

HOW TO APPLY ON TIME FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL – GUIDE 2025

A guide for Bexley parents to help you apply on time and online for a secondary school place starting September 2025.

Transferring to Secondary school

Who should apply? Parents of children born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014

Deadline date 31 October 2024- If you do not apply by this date you will not be considered for a place in your preferred school on National Offer Day.

Offer Day 1 March 2025

Apply at www.eadmissions.org.uk via the Bexley website from 1ST September 2024

A Plan your application

- You must apply to the borough you live in
- You will need an email address to apply.
- Decide which schools you want to apply for before you start the application online. You can list any school in any borough but please do not list Independent schools as they are not part of the process.
- Read the Applying for a School Place 2025 document online at www.Bexley.gov.uk/admissions for further detailed information about how to apply and Bexley schools.
- Visit the schools.
- List six preferences Listing only one school does not improve your chances.
- Include a school that has historically covered your address.
- Always remember to add a sibling if they already attend your preferred school.

B Register and Login

- Go to www.eadmissions.org.uk
- You will be able to log in with your email and password from a previous application made within the last three years.
- If your account is older than three years or you have never used the eAdmissions system, you will need to follow the instructions given to create a new account.

C Child details and preferred schools

- If you have applied before please check and update your personal information, including address details if they have changed.
- Click the 'Start application' button.
- Enter your child's details and click 'Save and continue' after each section.
- Click 'Add School' to choose your preferred schools. Change the local authority if the school is outside Bexley. Click 'Add this school'.
- Add specific information about the school (e.g. brothers or sisters already attending) then click 'Continue' after each section and 'Add School' when you have finished adding additional information.
- Some schools will have a medical and/ or social criterion that you may like your child to be considered for, so you must tick the relevant box and attach supporting evidence. Required documentation should be uploaded once you have submitted your application. If you do not provide the evidence to support your application, your request cannot be considered under that criterion

- Repeat above steps to list more schools until you have listed all your preferences. Change the order of the schools by clicking the up or down arrows. Once all your preferred schools are listed click 'Confirm selection'. You will also need to click 'Continue' if you have listed fewer than six preferences.

D Final check and Submit

- Check your application carefully.
- To make changes click 'Back' at the top of the page.
- Read and agree the declarations by clicking in the boxes then click 'Submit Application'. If you do not click submit your application will not be accepted
- You will receive a confirmation email with your application reference number. (eg. 303-2025-09-E-123456) This is your proof that you have submitted your application successfully.

E Make changes and Attach documents

- You can make changes and attach supporting information up to the closing date by logging back into the system using your username or email address and your password.
- Each time you make a change you must re-submit your application otherwise the changes will not be registered.

F Further support and advice

- Help logging in/registering ...
- Phone 020 8255 5555 – Option 1 (admissions Support) Help completing the online form...
- Click on the Menu button in the top right corner of the page and choose 'Help' to view step by step instructions.
- Help with anything else... | Online www.Bexley.gov.uk/admissions or email schooladmissions@Bexley.gov.uk.

Late applications

If you miss the deadline to apply you should still submit your application on the eAdmissions website. Late applications will not be considered until after Offer Day unless exceptional reasons are accepted.

Download the app

The ParentComms app is an easy way to receive notifications from the eAdmissions website. Download the app from the Apple AppStore or Google Play and register your username and password to receive important reminders and your school offer directly on your smartphone or tablet.

Please remember to make your application by 31st October 2024 as a late application may mean you will not get a school you prefer.