

Co-ordinated Admissions Timetable SECONDARY Schools
September 2026 Admission

Week commencing Monday 1 September 2025	Letter sent to Primary Schools
Friday 5 September 2025	Letters handed out to parents
Friday 5 September 2025	Online system available up until closing date
Monday 8 September - Friday 3 October 2025	Open Evenings with prospective year 7 pupils
4.30pm on Friday 31 October 2025 (National Closing Date)	Closing date for Secondary applications. Online applications are not available after the closing date.
Friday 14 November 2025	Details of preference data to be sent to VA and Academy Secondary Schools
Friday 14 November 2025	Exchange preference data with other LAs
Friday 28 November 2025	Details received from other LAs to be sent to VA and Academy Secondary Schools
Monday 5 January 2026	VA and Academy schools provide the Authority with list of offers/refusals
Wednesday 14 January 2026	Authority exchanges offers/refusals with other LAs
Friday 23 January 2026	LA to match the provisional offers of places against each parent's ranking
By Friday 20 February 2026	Schools will be notified which pupils have been allocated places at their schools
Monday 2 March 2026 (National Offer Day 1 March 2026)	Secondary 'Offer Day' notification sent to parents
Wednesday 11 March 2026	Initial deadline for parents to return acceptance slip for oversubscribed schools only (reminder letters to be sent)
Wednesday 11 March 2026	Deadline for parents to request to place their child's name on a waiting list
Wednesday 11 March 2026	Deadline for parents to request an appeal form for Secondary Schools
Monday 16 March 2026	Authority will allocate any places that have become available for oversubscribed schools
Tuesday 17 March 2026	Appeal forms sent out where requested
Friday 31 March 2026	Where parents have not returned their acceptance slip for oversubscribed schools the Authority may withdraw the offer of the school place (Community Schools only)
Friday 24 April 2026	Deadline for appeal forms to be returned
By Monday 11 May 2026	Appeal hearing notice sent to parents
From week commencing 1 June 2026	Appeals to be heard
31 December 2026	No waiting list available after this date