for community and voluntary controlled schools

Where there are more applications than places available we will rank your application using Suffolk County Council's admissions oversubscription criteria below.

**Children who have an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan which names the school must by law be offered a place at that school.**

The following admissions oversubscription criteria show the order of priority for places at community and voluntary controlled schools, community school sixth forms, and at those voluntary aided schools and academies where they have agreed to operate the same policy as Suffolk County Council. Further information is on [page 14 'Admission policies'](#).

These criteria may also be used to allocate places at schools that were community or voluntary controlled schools when their admissions arrangements were determined for the 2026/2027 school year but have since converted to academy status.

For applications to the normal year of entry at a school, these criteria will be applied according to the evidence provided to show the circumstances existing before midnight at the end of the relevant closing date. For in-year applications, these criteria will be applied according to the evidence provided to show the circumstances existing at the time of application.

1)	Children in care (looked after children) and children who were previously in care (children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order, immediately following having been in care, including those who appear [to the admission authority] to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted).
2)	Sibling: where the child has a sibling in the school or a sibling has already been offered a place at the school, and where the sibling will still be attending the school at the time of admission but not in a specialist unit or a specialist resource base for Hearing Impaired provision, a nursery or in the sixth form. Priority will be given, where necessary, to applications where there is the smallest age gap in calendar days between the child's date of birth and the date of birth of any sibling already attending the school, or who has been offered a place at the time of application.  The term 'sibling' includes: natural, half, step, and adopted brothers and sisters; a child of the partner of the parent; and children who are fostered into the family. In all these cases, the child and their sibling will both be living at the same address (that is where the child is ordinarily resident) in a single family unit. This means that children from

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	different family units, where those separate families are living together at the same address, are not considered siblings under this criterion.
3)	<p>Children who are ordinarily resident in the catchment area who live nearest to the school.</p> <p>We will measure the distance by a straight line ('as the crow flies'). All straight line distances are calculated electronically by Suffolk County Council using data provided jointly by the Post Office and Ordnance Survey. The data plots the co-ordinates of each property and provides the address-point between which the straight line distance is measured and reported to three decimal places. Where there is more than one home within a single building (for example apartments) we will measure to a single point within that building irrespective of where those homes are located.</p>
4)	<p>Children who live outside the school's catchment area who live nearest to the school.</p> <p>We will measure the distance by a straight line ('as the crow flies') as set out in criterion 3) above.</p>

## Notes to Suffolk County Council's admissions oversubscription criteria

### Parent

For the purposes of education law, section 576 of the Education Act 1996 defines a 'parent' as:

- all natural (biological) parents, whether they are married or not
- any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility for a child or young person (this could be a step-parent, guardian or other relative)
- any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child or young person.

A person has care of a child or young person if they are the person with whom the child lives and who looks after the child, irrespective of what their relationship is with the child.

### Children in care (looked after children)

A 'child in care' or a 'looked after child' is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

### Children previously in care (previously looked after children)

Children previously in care (previously looked after children) includes children who were adopted under the Adoption Act 1976 (section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children's Act 2002 (section 46 adoption orders). Child arrangements orders are defined in section 8 of the Children Act 1989, as amended by section 12 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Child arrangements orders replace residence orders and any residence order in force prior to 22 April 2014 is deemed to be a child arrangements order.

### Children adopted from state care outside of England

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 and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.

## **Sibling tie-breaker**

Priority will be given, where necessary, to applications where there is the smallest age gap in calendar days between the child's date of birth and the date of birth of any sibling already attending the school, or who has been offered a place at the time of application.

In the unlikely event that two applicants competing for a single place at a school have the same number of days difference in age from their closest aged sibling, the place will be offered to one applicant on the basis of lots drawn by an officer of Suffolk County Council not involved with admissions.

## **Distance tie-breaker**

It is possible that the PAN of the school will be reached in any one of the categories. For this reason, all applications will be prioritised according to the criteria described. Decisions will be made about the offer of places in accordance with those priorities. If it is necessary to use a tie-breaker to distinguish between two or more applications, a distance criterion will be used. We will give priority to the applicants who live nearest to the school as measured by a straight line.

In the unlikely event that two applicants competing for a single place at a school live the same distance from the school, the place will be offered to one applicant on the basis of lots drawn by an officer of Suffolk County Council not involved with admissions.

## **Twins, triplets and other multiple births**

If the final place available at a school is offered to a twin, triplet or other multiple birth and the remaining sibling(s) would ordinarily be refused, we will offer places to the remaining sibling(s) at the same school. Where a sibling of a twin, triplet or other multiple birth has a school named on their EHC plan, we will from the date of issue of the EHC plan treat their twin, triplets or other multiple births under the sibling oversubscription criterion for the named school. This does not apply to siblings of children in a specialist unit or a specialist resource base for Hearing Impaired provision or a nursery, because they do not meet the sibling definition in the oversubscription criteria.

## **Waiting lists**

If we are unable to offer your child a place at your preferred school(s) in the normal year of entry, we will automatically add their name to the waiting list for that school(s). Names are placed on the waiting list in the priority order set out in the school's admissions oversubscription criteria.

The order of the waiting list can change each time a child's name is added or the circumstances of a child already on the list changes. As a result, a child's place on the list can go up or down (for example due to withdrawals or late applications). If you change your address while your child is on a waiting list, you must let us know. Please be aware that this may change your child's position on the waiting list. Written evidence of this will be required.

Having your child's name on a waiting list will not affect your right to appeal for any of the schools your child has been refused a place at.

Late applicants will be added to any waiting lists in oversubscription priority order if their parental preferences cannot be met. If a place becomes available at a school, it will be offered to the child who is ranked highest on the waiting list. Places are not offered based on the date on which names were placed on the list.

The waiting lists for community and voluntary controlled schools will close on 31 December 2026. The waiting lists for those voluntary aided schools and academies who have agreed to operate the same policy as Suffolk County Council will also close on 31 December 2026.

Information on when the waiting lists close for voluntary aided, free schools and academies who do not follow the same policy as Suffolk County Council is available from the schools directly.

Suffolk County Council does not hold waiting lists for in-year applicants.

### **Making another application for a place at the same school**

You can apply for a school place for your child through the in-year process and we will consider this. If your application has been refused, we will not process another application for the same school in the same school year, unless there has been a significant change in circumstances of the parent/carer, child or school. This might be a house move or a place becoming available at a school.

If there is no significant change in circumstances, you can make another application for the following school year. This will not normally be considered more than one term ahead of the date when you want your child to start at the school.

### **Ordinarily resident**

By ordinarily resident we mean the place where your child usually lives. We consider this to be where they sleep overnight. We may need proof of this address. If you use another address to give the impression that your child lives at a different address to where they are ordinarily resident, such as a second home or a grandparent's address, so that you have a higher priority for a place at that school; we consider this to be a fraudulent application. Where a child lives at two or more addresses, each for part of the week, the address at which the child is ordinarily resident will be considered to be the address that the child lives at for most of the week (excluding weekends and school holidays). Separate evidence in writing from each parent must be provided to confirm the child's living arrangements at the time of application.

In cases where the child spends an equal proportion of the school week at two or more different addresses, evidence of which is to be considered the main contact address will be required to support the application. Agreement in writing by the parents will be required to state which address is to be used as the ordinarily resident address. This address will then be used when processing all school preferences expressed. It is not acceptable to use one address for one school preference and another address for another school preference.

If we are aware of a parental dispute affecting the application, we may not be able to deal with the application and you may need to seek independent legal advice in order to resolve the matter.

**Please note:** we will not consider a child to be ordinarily resident at an address that they sometimes sleep at due to childcare arrangements. For example, if a child sleeps at their grandparent's address some nights during the school week whilst one of their parents works shift patterns, we will not accept the grandparent's address for the purposes of allocating a school place.

### **Catchment area schools**

Every community and voluntary controlled school serves an area of streets or villages. Catchment area lists and maps are available online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/catchmentmaps](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/catchmentmaps). If you live near to a boundary line on the map, please check your address against the catchment area and/or street lists. A list or copy of a map can also be obtained from the [Admissions Team](#).

**Apply online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions)**

**A catchment area school may not be the nearest suitable school to your child's home address.** If this is the case, we would not normally provide SCC funded school travel for your child to their catchment area school.

**Please note:** Some voluntary aided, free schools and academies do not have catchment areas.

### **Applications for a place outside the normal age group**

It is expected that children will normally be educated within their normal age group (chronological year group). When a request is made for a child to be educated out of their normal age group, admission authorities will make decisions on the basis of the circumstances of each case and in the best interests of the child concerned in line with the School Admissions Code.

This includes when you wish for your summer born (April to August) child to start full-time education in the Reception Year group when they reach compulsory school age rather than in Year 1.

You need to be aware that any decision made by an admission authority about a change to the normal age group will not be binding on any other admission authorities considering applications for this year group or schools in later years. The admission authorities of the preferred schools named in such an application would have to consider the evidence provided and reach their own conclusion, in the light of the legislation and guidance available at that time.

There are different ways of making a request for delayed or accelerated transfer depending on what type of school you intend to apply for:

**Community and voluntary controlled schools:** You can make a request in writing for a delayed or accelerated transfer to the Admissions Team. This will need to include, where relevant, any supporting information about why your child should be admitted out of their normal age group.

When considering the request this will include, but is not limited to, taking account of your views as the parent or carer; information about your child's academic, social, and emotional development; whether your child has previously been educated out of their normal age group; and whether they may naturally have fallen into a lower age group if it were not for being born prematurely. Any evidence in respect of these or any other reasons can be submitted. Where relevant, consideration can be given to your child's medical history and any evidence from a medical professional involved with your child's care or treatment such as:

- a speech and language therapist
- an occupational therapist
- a social worker
- a paediatrician
- your child's nursery, childminder or current school.

The decision will also take into account the views of the headteacher of the school(s) concerned.

You are not expected to get evidence that you do not already have.

An application for your child's normal transfer year group should be made at the same time. The request with a paper application (CAF1) must be sent to the Admissions Team by the relevant national closing dates (see the '[Important dates](#)' section).

**Apply online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions)**

Officers at Suffolk County Council will make a decision on the request. The Admissions Team will write to you with the outcome including the reasons for the decision. If the request is refused you will be given details of how to complain. Even if the request is agreed there is no guarantee there will be a place available at your preferred school(s).

**Voluntary aided, free schools and academies:** You can make a request to the admission authority for each school in writing. This will need to include, where relevant, any supporting information about why the child should be admitted out of their normal age group. The governing body or academy trust will make a decision on the request, taking into account the views of the headteacher.

The school will write to you with the outcome including the reasons for the decision. If the request is refused, you should be given the details of how to complain to the school.

A paper application (CAF1) must be sent to Suffolk County Council along with the decision letter(s) from the own admissions authority school(s) and other relevant evidence by the relevant national closing dates (see the '[Important dates](#)' section). Even if the request is agreed there is no guarantee there will be a place available.

**Further information:** If you have not got the agreement of the admission authority for your child to be taught out of their normal age group, your preference for that school will not be considered.

You should make a request for admission out of the normal age group at each school you wish to apply for, in case your preferred school is unable to offer your child a place.

Further information for parents when making a request for admission out of the normal age group can also be found on the [Department for Education website](#). If you would like further advice, please contact the [Admissions Team](#).

## Appeals

All applicants refused a place have a right of appeal to an independent appeal panel constituted and operated in accordance with the School Admission Appeals Code.

Information on how to make an appeal will be provided in the letter refusing your child a school place.

## Admissions to a community school sixth form

Year 11 students who are staying at their community school's sixth form are able to continue into Year 12, subject to meeting minimum entry requirements. The Published Admission Number (PAN) for a community school sixth form is the number of places available for external students to enter that sixth form. If the demand for those places exceeds the PAN, the oversubscription criteria listed above will be applied.

Each sixth form will have minimum entry requirements depending upon the course being applied for. For example, to enter an A Level course the school may make a decision based on an applicant's achievements at GCSE. Please see the individual school's sixth form prospectus for further details and how to apply. The link to these can be found on the schools' websites which are listed in the Directory of Schools in Suffolk for the relevant school year at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions).

# School details

Suffolk County Council makes decisions for community and voluntary controlled schools. The governing bodies or academy trusts of voluntary aided, free schools and academies determine the order in which applications should be ranked according to their oversubscription criteria. These are known as own admission authority schools.

The following pages provide alphabetical lists of Suffolk secondary schools, sixth form colleges, university technical colleges, specialist education including special schools and units, and alternative provision including pupil referral units. We have not included information on independent schools.

We have provided some key information about each school to help you when you are applying for a school place, including the:

- School's address and phone number.
- School's website.
- Age range and type of school.
- Headteacher's name.
- Published Admission Number (PAN) for the 2026/2027 school year, further information below. Where the PAN for 2026/2027 is lower than the PAN, or the number that the school agreed to work to, for 2025/2026, you should be aware that places will be more limited, and the pattern of admissions may change.
- The sixth form PAN for 2026/2027. This is the number of students who can be admitted from outside the school to Year 12 (that is to say, not including those students who transfer from Year 11 itself).
- Link to the list of schools' admissions policies, which include the oversubscription criteria. Suffolk County Council's oversubscription criteria, which starts on [page 7](#) of this directory, applies to community and voluntary controlled schools and those voluntary aided schools and academies where they have agreed to operate the same policy.
- Link to the Supplementary Information Form (SIF), if the school has one. You may need to complete and submit a SIF at the same time as making your application. Further information will be in the school's admissions policy.

## Published Admission Number

A set number of places are offered in any one year. This number is known as the Published Admission Number (PAN), which is based on a national formula for deciding how many children can go to a school, without causing overcrowding.

Although the PAN applies to the normal year of entry, this number would normally be applied across all year groups in the school. There may be times for other year groups where this is not possible.

If the number of applicants is less than the PAN all applicants will normally be admitted. If a school receives more applications than it has places available (oversubscribed) then the school's published oversubscription criteria are used to decide which applicants will be offered places.

## Admissions policies

If the school has their own admissions policy, which sets out how places will be prioritised, this can be found online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions) or by clicking on the link in the [list of schools starting on page 15](#). If you require a paper copy, please contact us on 0345 600 0981.

## Information from the 2025/2026 school year

We have also included information relating to the on time applications we received for the normal year of entry to the school in September 2025 (2025/2026 school year). This is to help you judge whether or not your application for a school place might be successful when you are completing your application. It includes the:

- Published Admission Number (PAN) for 2025/2026.
- Number of pupils on roll at the school in January 2025.
- Number of applications received by the relevant closing date. This is the number of applications for which no higher preference school was offered. It may include second and third preferences as well as first preferences. The figure is intended to give you an idea of the demand for places at the school. **Please note that if you only apply for schools that have previously had more applications than places, there is a possibility that you will not be offered a place at any of them.**
- Number of places that were actually allocated at the school to on time applicants.
- Number of on time applications that were refused.
- Criterion under which the last child was admitted to oversubscribed schools. Where schools were not oversubscribed all applicants were admitted. Where schools were oversubscribed, the oversubscription criteria that was applied and the cut-off point is indicated.

## Secondary schools

<b>Alde Valley Academy</b> , Seaward Avenue, Leiston, IP16 4BG	
11-16 academy	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.aldevalley.suffolk.sch.uk">www.aldevalley.suffolk.sch.uk</a>	
Telephone Number: 01728 830570	
Headteacher: Mr G Hetherington	
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 674	
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 150	
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy	
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 112. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 150 places for this year group.	
Number of applications received by the relevant closing date: 118	
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 118	
Number of on time applications refused: 0	
<b>Beccles High School</b> , Castle Hill, Beccles, NR34 7BQ	
11-16 free school	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.beccleshighschool.org">www.beccleshighschool.org</a>	
Telephone Number: 01502 718850	
Headteacher: Mr C Barns	
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 238	
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 60	
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant<sup>c^</sup></a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy	
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 120	
Number of applications received by the closing date: 31	
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 31	
Number of on time applications refused: 0	
<b>Benjamin Britten Academy of Music and Mathematics</b> , Blyford Road, Lowestoft, NR32 4PZ	
11-16 academy	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.benjaminbritten.school">www.benjaminbritten.school</a>	
Telephone Number: 01502 582312	
Executive Headteacher: Mr J McAtear	Headteachers: Dr A Ridley and Ms I Thurbon
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1262	
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 215	
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy	
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 215	
Number of applications received by the closing date: 294	
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 215	
Number of on time applications refused: 79	
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group D1 – children not attending a partner primary school but with a sibling, distance 0.507 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.	

<b>Breckland School</b> , Crown Street, Brandon, IP27 0PE
11-16 free school
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.brecklandschool.co.uk">www.brecklandschool.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01842 819501
Headteacher: Mr J Chapman
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 613
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 120
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 120
Number of applications received by the closing date: 125
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 120
Number of on time applications refused: 5
Criterion under which last child admitted: Out-catchment distance 6.392 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.
<b>Bungay High School</b> , Queen's Road, Bungay, NR35 1RW
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.bungayhigh.co.uk">www.bungayhigh.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01986 892140
Headteacher: Mrs C Oswick
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 996
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 210
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 30
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 210
Number of applications received by the closing date: 153
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 153
Number of on time applications refused: 0
<b>Castle Manor Academy</b> , Eastern Avenue, Haverhill, CB9 9JE
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://castlemanor.org.uk">castlemanor.org.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01440 705501
Headteacher: Mrs V Whitcombe
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 757
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 150
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 150
Number of applications received by the closing date: 144
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 144
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Chantry Academy</b> , Mallard Way, Ipswich, IP2 9LR	
11-16 academy	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.chantryacademy.org">www.chantryacademy.org</a>	
Telephone Number: 01473 687181	
Executive Headteacher: Mr J Rowe	Head of School: Mr R Hanson
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 984	
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 210	
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy	
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 210	
Number of applications received by the closing date: 246	
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 210	
Number of on time applications refused: 36	
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group E – other children by distance, 0.265 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.	

<b>Claydon High School</b> , Church Lane, Claydon, Ipswich, IP6 0EG
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.claydonhigh.com">www.claydonhigh.com</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 836110
Headteacher: Mr M Ismay
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 771
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 149. The PAN for 2026/2027 is lower than the number of places the school agreed to offer in 2025/2026, which means the pattern of admissions may change.
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 149. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 155 places for this year group.
Number of applications received by the closing date: 196
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 155
Number of on time applications refused: 41
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 8 – all other applicants by distance, 1.869 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<b>Copleston High School</b> , Copleston Road, Ipswich, IP4 5HD	
11-18 academy	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.copleston.suffolk.sch.uk">www.copleston.suffolk.sch.uk</a>	
Telephone Number: 01473 277240	
Principal: Mr A Green	Head of School: Miss T King
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1937	
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 326	
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 30	
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy	
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 326	
Number of applications received by the closing date: 418	
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 326	
Number of on time applications refused: 92	

Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 7 – children who live outside the school's catchment area on distance, 0.94 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

**County High School**, Beetons Way, Bury St Edmunds, IP32 6RF

11-16 academy

Visit the school's website at [www.countyhigh.uk](http://www.countyhigh.uk)

Telephone Number: 01284 754857

Headteacher: Ms S Kennedy

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 739

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 180

Please refer to [the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form \(SIF\), where relevant](#), or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy

2025/2026 School Year PAN: 180

Number of applications received by the closing date: 95

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 95

Number of on time applications refused: 0

**Debenham High School**, Gracechurch Street, Debenham, Stowmarket, IP14 6BL

11-16 academy

Visit the school's website at [www.debenhamhighschool.suffolk.sch.uk](http://www.debenhamhighschool.suffolk.sch.uk)

Telephone Number: 01728 860213

Headteacher: Mr S Martin

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 699

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 125. The PAN for 2026/2027 is lower than the number of places the school agreed to offer in 2025/2026, which means the pattern of admissions may change.

Please refer to [the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form \(SIF\), where relevant](#), or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy

2025/2026 School Year PAN: 125. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 140 places for this year group.

Number of applications received by the closing date: 165

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 140

Number of on time applications refused: 25

Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 3e – all other applicants ranked by distance, 6.993 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

**East Bergholt High School**, Heath Road, East Bergholt, CO7 6RJ

11-16 academy

Visit the school's website at [www.ebhigh.org.uk](http://www.ebhigh.org.uk)

Telephone Number: 01206 298200

Headteacher: Mr D Woodcock

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 894

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 186

Please refer to [the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form \(SIF\), where relevant](#), or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy

2025/2026 School Year PAN: 186

Number of applications received by the closing date: 199

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 186

Number of on time applications refused: 13

Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 8 – all other applicants by distance, 7.08 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

**East Point Academy**, Kirkley Run, Lowestoft, NR33 0UQ

11-16 academy

Visit the school's website at [www.eastpointacademy.org](http://www.eastpointacademy.org)

Telephone Number: 01502 525300

Principal: Mr P Seadon

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 826

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 200

Please refer to [the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form \(SIF\), where relevant](#), or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy

2025/2026 School Year PAN: 200

Number of applications received by the closing date: 152

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 152

Number of on time applications refused: 0

**Farlingaye High School**, Ransom Road, Woodbridge, IP12 4JX

11-18 academy

Visit the school's website at [www.farlingaye.suffolk.sch.uk](http://www.farlingaye.suffolk.sch.uk)

Telephone Number: 01394 385720

Headteacher: Mr P Smith

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1883

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 308

2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 75

Please refer to [the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form \(SIF\), where relevant](#), or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy

2025/2026 School Year PAN: 308

Number of applications received by the closing date: 306

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 306

Number of on time applications refused: 0

**Felixstowe School**, High Street, Felixstowe, IP11 9QR

11-18 academy

Visit the school's website at [www.fxs.org.uk](http://www.fxs.org.uk)

Telephone Number: 01394 288228

Headteacher: Mrs E Wilson-Downes

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1211

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 280

2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 100

Please refer to [the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form \(SIF\), where relevant](#), or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy

2025/2026 School Year PAN: 280

Number of applications received by the closing date: 221

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 221

Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Hadleigh High School</b> , Highlands Road, Hadleigh, Ipswich, IP7 5HU
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.hadleighhigh.net">www.hadleighhigh.net</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 823496
Headteacher: Mrs N Shingleton
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 731
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 174
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 174
Number of applications received by the closing date: 145
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 145
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Hartismere School</b> , Castleton Way, Eye, IP23 7BL
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.hartismere.com">www.hartismere.com</a>
Telephone Number: 01379 870315
Executive Headteacher: Mr J McAtear
Headteachers: Mr G Luxton and Ms S Gray
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1051
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 147. The PAN for 2026/2027 is lower than the number of places the school agreed to offer in 2025/2026, which means the pattern of admissions may change.
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 100
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 147. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 177 places for this year group.
Number of applications received by the closing date: 184
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 177
Number of on time applications refused: 7
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group E2 – children who do not attend a partner primary school with an aptitude in music, 5.561 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<b>Holbrook Academy</b> , Holbrook, Ipswich, IP9 2QX
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://holbrookacademy.org">holbrookacademy.org</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 328317
Headteacher: Mrs C Elliott
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 593
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 120
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 120
Number of applications received by the closing date: 113
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 113
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Ipswich Academy</b> , 9 Brazier's Wood Road, Ipswich, IP3 0SP
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://ipswichacademy.paradigmtrust.org">ipswichacademy.paradigmtrust.org</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 550040
Principal: Mr A Wilding
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1006
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 210
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 210
Number of applications received by the closing date: 139
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 139
Number of on time applications refused: 0
<b>Ixworth High School</b> , Walsham Road, Ixworth, Bury St Edmunds, IP31 2HS
11-16 free school
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.ixworthhighschool.org">www.ixworthhighschool.org</a>
Telephone Number: 01359 234050
Headteacher: Mr A Gibb
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 547
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 120
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 120
Number of applications received by the closing date: 91
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 91
Number of on time applications refused: 0
<b>Kesgrave High School</b> , Kesgrave, Ipswich, IP5 2PB
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.kesgrave.suffolk.sch.uk">www.kesgrave.suffolk.sch.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 624855
Headteacher: Miss J Upton
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1858
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 308
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 50
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 308
Number of applications received by the closing date: 314
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 308
Number of on time applications refused: 6
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 5b) – children who do not reside within the catchment area, distance 5.292 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<b>King Edward VI CEVC School</b> , Grove Road, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 3BH
11-16 voluntary controlled school
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk">www.king-ed.suffolk.sch.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01284 761393
Headteacher: Mr D O'Regan
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1199
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 240
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 240
Number of applications received by the closing date: 245
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 240
Number of on time applications refused: 5
Criterion under which last child admitted: Out-catchment distance 11.840 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<b>Mildenhall College Academy</b> , The Hub, Sheldrick Way, Mildenhall, Bury St Edmunds, IP28 7JX
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.mildenhall.attrust.org.uk">www.mildenhall.attrust.org.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01638 714645
Principal: Mr J Oxley
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1338
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 210. The PAN for 2026/2027 is lower than the number of places the school agreed to offer in 2025/2026, which means the pattern of admissions may change.
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 10
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 210. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 270 places for this year group.
Number of applications received by the closing date: 219
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 219
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Newmarket Academy</b> , Exning Road, Newmarket, CB8 0EB
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://newmarketacademy.co.uk">newmarketacademy.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01638 664412
Headteacher: Mr M Witter
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 813
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 180
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 180
Number of applications received by the closing date: 151
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 151
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Northgate High School</b> , Sidegate Lane, Ipswich, IP4 3DL
11-18 community school
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.northgate.suffolk.sch.uk">www.northgate.suffolk.sch.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 210123
Headteacher: Miss R Mackie
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1709
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 252
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 150
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 252
Number of applications received by the closing date: 397
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 252
Number of on time applications refused: 145
Criterion under which last child admitted: Catchment distance 1.337 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<b>Ormiston Denes Academy</b> , Yarmouth Road, Lowestoft, NR32 4AH
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://ormistondenes.co.uk">ormistondenes.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01502 574474
Principal: Mrs K Williams
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 730
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 162
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 200
Number of applications received by the closing date: 128
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 128
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Ormiston Endeavour Academy</b> , Defoe Road, Ipswich, IP1 6SG
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://ormistonendeavouracademy.co.uk">ormistonendeavouracademy.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 464545
Principal: Mr J Daniels
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 739
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 180
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 180
Number of applications received by the closing date: 137
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 137
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Ormiston Sudbury Academy</b> , Tudor Road, Sudbury, CO10 1NW	
11-16 academy	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://ormistonsudburyacademy.co.uk">ormistonsudburyacademy.co.uk</a>	
Telephone Number: 01787 375131	
Principal: Mrs S Morris	
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 679	
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 160	
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy	
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 160	
Number of applications received by the closing date: 140	
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 140	
Number of on time applications refused: 0	
<b>Pakefield High School</b> , London Road, Pakefield, Lowestoft, NR33 7AQ	
11-16 academy	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.pakefield.org.uk">www.pakefield.org.uk</a>	
Telephone Number: 01502 530750	
Head of School: Mr P Dougherty	
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 701	
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 180	
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy	
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 180	
Number of applications received by the closing date: 163	
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 163	
Number of on time applications refused: 0	
<b>Samuel Ward Academy</b> , Chalkstone Way, Haverhill, CB9 0LD	
11-18 academy	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.samuelward.co.uk">www.samuelward.co.uk</a>	
Telephone Number: 01440 761511	
Headteacher: Mr T Johnston	Head of School: Dr K Geall
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1152	
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 230	
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 30	
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy	
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 230	
Number of applications received by the closing date: 166	
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 166	
Number of on time applications refused: 0	
<b>Sir John Leman High School</b> , Ringsfield Road, Beccles, NR34 9PG	
11-18 academy	
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.sirjohnleman.co.uk">www.sirjohnleman.co.uk</a>	
Telephone Number: 01502 713223	
Headteacher: Ms S Hartshorn	
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1439	

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2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 270
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 25
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 240
Number of applications received by the closing date: 237
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 237
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>St Alban's Catholic High School</b> , Digby Road, Ipswich, IP4 3NJ
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.st-albans.suffolk.sch.uk">www.st-albans.suffolk.sch.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 726178
Headteacher: Mr S Corless
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 996
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 174
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 5
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 174
Number of applications received by the closing date: 233
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 174
Number of on time applications refused: 59
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 18 – other children who currently attend a feeder school, distance 1.68 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<b>St Benedict's Catholic School</b> , Beetons Way, Bury St Edmunds, IP32 6RH
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.st-benedicts.suffolk.sch.uk">www.st-benedicts.suffolk.sch.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01284 753512
Headteacher: Mrs I Senior
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 976
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 165
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 10
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 165
Number of applications received by the closing date: 246
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 165
Number of on time applications refused: 81
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 8 – children of other Christian denominations, distance 9.224 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<b>Stoke High School – Ormiston Academy</b> , Maidenhall Approach, Ipswich, IP2 8PL
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://stokehighoa.co.uk">stokehighoa.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01473 601252
Principal: Ms K Baldwin
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 790
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 172

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<p>Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a>, or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy</p>
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 172
Number of applications received by the closing date: 145
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 145
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<p><b>Stour Valley Community School</b>, Cavendish Road, Clare, Sudbury, CO10 8PJ</p>
11-16 free school
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org">www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org</a>
Telephone Number: 01787 279342
Headteacher: Mrs R Kelly
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 569
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 115. The PAN for 2026/2027 is lower than the number of places the school agreed to offer in 2025/2026, which means the pattern of admissions may change.
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 115. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 120 places for this year group.
Number of applications received by the closing date: 145
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 120
Number of on time applications refused: 25
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group E – children who live nearest the school, distance 5.264 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<p><b>Stowmarket High School</b>, Onehouse Road, Stowmarket, IP14 1QR</p>
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.stowhigh.com">www.stowhigh.com</a>
Telephone Number: 01449 613541
Headteacher: Ms L Hernandez
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 896
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 210
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 180. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 190 places for this year group.
Number of applications received by the closing date: 224
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 190
Number of on time applications refused: 34
Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 6 – children on roll at feeder school who live nearest to the school but outside of the catchment area, distance 2 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

<p><b>Stowupland High School</b>, Church Road, Stowupland, Stowmarket, IP14 4BQ</p>
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.stowuplandhighschool.co.uk">www.stowuplandhighschool.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01449 674827
Headteacher: Mr L Walker
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 897
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 210

Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 210
Number of applications received by the closing date: 143
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 143
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Stradbroke High School</b> , Wilby Road, Stradbroke, Eye, IP21 5JN
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.stradbrokehigh.co.uk">www.stradbrokehigh.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01379 384387
Headteacher: Mrs K Millar
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 339
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 87
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 87
Number of applications received by the closing date: 64
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 64
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Sybil Andrews Academy</b> , Rougham Towers, Rougham, Bury St Edmunds, IP32 7QB
11-16 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.sybilandrewsacademy.co.uk">www.sybilandrewsacademy.co.uk</a>
Telephone Number: 01284 413400
Headteacher: Mr H Stevenson
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 627
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 150
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 150
Number of applications received by the closing date: 120
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 120
Number of on time applications refused: 0

<b>Thomas Gainsborough School</b> , Wells Hall Road, Great Cornard, Sudbury, CO10 0NH
11-18 academy
Visit the school's website at <a href="http://www.tgschool.net">www.tgschool.net</a>
Telephone Number: 01787 375232
Headteacher: Mr C Lewis
Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1615
2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 280
2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 20
Please refer to <a href="#">the school's 2026/2027 admission policy and Supplementary Information Form (SIF), where relevant</a> , or contact 0345 600 0981 for a copy
2025/2026 School Year PAN: 240. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 280 places for this year group.
Number of applications received by the closing date: 310
Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 280
Number of on time applications refused: 30

Criterion under which last child admitted: Priority Group 4.2 – children who do not attend a named partner school on proximity, distance 3.024 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

**Thomas Mills High School**, Saxtead Road, Framlingham, Woodbridge, IP13 9HE

11-18 academy

Visit the school's website at [thomasmills.suffolk.sch.uk](http://thomasmills.suffolk.sch.uk)

Telephone Number: 01728 723493

Headteacher: Mr P Hurst

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1001

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 168. The PAN for 2026/2027 is lower than the number of places the school agreed to offer in 2025/2026, which means the pattern of admissions may change.

2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 95

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2025/2026 School Year PAN: 168. After the PAN was published, it was agreed the school would offer 203 places for this year group.

Number of applications received by the closing date: 208

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 203

Number of on time applications refused: 5

Criterion under which last child admitted: Out-catchment distance 15.904 miles – see 2025/2026 policy.

**Thurston Community College**, Norton Road, Thurston, Bury St Edmunds, IP31 3PB

11-18 community school

Visit the school's website at [www.thurstoncollege.org](http://www.thurstoncollege.org)

Telephone Number: 01359 230885

Principal: Ms M Taylor

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1484

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 330

2026/2027 School Year Sixth Form PAN: 50

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2025/2026 School Year PAN: 330

Number of applications received by the closing date: 284

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 284

Number of on time applications refused: 0

**Westbourne Academy**, Marlow Road, Ipswich, IP1 5JN

11-16 academy

Visit the school's website at [www.westbourne.attrust.org.uk](http://www.westbourne.attrust.org.uk)

Telephone Number: 01473 742315

Principal: Mr M Higgon

Number on Roll (Jan 2025): 1038

2026/2027 School Year Published Admission Number (PAN): 224

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2025/2026 School Year PAN: 224

Number of applications received by the closing date: 187

Number of places allocated to on time applicants: 187

Number of on time applications refused: 0

## Sixth form colleges

**Abbeygate Sixth Form College**, Beetons Way, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 3TT

16-19 sixth form college

Visit the school's website at [www.abbeygatesfc.ac.uk](http://www.abbeygatesfc.ac.uk)

Telephone Number: 01284 636501

Principal: Dr N Savvas

**Lowestoft Sixth Form College**, Rotterdam Road, Lowestoft, NR32 2PJ

16-19 sixth form college

Visit the school's website at [www.lowestoftsfc.ac.uk](http://www.lowestoftsfc.ac.uk)

Telephone Number: 01502 537000

Principal: Ms K Payne

**One Sixth Form College**, Scrivener Drive, Ipswich, IP8 3SU

16-19 sixth form academy

Visit the school's website at [www.suffolkone.ac.uk](http://www.suffolkone.ac.uk)

Telephone Number: 01473 556600

Principal: Mr J Robson

## University Technical Colleges

**Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology**, Robinson Way, Cambridge, CB2 0SZ

13-19 university technical college

Visit the school's website at [www.cambridgeast.org.uk](http://www.cambridgeast.org.uk)

Telephone Number: 01223 724300

Principal: Mrs D Pacey

**University Technical College Norfolk**, Old Hall Road, Norwich, Norfolk, NR4 6FF

14-19 university technical college

Visit the school's website at [utcn.org.uk](http://utcn.org.uk)

Telephone Number: 01603 580280

Headteacher: Mr L Moralee

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**E-mail:** [customerrights@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:customerrights@suffolk.gov.uk)

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