

Application for Secondary School for Sept 2020 Information Meeting



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Now:

- **Look at schools**
- https://www.kent.gov.uk/data/assets/pdf_file/0020/17930/Secondary-admissions-booklet-all-areas.pdf
- **Open evenings / days**
- **Websites**
- **Talk to Secondary staff**
- **Find out about admissions criteria**
- **Visits during the school day are authorised absences**

Admissions Criteria:

- **Used to rank applicants**
- **Distance**
- **Siblings**
- **Unique criteria (church affiliation**

Registration:

- **Online**
- <https://kent.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/ParentPortal/default.aspx>
- **Open now**
- **Closes 31st October**

Naming Schools:

- 4 choices + option to add reasons for choice (e.g. sibling)
- PLEASE NAME FOUR SCHOOLS
- Only name 2 or 3 and you don't rank highly enough for an offer of a place, the Local Authority will allocate you a school without additional choices on your list
- Keep control of your choice of school

Naming Schools:

- **Be informed about the likelihood of you being offered a place**
- **DISTANCE**
- **ADDITIONAL ADMISSIONS CRITERIA**
- **Additional evidence required – forms collected from the schools**

National Offer Day

- **Monday 2nd March**
- **Email sent after 4pm**
- **Log on from 5pm**
- **Offer letter sent by post first class**
- **Name given of the school you have been offered the place at**

National Offer Day

- **Happy? Accept the place, the school will then be in contact in the following few weeks**
- **Unhappy? Posted information contains waiting list paper work (also online)**
- **Waiting lists are for schools on your original list**

Waiting Lists

- Unhappy with the school offered?
- **ACCEPT THE PLACE BY 16th March**
- Your child **MUST** hold a place in the school system
- **Complete waiting list requests by 16th March**

Waiting Lists

- Up until 22nd April, the Local Authority will contact you if you are successful in gaining a place through a waiting list request
- After this date, the schools handle their own waiting lists
- If you receive a new offer, let the original school know

Waiting Lists

- **Swings and Roundabouts – reallocation of places through appeals and waiting lists**
- **Can take until July for waiting lists**
- **May be unsuccessful**
- **Accept the original school offered**

Kent Test and Grammar

- Only applies if your child took the Kent Test.
- 17th October – Kent Test results
- Indicates G for grammar, H for high school.
- With a G – name grammar schools on your application form
- Submit, grammar place offered 2nd March
- You can submit waiting list request if you want another grammar to the one offered

Kent Test Parent Appeals

- H decision and intention to appeal
- Name grammar school as 1st choice and 3 high schools
- You'll be allocated a place at a high school
- **ACCEPT THE PLACE – YOUR CHILD MUST HAVE A SCHOOL PLACE FOR SEPTEMBER**
- Naming a grammar at No.1 registers your belief that a grammar school is the most appropriate setting for your child
- (risk that it can seem you've decided to appeal because you got a high school you didn't want)

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Kent Test Parent Appeals

- **Submit the secondary application form online as usual by 31st October**
- **On National Offer day, the grammar appeal paperwork will be sent by post**
- **Complete and submit by 27th March**
- **Appeals held May/June**
- **Parents attend the panel to outline why grammar is the most suitable setting**
- **School helps with supporting evidence**

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Overview

- Look at and find out about schools
- Online registration
- Name 4 schools
- Application deadline 31st October
- National offer day 2nd March
- Accept places + waiting list requests 16th March
- Grammar appeals 27th March
- Please accept the place you are offered on 2nd March

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