

Sixth Form Admissions Timeline

Key periods	Detail
Fourth week of November	Ada Lovelace Sixth Form <b>Open Evening</b> for all applicants.
Last Day of Autumn Term	<b>Closing deadline</b> for submission of "Sixth Form Application, Entry September 2026" by students outside Ada Lovelace CofE High School (" <b>external applicants</b> ") (including applicants from Twyford Church of England Academies Trust schools: Twyford, Ealing Fields and William Perkin).
By end of Autumn term	External applicants who do not fall into Priority 1 or 2 of the second allocation of places, as referred to in the "Entrance Criteria for Ada Lovelace Sixth Form Academic Year 2026-27" ("Entrance Criteria Policy"), and who have applied by the December deadline will be invited to undertake relevant pre-admissions tests in early January for the purpose of determining the external applicants falling in Priority 3. Ada Lovelace CofE High School will ensure that all pre- admissions testing will provide fair and objective measures of aptitude.
	<u>Pre-Admissions Testing</u> All external applicants who do not fall into Priority 1 or 2 and who have applied by the December deadline will be required to sit an aptitude test related to the subject course.
	Conditional offers to external applicants in Priority 3
	A minimum of 15 conditional offers will be made on the outcome of these tests, based on the highest performance of the pre-admissions tests as follows:
	<ul> <li>A minimum of 5 conditional offers will be issued from the Laboratory Science pre-admissions test</li> <li>A minimum of 5 conditional offers will be issued from the Digital T- Level pre-admissions test</li> <li>A minimum of 5 conditional offers will be issued from the Accountancy T-Level pre-admissions test</li> </ul>
Second week in January	<b>Closing deadline</b> for students on roll during the previous academic year ("internal applicants") to indicate first preference of course choice.
	<b>External applicants who are from Priority 1 &amp; 2 from the second allocation of places</b> , as referred to in the Entrance Criteria Policy and <b>who have applied by the December deadline are made conditional offers</b> , which are subject to the applicant meeting the General Entry Requirements and the Individual Course Requirements for their chosen course.*
	Pre-admissions Testing takes place for external students who do not fall into Priority 1 or 2 of the second allocation of places and who have applied by the December deadline.
	*For the General Entry Requirements and Individual Course Requirements, please refer to the Entrance Criteria Policy and "Specific Minimum Entry Requirements for Sixth Form Courses (GSCE Grades or equivalent), Entry 2026".
End of Third week in January	External applicants who undertook Pre-Admissions Testing are informed of their scores for the pre-admissions testing and where this ranks them. Conditional offers, which are subject to the applicant meeting the General Entry Requirements and the Individual Course Requirements for their chosen courses, will be made to the top scoring students in each category of test.



These external applicants will fall into <b>Priority 3 on the second allocation of</b> <b>places</b> as referred to in the Entrance Criteria Policy. External applicants who fall into Priority 3 will be invited to an IAG meeting in February to discuss suitability of course choice and to hear more about Year 12 expectations.
<b>External applicants who are not made a conditional offer</b> will be invited to bring their GCSE results to the school on National GCSE Results Day and will be treated as <b>Priority 4 on the second allocation of places</b> as referred to in the Entrance Criteria Policy.
<b>IAG meetings</b> take place for external applicants in Priority 3 - this is a 15-minute discussion with a member of the Sixth Form Senior Team to review the course choices. The "Ada Lovelace Sixth Form Academic Statement" form will need to be completed by the student's current school in advance of the meeting to help gauge the probability that the candidate will achieve the required grades for entry to their advanced courses of choice.* It is also an opportunity for the school to explain the Wider Learning opportunities in the Sixth Form and to ensure that the student is in sympathy with the aims and objectives of a Church of England School. *Predicted grades provided in the "Ada Lovelace Sixth Form Academic Statement" form will not be used to inform decisions on admission
All external applicants holding conditional offers (i.e. Priority 1, 2 and 3 from the second allocation of places) are invited to an <b>Information Evening</b> in March to hear more about the Sixth Form experience. This allows students to carefully consider whether they wish to continue to hold their offer.
There is an <b>Induction morning</b> for all internal applicants and external applicants holding conditional offers. Students experience taster lessons and are given preparation tasks to complete over the summer so that they are ready for September should their offer become firm.
<ul> <li>Enrolment takes place on National GCSE Results Day. Internal applicants and external applicants holding conditional offers provide evidence of their GCSE outcomes and, where they meet the General Entry Requirements and Individual Course Requirements, are allocated to chosen courses.</li> <li>In the event that applications exceed the number of places on a particular course, priority will be given to students in accordance with the Entrance Criteria Policy.</li> <li>Applicants who wish to change course on National GCSE Results Day will be able to do so provided there is space on the course they wish to change to. Places will be allocated in accordance with the Entrance Criteria.</li> <li>Applicants who are not offered a place will be provided with reasons for that decision and information of their right to appeal, including the process and timeframes for hearing such appeals.</li> </ul>



## **Admission Arrangements**

Please refer to the following documents for the Admission Arrangements for entry into the Sixth Form at Ada Lovelace CofE High School:

- 1) Entrance Criteria for Ada Lovelace Sixth Form Academic Year 2026-27;
- 2) Sixth Form Admissions Timeline (this document);
- 3) Specific Minimum Entry Requirements for Sixth Form Courses (GCSE Grades), Entry 2026;
- 4) Ada Lovelace Sixth Form Academic Statement; and
- 5) Sixth Form Application, Entry September 2026