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Guide for Parents

Applying for a school place
for September 2027





Introduction

Dear Parent/Carer,

Every year the Local Authority co-ordinates admissions to school places in the City of York. The Local Authority is the admissions authority for maintained schools in York and works closely with the city's voluntary aided schools and academies to ensure that the admissions process is co-ordinated across the city. This guide has been put together to explain how we can help you through the school admissions process and to let you know what we do when you apply for a school place for your child and what we ask you to do.

Deciding on which schools you want to apply to for your child is one of the most important decisions that you will make as a parent/carers. This guide contains some information about our schools and our services. We recommend that you find out as much as possible about your preferred school, by visiting on school open evenings or making an appointment at a school prior to making an application. Schools will be designing engagement opportunities for prospective parents and will be publishing details of their offer on their websites and in the local press.

In York we are working hard to ensure the availability of places meets local need. However, we can not guarantee a place simply by living in the catchment area or already having a sibling in the school. Although we do prioritise applications from children living in the catchment area and those with siblings already at a school, inevitably there are times when parental preferences are higher than the number of places available at some schools. This means that it is important to identify your preference for more than one school in your application.

Please take the time to read this guide carefully and in particular, take note of the key information and the oversubscription criteria for the schools that you are interested in. It contains details of admissions policies and procedures and the rules that admissions authorities must follow. These rules apply to both the Local Authority, voluntary aided schools and academies. Reading this guide before making an application may prevent misunderstanding later. If after considering the information available here you need more information, please contact the School Admissions team who will be happy to assist you further. I hope you find the information in this guide useful.



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Key information



Key information

This guide has been put together to explain how we can help you through the school admissions process and lets you know what we do when you apply for a school place for your child and what we ask you to do. This first section contains some key information that we recommend all applicants consider prior to making an application. Reading and understanding the basics in this section will often avoid disappointment later.

If you would like more information on anything raised here please contact us prior to making an application - we are happy to help. Most of the information below is relevant to all applications, whether starting primary or infant school for the first time, transferring to junior or secondary school, or making an in-year application to change school, for example when moving into or across the York area.

If the information below is specific to a certain type of application, it will be clearly marked below. You can only submit an application for a school place if you have parental responsibility. If you share parental responsibility, you must be in agreement with others that also have parental responsibility about the preferences and information submitted. Please ensure all parents have discussed and agreed preferences before one parent makes the application. If we receive conflicting instructions for the same child we will not process the application any further at that point until we are provided with further evidence as to which parent's wishes should be accepted, for example a family court order.

We are unable to take into account any informal living arrangements. Informal living arrangements may be referred to the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub before a school place is allocated. Applications can only be made by someone with parental responsibility for the child and where all parties with parental responsibility are in agreement with the application and preferences. If a school has been allocated as incorrect information has been received, the school place may be withdrawn and the application for your child will be rejected until the correct application information is received and confirmed. You should only submit an application if you are sure that you want your child to move school, as once a new school is allocated, we cannot guarantee that a place will still be available at your original school if you change your mind.

Your preferences

When you apply you can express up to five preferences, and rank them in the order you prefer. We strongly recommend that you use all five preferences and that you name your catchment school as one of these preferences. Should you not express a preference for your catchment school, a place will not be held there in reserve for your child. It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to identify the catchment school of your child. How to find your catchment school is explained in section G.

We operate an equal preference system, which means that if you submit preferences for five schools, we consider each of these preferences separately on its own merits according to the oversubscription criteria for that school. When we come to allocate places, if we could allocate you more than one of your preferences, the school allocated will be the school that you ranked highest. Any lower preferences we could have offered will be released and offered to other applicants.

Please note: we will not come back to you to ask for further preferences, or to check the order of your preferences after you have submitted them for a round application. For example, if School A has 30 places and 55 preferences (first, second, third, fourth and fifth), all preferences for School A will be ordered on a list from 1 to 55 according to School A's oversubscription criteria.

First, those in positions 1-30 on this list are allocated places and those from 31-55 placed on a waiting list. This process is then repeated for Schools B, C and D. Some of those previously allocated School A have now been allocated places at School B as they named School B as a higher preference. Some of those on the waiting list for School A have been allocated Schools C and D and so are removed from the waiting list.

School A now only has 23 places allocated, with 7 spaces. The waiting list has also fallen from 25 to just 11. Those in positions 1-7 on this new shorter waiting list are allocated School A with those in positions 8-11 placed on a new waiting list for School A. Once this process has been repeated several times for all schools, allocations have been finalised. It is then that we confirm allocations in writing to applicants, on National Offer Day. For in-year applications the process is similar although the numbers of places available is vastly reduced.

If following this process we are unable to offer your child a place at any of your preferred schools, your child will be allocated a school that was not of your preference. This will usually be a place at the nearest alternative school with places available, though if this school in turn becomes full through allocating children in a similar position, the final school allocated may be some distance from your home address. It may not be your catchment school. For example, if you submitted a first and only preference for School E, but you live in the catchment area of School F, you may not be allocated a place at either school if there are more applications than places available at both schools. You could be allocated School G which is some distance from your address.

We advise that you consider your preferences very carefully and rank all considered schools in your preferred order. Failure to name sufficient preferences in the hope of being allocated your first and only preference often leads to disappointment.

Change of preference

If you decide after submitting your application that you would like to change the order of your preferences please put these in writing, from the person who applied, preferably by email. If we can we will take these into account before allocations are made. For preferences for schools that are voluntary aided, academies, or outside the York area, we may not be able to accept changes after the closing date for applications.

We cannot accept any changes for a primary or junior application after the last working day in February or a secondary application after 31 January. Any changes requested between the closing date and these dates will be at the discretion of the Admissions Team and dependent on the admission allocation stage reached.

Any changes received after we are able to process changes will be put aside and actioned after National Offer Day.

Catchment areas

Each address in the City of York is located in the catchment area of one York primary school. Most addresses in York are in the catchment area of one secondary school.

The exceptions to this:

- The villages of Bishopthorpe and Acaster Malbis are in the catchment area of Fulford School, Millthorpe School, and Tadcaster Grammar School (North Yorkshire Council school).
- The village of Copmanthorpe is in the catchment area of Millthorpe School and Tadcaster Grammar School (North Yorkshire Council school).

Carr Infant School and Carr Junior School share the same catchment area, as do Bishopthorpe Infant School and Archbishop of York's CE Junior School. Some schools such as church schools, including All Saints RC School and Manor CE Academy do not have catchment areas. It is the responsibility of the parent/carers to identify your catchment school.

When you express a preference for a school that is not your catchment school, your preference is considered under a lower priority than those who live in the catchment area (see Section C of this guide for more information on how preferences are prioritised).

We strongly recommend that you consider your catchment school and use one of your preferences for this school, even if it is your final preference. This is because if you are unsuccessful in being allocated all the schools you express a preference for your child will be allocated a school that was not one of your preferences. We will then allocate a place at the nearest alternative school with places available which may not be at your catchment school.

A place is not reserved at your catchment school for your child if you do not include your catchment school in your preferences, your child may be allocated a school a considerable distance from your home.

Siblings

We define siblings as brothers or sisters living in the same house as their primary place of residence. This includes half-, step- and foster- brothers or sisters at the same address, but does not include full-, half-, step- and foster- brothers or sisters living at different addresses as their primary place of residence.

A **sibling link** is where your preference is considered under a higher priority for a school place than applicants who do not have a sibling who will be on roll at your preferred school at the time of admission. For most schools, siblings are considered after children who are resident in a school's catchment area and so will not always be successful in obtaining a place (see Section C of this guide for more information on how applications are prioritised).

Having children of similar ages at two different schools can be difficult. Some parents/carers find that they are successful in obtaining a place for their eldest child but are unsuccessful for their younger children in future years. If you obtain a place for one of your children at a school, this does not mean that places can be guaranteed for their siblings either currently or at a later date. Exceptions, particularly infant class size exceptions cannot be made to admit siblings into a school if classes are full.

Please note: the 'sibling' criterion in the admissions policy for infant and junior schools does not apply to siblings who attend other nearby infant or junior schools, only to siblings at the same school at the time of admission.

Distance from home to school

We measure distances from home to school on a GIS layer of all known **safe walking routes** within the York area. We measure these distances in miles to three decimal places from where your address joins this network to the closest school gate. We take the shortest of all available safe walking routes and use this distance in ordering preferences where required. We don't use roads without pavements or paths, routes through private property, and we don't use the ring road or other major routes where traffic can be at high speeds.

We can investigate and add in new routes where we are informed of routes that are adequately lit and paved. Please note any change arising from new information in this respect will not be instantaneous changes as they must be visited, checked and then incorporated into the GIS layer. Where a safe-walking route does not exist, we may measure along main roads including using maps from third-party mapping companies or where the distance measured is beyond our boundaries.

Your home address

You may only use one address when making an application. This must be the address at which the parent/carer and child are ordinarily resident. We may check addresses against other records held by the City of York Council, in accordance with the authority's Data Protection Registration and request exit and entry proof of any address.

Addresses must be **permanent** addresses and be the same address when the child starts school. Addresses must not be those of relatives or temporary addresses such as staying with family or holiday accommodation. Where there is **joint residence**, the address used should be the address at which the child is resident for the majority of the school week. If this is evenly split, then parents/carers must jointly select one address and note only this address on the application, which will apply to all preferences. This address cannot then be changed later after an application has been submitted.

We are determined to prevent fraudulent applications for school places and will investigate any reported misuse of addresses by accessing our own records first, and if a false claim is suspected or cannot be ruled out at this stage, we will pass all relevant information to our assurance partner Veritau to investigate further. Veritau have access to all application details as well as any other records that may help them establish and verify the details that have been provided. They may undertake unannounced visits to addresses they believe may be connected to their investigation. A Veritau investigation can take place at any time while your child is attending school.

Following an investigation Veritau may make a recommendation to the Local Authority as to whether the information was false or misleading, and the Local Authority or other admission authority then makes a decision as to whether to withdraw the offer of a school place. Where an offer of a school place has been made on the basis of fraudulent or intentionally misleading information which has effectively denied a place to a pupil with a stronger claim, the offer of a place will be withdrawn. **We retain the right to withdraw a school place at any time if an application is found to be fraudulent or intentionally misleading.**

Change of address

If you change where you live, after submitting your application, please send us the relevant proof of this change (see below). We try to take all changes of address into account throughout the application period, so if your address changes, you should let us know. If we can, we will take this new address into account before allocations are made. For preferences for schools that are voluntary aided, academies, or outside the York area, we may not be able to accept any address change after the closing date for applications.

We cannot accept any change for a primary or junior application after the last working day in February or a secondary application after 31 January.

Any changes requested between the closing date and these dates will be at the discretion of the Admissions Team and dependent on the admission allocation stage reached. Any changes received after we are able to process changes will be put aside and actioned after National Offer Day.

Proof of residence

Where you use an address in an application, we may request further proof from you that your child is ordinarily resident at the stated address. We will request to see both entry and exit proof when we query your address.

- **Entry proof** will include, signed tenancies, posting orders, proof of exchange, and documents showing you have registered your property for the purposes of taxes, the electoral roll and with other relevant government agencies – for example your driving licence.
- **Exit proofs** include any relevant documentation pertaining to the disposal of your previous address and include, for example, signed tenancies and proof of exchange. Additional information may be requested at any time.

We also require satisfactory details of the ownership, tenancy and disposal of any previous addresses. If we require any proof of residence at the property, we will contact you to request it before we can continue with your application.

- **If you are already resident at an address**, please provide some suitable proof such as a copy of the current financial year's council tax statement. When you apply online you may be asked to enter your Council Tax Reference for this purpose.
- **If you are moving to a new address and renting**, a full copy of your new tenancy agreement, signed by yourself and either the owner or rental agent may be required. We cannot use short term temporary accommodation as an application address such as Air BnB or staying with family and friends.
- **If you are moving to a new address and purchasing a property**, please provide a letter or email direct from your solicitor. This must be on exchange of contracts and include the date of completion and you must be living at the address. We will not accept the address of a development plot or uncompleted property.

- **If you are a member of the armed forces**, and are subject to a posting or marching out order, please provide a copy of this order or official confirmation of your posting. Places can only be allocated once proof of residence has been provided in line with the admission arrangements.
- **Where you own a property, but are renting or proposing to rent another property**, we will require evidence regarding your intent including a full copy of your new tenancy agreement, signed by yourself and owner or rental agent. If we suspect that a second address is being used to gain a place at a particular school, the second address may not be considered when allocating school places. We will use the address which is considered to be the family home where the family ordinarily live. We cannot use short term temporary accommodation as an application address such as Air BnB or staying with family and friends.
- **If you own a property where you are currently not living and own a second property**, and we suspect that a second address is being used to gain a place at a particular school, the second address may not be considered when allocating school places. We will use the address which is considered to be the family home where the family ordinarily live.
- **If you vacate a rented property or second property address** within a short period of time, which you have used to obtain a school place, the school place may be withdrawn.
- **We will instruct Veritau to conduct an investigation into your residence if suitable proof cannot be provided or we suspect that misleading information is being provided to gain a school place and if there are doubts regarding the address where a child/family reside.**
- **We retain the right to withdraw a school place at any time if an application is found to be fraudulent or intentionally misleading.**

Veritau have conducted investigations into a number of school applications. This has resulted in the withdrawal of school places and parent/carers changes to a number of applications.



Currently and previously looked after children

If your child is 'Looked After', that is in the care of a Local Authority, was previously Looked After, or has been adopted from care including children who were previously looked after outside England, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order, your child may have a different priority in the **oversubscription criteria** for your preferred school. You will need to provide us with written proof of their status at the time of applying. See Section D for more information.

Exceptional social and medical reasons

If you believe your child has an exceptional social or medical need that should be taken into account for one school, your child may have a different priority in the oversubscription criteria for your preferred school. You will need to provide us with written details at the time of applying. **See Section D for more information.**

Please be aware that a medical diagnosis does not guarantee exceptional social/medical criteria for your application. Additional information **must** be provided with your application.

Children with Special Educational Needs

Where children have an **Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)**, there is a different admission process. Decisions on places for these pupils will be discussed in Year 5 and 6. See Section F for more information. If your child is awarded an EHCP after you have made a mainstream application, we will pass your application details to the SEN Team to allocate a school place through the SEN allocation process. Children who do not have an EHCP but may be on the SEN Register or with some additional needs, may wish to seek advice from the **SENDCO** at their child's current school, but should apply by the stated deadlines as for other applicants. Please note it is highly unlikely that these factors can be taken into account unless an EHCP is held by your child.

For entry into primary
school in September 2026,

94.3%

of applicants were allocated
their first preference

For entry into secondary
school in September 2026,

94%

of applicants were allocated
their first preference



Applying for a place

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Applying for a place

We coordinate all ordinary applications for a school place and liaise with your preferred schools on your behalf. You can apply for a school place at york.gov.uk/admissions or if you don't have access to the internet, you can request and complete a paper form.

This section is split into the following areas for different types of application you can make:

- **Starting Primary**
- **Starting Junior**
- **Starting Secondary**
- **Applying for an 'In-Year' School Place**
- **University Technical Colleges**
- **Starting Year 12**

Starting Primary School

Our policy states that infants will start full time education in the school year they turn five. For entry in the September 2027 school year, children will have been born between **01 September 2022 and 31 August 2023**.

Unless it is specifically included in a school's oversubscription criteria, attending a nursery or early years provider does not form any part of the decision-making when allocating places at infant or primary schools, even if the nursery or provider is on the same site or within the school.

How to apply

You can apply online at york.gov.uk/admissions from **12 September 2026**.

With an online application you will receive an email confirming submission of your application. Please remember to submit your application by the closing date.

If you are applying for a place at a Voluntary Aided or Academy school, these schools may require you to complete a **Supplementary Information Form** (see next page).

If you can't apply online you can request a paper **Primary Application Form** by calling **01904 551554**.

You need to ensure that you have applied, either online (and submitted your application), or by returning a Primary Application Form by the deadline of **15 January 2027**.

Supplementary Information Forms (SIFs)

You will need to complete a Supplementary Information Form for the following schools if you are applying for a place based upon your child's religion or belief, or to provide any specific information listed in their oversubscription criteria that may apply to your child.

- **Heworth CE Primary School**
- **Our Lady Queen of Martyrs RC Primary School**
- **St Aelred's RC Primary School**
- **St George's RC Primary School**
- **St Wilfrid's RC Primary School**

The additional information requested on these forms is required in order for these schools to apply their own oversubscription criteria. Details of these criteria are available in Section C of this guide.

I have already completed a form at the school; do I need to apply to you?

Yes. Although you may have already completed a form at an individual school, these are only registrations of interest and will not be treated as a valid application. You may have also provided information on a Supplementary Information Form to a Voluntary Aided or Academy school. If this is the case, you will still need to apply to your **home local authority** either online or by completing a paper application form.

Only written confirmations or letters sent by your home local authority constitute the allocation of a school place. Your home local authority is the local authority to whom you pay council tax. Locally this could be either City of York Council, North Yorkshire Council (including district councils such as Selby, Ryedale and Hambleton), or the East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

We will start to process all applications from **16 January 2027** so if you do not apply by this date your application may be dealt with after all the other applications that were received on or before the application deadline. This means you will stand less chance of getting your preferred school, particularly if this is a voluntary aided or academy school, or a school outside the York area.

We strongly recommend that you express all five preferences and apply on time. We also recommend that one of your preferences is for your catchment school. Details of catchment areas are contained in Section G of this guide. In past years, parents/carers that have failed to express a preference for their child's catchment school have been allocated another school that was not of their preference and significantly further from their home address.

When is National Offer Day?

National Offer Day is **16 April or the next working day**. Those applicants that applied online can check their allocation online on the morning of National Offer Day. You will need your username and password to log on. You will also receive an allocation email or letter on National Offer Day.

Key Dates for the 'Primary Round'

- **15 January 2027** - Deadline for applications
- **16 April 2027 or next working day** - National Offer Day
- **17 May 2027** - Appeal forms to be returned
- **June - July 2027** - Admission appeals heard

Starting Junior School

If your child attends an infant school you will need to apply for a place in a school from Year 3 - Year 6.

- **Junior School** - If you would like to apply for a place at a junior school from Year 3 you should do so by **15 January** when your child is in Year 2.
- **Primary School** - alternatively if you would like to apply for a primary school for your child from Year 3 to Year 6, you can make an in-year application for a primary school but this will only be processed from June at the end of Year 2.

How do I apply?

You can apply online at york.gov.uk/admissions from **12 September 2026**.

With an online application you will receive an email confirming submission of your application. Please remember to submit your application by the closing date.

If you have difficulty applying online, you can contact us on **01904 551554** and we can talk you through how to apply. If you can't apply online you can request a paper Junior Application Form by calling **01904 551554**. Forms are also distributed to infant and junior schools in the York area.

You need to ensure that you have applied, either online (and submitted your application), or by returning a Junior Application Form by the deadline of **15 January 2027**.

What happens if I don't apply on time?

We will start to process all applications on **15 January 2027** so if you do not apply by this date your application may be dealt with after all the other applications that were received on or before the application deadline. This means you will stand less chance of getting your preferred school and may be allocated one some distance from your address.

When is National Offer Day?

National Offer Day is **16 April 2026 or the next working day**. Those applicants that applied online can check their allocation online on the morning of National Offer Day. You will need your username and password to log on. You will also receive an allocation letter or email on National Offer Day.

Key Dates for the 'Junior Round'

- **15 January 2027** - Deadline for applications
- **16 April 2027 or next working day** - National Offer Day
- **17 May 2027** - Appeal forms to be returned
- **June - July 2027** - Admission appeals heard

Starting Secondary School

Children transfer to secondary school at the beginning of Year 7, and applications must be made in September/October of Year 6.

Open Evenings / Events

There are a range of activities held each autumn for prospective parents/carers to gain additional information for individual schools. Each school has an allocated date for open events and activities. To find out open evening dates please check school websites.

Transition from Primary to Secondary

The transition between primary and secondary school can be difficult for some pupils. If you have any concerns about your child's transition, please contact your child's current headteacher who will liaise with your allocated secondary school to arrange the appropriate support. After places have been allocated, primary schools provide your child's future secondary school with information relevant to their progress and any additional educational or pastoral needs they may have.

How do I apply?

You can apply online at york.gov.uk/admissions from **12 September 2026**.

With an online application you will receive an email confirming submission of your application. Please remember to submit your application by the closing date.

If you have difficulty applying online, you can contact us on **01904 551 554** and we can talk you through how to apply. If you can't apply online you can request a paper **Secondary Application Form**.

You need to ensure that you have applied, either online (and submitted your application), or by returning a Secondary Application Form by the deadline of **31 October 2026**.

Supplementary Information Forms (SIFs)

You will need to complete a Supplementary Information Form for the following schools if you are applying for a **foundation** place – that is one based upon your child's religion or belief.

- **All Saints RC School**
- **Archbishop Holgate's CE School**
- **Manor CE Academy**

The additional information requested on these forms is required in order for these schools to apply their own oversubscription criteria. Details of these criteria are available in Section C of this guide.

Can I Apply Directly to a School?

No. Although voluntary aided and academy schools may set their own oversubscription criteria, their admissions are still locally coordinated and so you still need to apply to your home Local Authority. You may have also provided information on a **Supplementary Information Form**. Only written confirmation or letters sent by your home Local Authority constitute the offer of a place.

We will start to process all applications from **1 November 2026** so if you do not apply by this date your application may be dealt with after all the other applications that were received on or before the application deadline. This means you will stand less chance of getting your preferred school, particularly if this is a voluntary aided or academy school, or a school outside the York area. We strongly recommend that you express all five preferences and apply on time.

We also recommend that one of your preferences is for your catchment school. Details of catchment areas are contained in Section G of this guide. In past years, for a small number of applications, parents/carers that have failed to express a preference for their child's catchment school have been allocated another school that was in some cases, both not of their preference and significantly further from their home address.

When is National Offer Day?

National Offer Day is **01 March 2027 or the next working day**. Those applicants that applied online can check their allocation online on the morning of National Offer Day. You will need your username and password to log on. You will also receive an allocation letter or email on National Offer Day.

Key Dates in the 'Secondary Round'

- **31 October 2026** - Deadline for applications
- **01 March 2027 or the next working day** - National Offer Day
- **12 April 2027** - Appeal forms to be returned
- **April - June 2027** - Admission appeals heard

Applying for an ‘In-Year’ School Place

If you are moving into or across the York area, or you are simply requesting a change of school, we call this type of school admission – an **in-year transfer**.

We are unable to hold places open for any in-year applications. Schools often fill up to their published admission number when places are first allocated.

If your child is moving school due to your relocation you may not be able to predict the date you will require a new school place in advance due to securing a new address. However, if you are requesting a change of school within York, it is best to request a change of school with an intended start date at the beginning of a new term or half term.

Requests for a change of school in Year 10, Year 11 or in the second half of Year 6 can be incredibly disruptive to your child’s education. We would recommend that if at all possible you would not request a change of school at these times, as it may significantly affect your child’s education at a time of study and preparation for end of key stage exams or tests.

We coordinate requests for in-year admissions, however if your request is for a school for which we are not the **admission authority** – that is for a voluntary aided or academy school, then the decision made will be by that school itself and may therefore take longer than if your request is for a community or voluntary controlled school.

You should only submit an application if you are certain that you want your child to move school, as once a new school is allocated, we cannot guarantee that a place will still be available at your original school if you change your mind.

How do I Apply?

You can apply online at york.gov.uk/admissions. With an online application you will receive an email confirming submission of your application. Please remember to submit your application or we can’t process it! If your application is submitted too early or the application is not complete we will not accept the application and will return the application to you to be resubmitted accordingly. If you have difficulty applying online, you can contact us on **01904 551554** and we can talk you through how to apply. If you can’t apply online you can request a paper **Application for a School Place**. If you are requesting schools as you are moving away from York, you can apply to us or to the new Local Authority directly.

You can express a preference for up to five schools in your application. We recommend that you include five local schools as your higher preference schools may not have available places. Moving to an area does not mean there will automatically be a school place for your child at the closest, catchment or your most preferred school. If a school is full, no places will be allocated and a reasonable alternative may be offered.

When should I Apply?

We are unable to hold or allocate places in advance, but you should apply for a school place **20 school days before** the school place is required. If the application is submitted more than 20 school days before the place is required then we will not accept the application and will return the application to you to be resubmitted accordingly. Any in-year request received may be processed if the required start date at a new school is within 20 school days. We cannot guarantee a school place will be allocated before the date you require the school place although we endeavor to allocate a school place as soon as possible to prevent a child being out of school.

Please note: if you apply in advance we will be unable to accept the application. We will start to process your application from the day your application is accepted, if it is within 20 school days of the school place being required and fully completed, and you will be advised of the decision of your application within 15 school days. The only exceptions to the 20 school day rule are service families where we can allocate places upon receipt of a posting order, or in the case of service family rebasement, a marching out order, within 30 school days. We aim to deal with all applications as quickly as possible, but please note that constraints such as school holidays, and requiring information from schools can significantly delay applications.

Considering your Application

The Local Authority or governing body, as the **admission authority** for your preferred school(s), will consider your request in accordance with their set admissions policy. When considering your application, we will have looked for a place for your child at each of your preference schools in turn. If we cannot allocate a place at your first preference school, we will then investigate the availability of places at your second preference school, and so on.

If there is at least one available place, and there are several applications for the same school place, then applications will be ordered by the **oversubscription criteria** for the school. Different oversubscription criteria will apply for different schools if these schools are academy or voluntary aided schools. All of the oversubscription criteria for York schools are contained in Section C of this guide.

Where an in-year application is received we may not be able to offer a school place in a preference school as the year group may already be full. You should include five preferences including your catchment school in your application.

If you are moving area, you should also advise whether you wish to remain at the current school until a place becomes available at a preference school and is allocated from the waiting list or if you would like us to allocate the closest school with a place available.

In the event that we cannot allocate a place at any of your preferred schools, we may offer you a place at an alternative school. This is often the closest school to your address with available places. Should you wish to express preferences for schools that you did not originally apply for, you may do so by putting this in writing to us. However, please be aware that any additional or preference change decisions will be within 15 school days of the change and not original application submission.

Refusals

In some cases we may not be able to offer a place at your preferred school(s), as the school(s) may be full in that class and/or year group, and therefore there are no places available for an additional child, or the admission of another child may mean that the class sizes are too large in future years. For children in the first three years of primary school, infant class size legislation may also prevent us offering a place at your preferred school(s).

Any refusal will be because the view of the admission authority is that the admission of any further pupils to the school would prejudice the provision of efficient education and use of resources; that it would not be in the educational interests of your child, or the children already on roll, to be in such a large class. We hold waiting lists where preferences have been unsuccessful should a place come up within that school year. You can always appeal against a decision to refuse your child a school place*.

Key Information for In-Year Applicants

We particularly recommend that you read the information in Section A of this guide prior to making an application. However, the main points you must consider now are detailed below:

- **Catchment Areas** – residence in the catchment area of any school does not guarantee the allocation of a school place at that school – see Section G of this guide.
- **Full year group and/or classes** – unless in very limited circumstances – all applicants will be refused.
- **Siblings** – if you have more than one child of school age, it may be more difficult to gain places for both/all children at the same school, particularly if a class or year group is oversubscribed.

Suspensions and Exclusions

When you apply for an in-year school place, we may check your child's suspensions and exclusions with their previous school(s). This is in line with our **Fair Access Protocol**.

With our schools we have developed a Fair Access Protocol which aims to ensure that all pupils are allocated a school or alternative full-time education within **20 school days** of an application decision, where the application is referred to the Fair Access Meeting because the application meets the protocol thresholds. Once an application decision is referred to the Fair Access Meeting you should receive a final application decision within **20 school days**.

*If your school application is refused and referred to the Fair Access Meeting, your application may not be placed on waiting lists but you will have the right to appeal. In consultation with other admission authorities within York, which include Voluntary Aided and Academy schools, we will attempt to meet one of the parent/carer's preferences. Behavioural history (for example any exclusions) and other issues may be considered in allocating your child an appropriate school. If you have any further queries on in-year admissions or the Fair Access Protocol, please contact us.

University Technical Colleges

- **University Technical College (UTC)** - Children who are due to start Year 10 in September 2026 may also apply for a place at a University Technical College (UTC). UTCs are schools for 14–19 year olds that are set up by universities and businesses and specialise in one or two technical subjects. At GCSE they offer a similar curriculum to a typical 11-18 secondary school, including the basics of English and Maths, as well as their specialist subject.
- **Studio Schools** - are similar to UTCs in that they have employer involvement in the curriculum and focus on developing the skills needed for employment, involving personal coaching and work experience, alongside a similar curriculum to a typical 11-18 secondary school.

There are no UTCs in York, but students in Year 9 this school year may apply for a place at a UTC in a neighbouring area. If you wish to do this, we recommend that your child discusses their options with a Careers Adviser in their current school or college, or contact us.

Please note this is only an option available and this does not mean that you are required to move your child from their existing school if this is still the best option for them.

UTCs in Yorkshire

- **Doncaster UTC** (Doncaster), College Road, Doncaster, DN1 3BF
doncasterutc.co.uk
- **Leeds UTC**, 2 Sayner Rd, Leeds LS10 1LA
utcleeds.co.uk
- **Ron Dearing UTC**, C4DI @ The Dock, 31-38 Queen Street, Hull HU1 1UU
rondearingutc.com
- **Scarborough UTC**, 1 Ashburn Rd, Scarborough YO11 2JW
scarboroughutc.org.uk
- **Sheffield City Centre UTC**, 111 Matilda Street, Sheffield, S1 4QF
utcsheffield.org.uk
- **Sheffield Olympic Legacy Park UTC**, 2 Old Hall Road, Sheffield, S9 3TU
utcsheffield.org.uk/olp/

Starting Year 12

The following schools and colleges in York provide education for students from Year 12:

- **All Saints RC School**
- **Archbishop Holgate's CE School**
- **Askham Bryan College**
- **Fulford School**
- **Huntington School**
- **Joseph Rowntree School**
- **York College**

There are also open **evenings / events** held where parents and students have the chance to attend and view schools and colleges directly. Contact the schools and colleges to find out when these events are held.

To apply for a place in Year 12 at one of these schools or colleges, you should contact the school or college and ask them how to apply. **We do not coordinate admissions into Year 12**, instead each school or college administer their own applications. Each school with a sixth form has an **admissions policy for external entry** into Year 12 with oversubscription criteria. Please contact the school directly for their Year 12 admission arrangements.

Please note: if you are already on roll at a school with a sixth form, you will not have to apply in the same way for an external Year 12 place, but still must meet the requirements for continuing into Year 12 and make an application in Year 11.

York College is accessed by a large number of pupils leaving school and provides both academic and vocational courses. For more information, please visit yorkcollege.ac.uk.

Askham Bryan College provides post-16 education, in a variety of subject areas. For more information, please visit askham-bryan.ac.uk.

Need a school place?

Apply at: york.gov.uk/admissions

Apply by:

- **Secondary** - 31 October 2026
- **Junior** - 15 January 2027
- **Primary** - 15 January 2027



Oversubscription criteria



Oversubscription Criteria

Each school or admission authority must have an **admissions policy** that details how applications for a place at that school should be made, how applications will be considered and how many places can be offered.

If there are more applications for places than places available, this policy must make clear who will be offered places and who will be refused.

To determine this, applications have to be ordered according to a published set of criteria – these are known as the **oversubscription criteria**.

This section of the guide will detail the oversubscription criteria for each school or type of school and explain how places are allocated, and what happens if there are more applications than places available.

The full policies are published each year and are available on our website at york.gov.uk/admissions or a copy of our policy prospectus upon request from the School Admissions team. You can also request a copy from voluntary aided and academy schools themselves.

We recommend that you consult these policies fully before applying for a school place.

The oversubscription criteria may not include other details that you should be aware of when making an application, such as deadlines or definitions of terms used in these policies. If you are in any doubt about something you see in a policy and are unsure, please contact us or the relevant school.

‘Standard’ criteria schools

Most schools in York use what we call **‘standard’ oversubscription criteria** – these schools include all community and voluntary controlled schools, and many schools that have now become academies, but were previously community or voluntary controlled schools. In becoming academies, these schools decided to continue to align their admissions processes to the standard oversubscription criteria.

The admission authority is the body who is responsible for the admissions policy and makes all decisions regarding admission into these schools. For community and voluntary controlled schools the admission authority is **City of York Council**. For academy schools it is the **trust board** of the Academy Trust.

You can see in the tables in Section E of this guide whether a school uses these ‘standard’ oversubscription criteria.

Any community or voluntary controlled school that is expected to convert to become an academy during this school year will also use 'standard' criteria for applications made in this school year.

'Non-standard' criteria schools

These schools have a different admissions policy which contains oversubscription criteria that may reflect the different faith or ethos of that school.

The admission authority is the body who is responsible for the admissions policy and makes all decisions regarding admission into these schools. For voluntary aided schools the admission authority is the **governing body of the school**. For academy schools it is the **trust board** of the Academy Trust.

You can see later in this section as well as in the tables in Section E of this guide whether a school uses **'non-standard' oversubscription criteria**.

Places at these schools are therefore allocated in a different way, according to their own oversubscription criteria. A Supplementary Information Form for schools may be required.

It is the parent/carers responsibility to check the admission arrangements for their preference schools in particular where additional information or a Supplementary Information Form may be required.

'Looked After' Children

Where an admissions policy refers to 'Looked After' this means the child in the care of a Local Authority, was previously Looked After, or has been adopted from care including children who were previously looked after outside England, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order; your child may have a different priority in the oversubscription criteria for your preferred school. You will need to provide us with written proof of their status after applying. See Section D for more information.

If you are applying on the basis of your child being currently or previously looked after, you should ensure that the appropriate proof is supplied to the admission authority after making your application. See Section D in this guide for further information.

'In-Year' Applications for a School Place

Oversubscription criteria are applied where there are more applications for school places than places available. For this reason, the following criteria may not be applicable to 'in-year' applications if there are no available spaces, or if a different admissions policy applies for 'in-year' applications.

Although most schools order preferences for all requests using the same criteria, the in-year admissions policy and procedures for schools where City of York Council is not the admission authority may be slightly different and can be viewed online.

‘Standard’ Oversubscription Criteria

The oversubscription criteria apply to preferences for:

- A school where the City of York Council is the admission authority – that is all community and voluntary controlled primary, infant, junior and secondary schools within the City of York area;
- Any **recently converted academies** who have yet to formulate and properly consult on their own admissions policy
- Any **academy choosing to maintain ‘standard’** oversubscription criteria

It applies for applications:

- Into **Reception** at primary and infant schools
- Into **Year 3** at junior schools
- Into **Year 7** at secondary schools.

It does not apply for:

- **In-year applications and changes of school** in other year groups. Although most schools order preferences for all requests using the same criteria, the in-year admissions policy and procedures for schools where City of York Council is not the admission authority may be slightly different and can be viewed online.

Where an in-year application is received we may not be able to offer a school place in a preference school as the year group may already be full. You should include five preferences including your catchment school in your application. If you are moving area, you should also advise whether you wish to remain at the current school until a place becomes available at a preference school and is allocated from the waiting list or if you would like us to allocate the closest school with a place available.

Any school's resources, such as teachers and classrooms, have to be used carefully to ensure the best possible standards for education and a safe environment. If no limit were set on the number of children that can go to a school each year these standards could not be maintained. These criteria are based on where a child lives and the preferences of parents/carers.

Feeder Schools

For children applying for schools who attend a feeder school nearby there is a separate criterion:

Pupils who attend Year 2 at the named feeder school for the preferred school at the time of the closing date for applications. The closing date for applications is 15 January, and each junior school has only one named feeder school. For Archbishop of York's CE Junior School the named feeder school is Bishopthorpe Infant School. For Carr Junior School the named feeder school is Carr Infant School.

Catchment Areas

Each address in York will be linked to a school that normally serves their local area. Applicants are advised to consider this school, also known as their catchment school when making an application. **It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to identify the catchment school of your child. Your closest school may not be your catchment school so it is important that you check.**

If the place your child is allocated is at a school which you are not in the catchment area for, or if you move out of the catchment area you now reside in, then you may have less chance of being successful when applying for any younger siblings, which could cause you difficulties in future years.

Details of all catchment areas are contained in Section G of this guide, or if you are unsure, please contact us before making an application.

How Oversubscription Criteria Work

Where there are more preferences than places available, each applicant has to be assigned a place on a list of applicants. That list is formulated by ordering each preference according to the **oversubscription criteria**. For example if there are 60 places, places will be offered to those who are in positions 1-60 on this list. Those in positions 61 onwards would be unsuccessful and placed on a **waiting list** for that school.

Where there are fewer places left than applicants in any one of the six priorities of these oversubscription criteria, places will be allocated to the applicant who also fulfils the next highest priority. For example, for two children who are both resident in the catchment area and are thus assigned the same (third) priority, a place would be allocated first to the child who also fulfils the next highest priority, for example, who also has an exceptional social or medical need for that school (fourth priority) over a child living closer to the school (sixth priority).

Standard Oversubscription Criteria in Priority Order

- **First priority: Children who are either currently or have previously been ‘looked after’ or have been adopted from care including children who were previously looked after outside England.** This applies to all children who are currently in the care of a local authority and all children who have been adopted from local authority care including children who were previously looked after outside England, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order. You will need to provide us with written proof of their status after applying.
- **Second priority: Children who live within the catchment area normally served by the preferred school, with a sibling at the preferred school at the time of admission.** Catchment areas are designated by the Local Authority. See Section G of this guide, online at york.gov.uk, and upon request from the School Admissions team. Siblings are defined as brothers or sisters living in the same house,

as their primary place of residence (including half-, step-, and foster-brothers or sisters). Parents/carers must provide details of the siblings when making the application.

- **Third priority: Children who live within the catchment area normally served by the preferred school.** Catchment areas are designated by the Local Authority. See Section G of this guide, online at york.gov.uk/admissions, and upon request from the School Admissions team
- **Fourth priority: Children considered by the admission authority to have exceptional social or medical needs which makes the preferred school for the most suitable school for the child.** The admission authority may consult with other medical or educational professionals for a further opinion as to whether the child should be allocated a place at the preferred school due to a particular medical condition or social need. We advise that you consult the school admission policy and contact the Admissions Team for more information.
- **Fifth priority: Children with siblings at the preferred school at the time of admission.** Siblings are defined as brothers or sisters living in the same house, as their primary place of residence (including half-, step- and foster-brothers or sisters). Parents/carers must provide details of the siblings when making the application.
- **Sixth priority: Other applications for whom no previous criteria applies (previously called distance) where a pupil is eligible for Pupil Premium or Service Pupil Premium ordered from closest to furthest from school.** Pupils who are eligible for Pupil Premium or Service Pupil Premium on 31st October 2026, ordered by who lives closest to the preferred school using the nearest available safe walking route. Eligibility on 31st October 2026 will be confirmed by the pupil's current school. Any changes in eligibility after 31st October 2026 will not be considered. If eligibility confirmation is not received by 15th November 2026 the criteria will not be applied.
- **Seventh priority: Other applications for whom no previous criteria applies (previously called distance) where a pupil is not eligible for Pupil Premium or Service Pupil Premium ordered from closest to furthest from school.** Distances are measured by a GIS mapping system from the pupil's home address to the closest entrance of the school.

The full admission policies are available online and on request from the Admissions Team.

Schools with 'Non-Standard' Oversubscription Criteria

Some voluntary aided schools and academies use oversubscription criteria that differs from those listed above. If you have any queries, we recommend that you consult their admissions policy which can be found in the Guide to Admission Policies, online at the City of York Council website and on the school's website, or contact the school. You can find school contact details in Section E of this guide.



Frequently asked questions

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Frequently asked questions

In this section, you will find answers to questions about school admissions. If you cannot find the answer to your query here or elsewhere in this guide, please contact us.

In **Section C** of this guide you will find information on the admissions policies and oversubscription criteria for our schools.

In **Section E** of this guide you will find data on how places were allocated in previous years as well as contact information for our schools.

Some questions and answers below will be relevant to all applications, and some will be specific to the following types of application. Where these do not apply to all they will be marked clearly in the following way:

- P** Starting Primary School
- J** Starting Junior School
- S** Starting Secondary School
- Y12** Starting Year 12
- IY** Applying for an 'in-year' place

When can my child start school?

P

Children born between **01 September 2022** and **31 August 2023** may start school full time in September 2027. However, you may opt to delay the entry of your child until later in the Reception year as long as your child is in school at the start of the school term after they turn five. You may also ask your allocated school whether part time education is available in your child's reception year. If you wish to **delay entry**, please speak to the head teacher of the school your child is allocated between National Offer Day and the start of term in September.

If your child was summer born, that is born after **01 April 2023**, you can **request to defer** their start date until Reception in September 2028 rather than September 2027. If you wish to do this, you must complete a delay/defer application which should be shared with your preference school/s for confirmation with your application by **15 January 2027**. Requests should include the reasons why you feel your child may benefit from a deferral. Late requests for a deferral may not be considered as the policy between admission authorities in York only covers such requests made by **15 January**. Any requests to defer entry must be approved and confirmed with your preference school via the delay/defer application prior to making your application.

When can I apply?

P J S

You can apply from September **one year before** your child would be due to start school. Secondary applications must be received by **31 October** and Primary/Infant and Junior applications must be received by **15 January**.

When can I apply?

IY

We can only process in-year applications within **20 school days** of the date you tell us you require the place, as we are unable to 'reserve' or allocate places any further in advance. If you are a service family, we may be able to allocate places earlier upon receipt of a posting order.

How are places allocated?

P J S

IY

Where there are more requests than places available, we will need to determine who is most entitled to these places. In this case, places are allocated according to the **oversubscription criteria** for each school. These are available in Section C of this guide.

How many places are available?

P J S

How many places are intended to be offered each year is known as the **published admission number (PAN)**. Information on the PAN for each school is contained within Section E of this guide. For some primary and infant schools, infant class size legislation may also mean that additional pupils above the PAN cannot legally be admitted.

How many places are available?

IY

For in-year applications, the current number of pupils within each current class or year group will determine whether places are available. This may be higher or lower than the **published admission number (PAN)** as it depends on whether that class or year group can admit additional pupils without affecting the education of the pupils already enrolled. Availability of places therefore depends on current and future year's class organisation.

Infant Class Sizes:

What does the limit on class sizes mean?

P

IY

Legislation prevents class sizes in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 from exceeding **30 pupils per teacher**. Admissions authorities must take this into account when allocating places. You can still appeal if your child has not been allocated a place due to infant class size legislation, though the terms on which the appeal is held are different. Please see Section F of this guide for further information.

What is a Community school?

P J S Y12 IY

These are schools maintained by the Local Authority (LA). In a community school, the governing body manage and oversee the running of the school, including appointing staff and managing the school budget. The LA is the **admission authority** for community schools, which means all decisions and policies are the LA's responsibility. The admissions policy for these schools is the same for all community and voluntary controlled schools.

What is a Voluntary Controlled (VC) school?

P J S Y12 IY

These are similar to community schools, although they were founded by other organisations such as a charity or church. The ethos of the school is likely to be influenced by the ideas of the organisation which founded it. In a VC school, the governing body manage and oversee the running of the school, including appointing staff and managing the school budget. The LA is the **admission authority** for VC schools, which means all decisions and policies are our responsibility. The admissions policy for these schools is the same for all community and voluntary controlled schools.

What is a Voluntary Aided (VA) school?

P J S Y12 IY

Voluntary Aided schools were founded by other organisations such as a charity or church and are not fully maintained by the LA. The ethos of the school is likely to be influenced by the ideas of the organisation which founded it. In a VA school, the governing body have more power than those of VC or community schools – they employ all the staff and they share the maintenance of the school buildings with the LA. The **governing body is the admission authority** for voluntary aided schools and the admissions policy is different for each school.

What is an Academy?

P J S Y12 IY

Academies are schools that are independent of the LA but are still publicly funded. The **academy trust is the admission authority** and the admissions policy may be different for each school or group of schools within an academy trust. Academies with 'standard' admissions criteria have processes and definitions almost identical to those of community schools, though some other academies may have 'non-standard' oversubscription criteria.

What should I look for when considering schools?

P J S Y12 IY

We recommend all parents visit all schools they are applying for, including their **catchment** school, before making an application, if possible. Visiting a school is often a good way to get the feel of a school, and decide whether it should be one of your 5 preferences. Secondary schools hold **open evenings**, and primary schools may have times for parents to visit. Please be aware that it is at the school's discretion whether they can accommodate a school visit for an in-year application.

Which school is my catchment school?

P J S Y12 IY

You can view catchment areas online or find information in Section G of this guide. You will only ever be in the catchment area for one primary school – and with the exception of Bishopthorpe, Acaster Malbis and Copmanthorpe, only one secondary school.

Can I apply for a school outside York?

P J S Y12 IY

If you would like a place at a school outside York you still need to apply to us as your **home local authority**. We will then liaise with the appropriate area as part of our coordinated duties. Some areas within York may be in the catchment area for schools elsewhere. Please contact us if you are unsure if this applies to you.

I live outside York – how do I apply?

P J S Y12 IY

If you live outside our boundary but you wish your child to attend a York school, you should apply to your **home local authority**.

Can my child be admitted to a higher or lower year group?

P J S IY

For a child to be admitted to a higher or lower year group there would usually be very significant educational and social reasons. It would often be the outcome of an ongoing dialogue between you and the head teacher of the school concerned. Any request for starting secondary school early must be made in writing by **31 October** when the child is in Year 5.

How do I apply for a child with special educational needs?

P J S Y12 IY

If you are applying on the grounds of your child having an Education, Health and Care Plan, you need to apply to the **Special Educational Needs team** or speak to the **SENDCO** at your child's current school. If your child has some special educational needs but not an **EHCP** then your application should be through the mainstream process – in which case the admissions policy applied will not take account of your child's special educational needs. You can get further help and advice from **SENDIASS**.

How do I apply for a currently 'looked after' child?

P J S Y12 IY

If you are applying on the grounds of your child being currently 'looked after', you should ask your social worker to confirm this in writing to education@york.gov.uk after you have applied.

How do I apply for a ‘previously looked after’ or adopted child?

P J S Y12 IY

If you are applying on the grounds of your child being previously ‘looked after’ or now adopted, you should ask your social worker to confirm this in writing to education@york.gov.uk after you have applied. Being ‘previously looked after’ applies to all children adopted from local authority care. For further details please see Section C.

How were places allocated in previous years?

P J S

The tables in Section E of this guide include some admission statistics for previous admission years. This information may provide you with an indication of how places were allocated last year, but please note that this may not reflect preference and application trends for the current round of applications.

What happens if I apply late?

P

By the time we receive your application, your preferred school(s) may have filled all available places. For some schools this may be at the infant class size limit. We will then allocate a place at the nearest alternative school with places available. This may be a school that is not your catchment school, or one some distance from your home address.

What exceptional social or medical reasons can be considered?

P J S Y12 IY

If you are applying with exceptional social or medical reasons, please provide supporting information when you make your application. Additional information / documents can be emailed to education@york.gov.uk. All reasons should be for the preferred school and not against another school. If the school for which you have additional reasons for is a **Voluntary Aided or Academy** school, you should also forward the information to them for their consideration. Please be aware that a medical diagnosis does not guarantee exceptional social/medical criteria for your application. Additional information **must** be provided with your application.

We recommend that this information is an **independent recommendation** from a doctor, social worker or other appropriate professional that states clearly that your child has such an exceptional need. It should also make clear to which school it applies and that this school is the most suitable school able to meet your child’s needs, including what difficulties would result if your child had to attend any other school. Many parents have a variety of social reasons for their children to attend a particular school – this may be due to location, existing friendship groups, childcare or the practicalities of your employment and routine. However these are not exceptional reasons – and for this reason very few applications are successfully considered as such.

Special educational needs are not considered under the criteria of exceptional, social or medical need. If your child has a Statement or Education, Health and Care Plan, please contact the **Special Educational Needs team**. If you do not provide any additional information, your application will be considered based on the information in your application. You will not be informed before National Offer Day if applying for primary, junior or secondary school for the first time.

What are the policies for voluntary aided and academy schools?

P J S Y12 IY

The policies for admission to voluntary aided (VA) and academy schools are set by the governing body or academy trust of these schools and can be viewed online. Information on which City of York schools are voluntary aided or academy schools, and which admission policy and oversubscription criteria applies is contained in Section E of this guide.

What happens if I don't apply for a school place? J S

If you don't apply by the deadline, we will write to you and ask you for some preferences. If you don't reply, we will allocate you a place at the nearest alternative school with places available after all other allocations have taken place. This may be a school that is not your catchment school, or one some distance from your home address. This is not possible for reception applications as we may not have a record of the child.

What if I have a change of preference before places are allocated? P J

If you would like to change your preferences after having made an application, we will take these into account if possible. All changes of preference need to be made in writing, from the original applicant and email address. For applications to start **primary, infant or junior** school we may not be able to accept changes for voluntary aided or academy schools, or schools in other local authority areas after **15 January**.

We will not be able to accept any changes after the **last working day in February**, any changes between these dates will be at the discretion of the Admissions Team.

What if I have a change of preference before places are allocated? S

All changes of preference need to be made in writing, from the original applicant and email address. For applications to start **secondary** school we may not be able to accept changes for voluntary aided or academy schools, or schools in other local authority areas after **31 October**. We will not be able to accept any changes after **31 January**. Any changes between these dates will be at the discretion of the Admissions Team.

What if my circumstances change before places are allocated?

P J S

If your circumstances (such as your address) change between the date of application and when places are allocated, please inform us immediately. If we can, we will take these changed circumstances into account, as long as the appropriate proof is provided prior to allocating places. Please email this proof to education@york.gov.uk. Please note that changes in the month prior to National Offer Day may not be able to be taken into account. Any changes will be at the discretion of the Admissions Team.

I am moving to York – how do I apply for a place at infant, primary or junior school?

IY

When you have secured a York address, please make an application for a school place at york.gov.uk/admissions. We will try to allocate a place at a school of your preference, however, some schools may be full, and so allocating any additional pupils to the school would prejudice the education of other pupils already attending the school, or be in breach of infant class size legislation. If your school/s of preference are full, we will look to allocate a place at the closest school to your address with places available, which may not be at your catchment school. If your preference schools are full and we cannot provide a school place within a reasonable distance, your application may be referred to the Fair Access Protocol. You will be advised of this and a meeting decision provided within **20 school days** of the referral decision letter.

I am moving to York – how do I apply for a place at secondary school?

IY

When you have secured a York address, please make an application for a school place at york.gov.uk/admissions. We will try to allocate a place at a school of your preference, however, some schools may be full, and so allocating any additional pupils to the school would prejudice the education of other pupils already attending the school. The following York secondary schools have their own catchment area: Archbishop Holgate's CE School, Fulford School, Huntington School, Joseph Rowntree School, Millthorpe School, Vale of York Academy and York High School. If your school/s of preference are full, we will look to allocate a place at the closest school to your address with places available, which may not be at your catchment school. If your preference schools are full and we cannot provide a school place within a reasonable distance, your application may be referred to the Fair Access Protocol. You will be advised of this and a meeting decision provided within 20 school days of the referral decision letter.

Do you have ‘in-year’ waiting lists for schools?



For in-year applications we hold waiting lists that are based on the current circumstances of each child, which are ordered in line with the school oversubscription criteria and not the length of time on the waiting list. We hold them for the current school year where a preference has been refused. Should a place become available and the school informs us, we will advise the school of the most entitled child to this place. Towards the end of the current school year, mid June, you should make a new application as waiting lists do not ‘roll over’ into future years. It is your responsibility to inform us if you no longer wish to be on a waiting list. If your school application is refused and referred to the Fair Access Meeting, your application may not be placed on waiting lists but you will have the right to appeal.

Do you have waiting lists for schools?



If a school is oversubscribed, a waiting list will be held until at least **31 December 2026**. Your child’s position on this list will be determined by the **oversubscription criteria** of the school you are applying for. If your circumstances change, your position on the waiting list may also change, provided you have notified us of these changes in writing. If you want your child to be added to the waiting list for a voluntary aided or academy school with faith-based criteria, also contact the school, who may require additional information. If you would like your child to be added to a waiting list please put this in writing to us.

Children who move into the York area after the allocation date will be added to waiting lists in accordance with the relevant oversubscription criteria and their **current circumstances**. If a place becomes available from a waiting list for your child, you will only have a short amount of time in which to decide to take up this place. If we cannot make contact with you regarding a place from a waiting list, we may proceed to the next child on the list. If you appeal for a place at a school, it does not affect your child’s place on the waiting list. You should only submit an application if you are certain that you want your child to move school, as once a new school is allocated, we cannot guarantee that a place will still be available at your original school if you change your mind. It is your responsibility to inform us if you no longer wish to be on a waiting list.

How do I prove if my child is eligible for Pupil Premium or Service Premium?



A pupil must be eligible for Pupil Premium and/or Service Pupil Premium on 31 October 2026 to meet this criteria. Eligibility on 31 October 2026 will be confirmed by the pupil’s current school. Any changes in eligibility after 31 October 2026 will not be considered. If eligibility confirmation is not received by 15 November 2026 the criteria will not be applied. Confirmation of pupil premium can be emailed from the child’s current school to education@york.gov.uk



Admissions data

Admissions data

This section provides information on each school located in the City of York area, including contact details, capacity, Published Admission Number, and how many places were allocated in the last three years admissions rounds. The information included is to enable you to make informed choices about your preferences. Please be aware that this information is an **indication of previous years** and may not reflect the number of preferences and applications for September 2027. This information is correct at the time of printing.

If you would like any help or further advice in considering any of this information, please contact us:

By post: School Admissions, West Offices, Station Rise, York, YO1 6GA

By phone: 01904 551 554

By email: education@york.gov.uk

Or visit our website york.gov.uk/schools

From October 2015 we have published a number of datasets, including data on preferences and admissions online at York Open Data, and will update this information annually as new information is available.

Please note that the information provided is correct as at 01 July 2026. Please confirm any contact details or Headteacher details on the school website. Where a school/trust is in the process of academisation, we advise that you check with the school as to whether the conversion process has been completed and confirm the Admission Authority.

Primary Schools

Acomb Primary

West Bank, York, YO24 4ES

01904 806799

office@acomb.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 4-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Lee Haynes

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2000	No	315	312
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	55	52

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	45	N/A	0	35	1	9	1.062	1	0	0	1
2025	45	45	N/A	1	29	1	14	0.834	1	0	1	0
2024	45	45	N/A	1	31	5	8	0.524	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Badger Hill Primary

Crossways, Badger Hill, York, YO10 5JF
01904 806480

office@badgerhill.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 4-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Vicky Hunter

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2431	No	210	200
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	12	15

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	30	N/A	0	4	4	22	2.3	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	26	N/A	0	4	7	15	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	19	N/A	0	3	8	8	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Bishopthorpe Infant

Sim Balk Lane, Bishopthorpe,
York, YO23 2QQ
01904 552399

bishopthorpe.infant@york.gov.uk

(Academy in Yorkshire Learning Trust, 4-7). Admission Authority: Yorkshire Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Kerry Davies

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2386	No	170	97
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	26	24

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	22	N/A	0	12	5	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	50	29	N/A	2	20	1	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	50	44	N/A	1	28	1	14	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Burton Green Primary

Burton Green, Clifton, York, YO30 6JE
01904 806293

hello@bgp.hlt.academy

(Academy in Heartwood Learning Trust, 2-11). Admission Authority: Heartwood Learning Trust

Head teacher: Ash McGann

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2024	Yes	210	107
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	28	26

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	26	N/A	1	12	5	8	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	13	N/A	0	8	1	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	24	N/A	2	7	4	11	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Carr Infant

Ostman Road, Acomb, York, YO26 5QA
01904 565140

carrinfants.school@york.gov.uk

(Community, 2-7).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Matthew Oxley

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2003	Yes	270	162
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	83	58

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	58	N/A	2	42	2	15	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	52	N/A	0	37	1	14	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	60	N/A	1	43	1	15	1.675	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Clifton Green Primary

Kingsway North, Clifton, York, YO30 6JA
01904 936948

cliftongreenprimary@york.gov.uk

(Community, 3-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Paul Prest

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2018	Yes	420	348
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	58	28

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	31	N/A	1	15	7	8	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	32	N/A	1	18	8	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	47	N/A	0	28	7	12	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Clifton with Rawcliffe Primary

Eastholme Drive, Rawcliffe, York, YO30 5TA
01904 806530

admin@cwr.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 2-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Claire Fielding

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2430	Yes	630	552
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	90	95	97

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	90	90	N/A	1	75	10	4	1.061	2	0	1	1
2025	90	78	N/A	0	54	10	14	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	90	90	N/A	1	67	12	10	1.98	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Copmanthorpe Primary

Low Green, Copmanthorpe, York, YO23 3SB
01904 554535

copmanthorpeprimary.school@york.gov.uk

(Community, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Luke Dancer

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2013	No	420	273
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	27	30

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	30	N/A	1	27	0	2	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	26	N/A	0	20	2	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	31	N/A	1	25	3	2	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Dringhouses Primary

St Helen's Road, York, YO24 1HW
01904 553940

admin@dringhouses.co.uk

(Community, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council

Head teacher: Claire Scott-South

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2007	No	315	312
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	32	49

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	45	N/A	0	22	14	9	0.581	1	0	1	0
2025	45	45	N/A	2	20	10	13	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	45	44	N/A	0	15	6	23	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Dunnington CE Primary

Pear Tree Lane, Dunnington, York,
YO19 5QG
01904 552910

dunningtonprimary.school@york.gov.uk

(Academy in Yorkshire Learning Trust, 4-11).

Admission Authority: Yorkshire Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Clare Thompson

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3151	No	244	170
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	20	16

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	16	N/A	0	15	0	1	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	22	N/A	0	18	0	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	22	N/A	1	20	0	1	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Elvington CE Primary

Dauby Lane, Elvington, York, YO41 4HP
01904 555280

office@elvingtonprimary.org.uk

(Voluntary Controlled, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Andrew Buttery

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3152	No	140	122
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	20	8	12

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	20	13	N/A	0	6	1	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	20	15	N/A	0	11	4	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	20	10	N/A	0	9	1	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Fishergate Primary

Fishergate, York, YO10 4AP
01904 555335

admin@fishergateschool.com

(Community, 2-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Tina Clarke

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2008	Yes	315	281
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	74	23

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	30	N/A	2	15	3	10	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	45	38	N/A	0	22	6	10	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	45	34	N/A	0	28	1	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Haxby Road Primary

154 Haxby Road, York, YO31 8JN
01904 806620

admin.hrs@ebor.academy

(Academy in Ebor Academy Trust, 2-11).

Admission Authority: Ebor Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Laura Robinson

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2004	Yes	302	247
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	41	30

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	31	N/A	1	14	5	11	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	45	30	N/A	0	14	9	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	45	33	N/A	4	19	1	9	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Headlands Primary

Oak Tree Lane, Haxby, York, YO32 2YH
01904 762356

headlands.primary@york.gov.uk

(Community, 3-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: **TBC**

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2241	Yes	315	243
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	26	22

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	24	N/A	0	16	2	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	45	19	N/A	0	10	4	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	45	24	N/A	1	19	0	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Hempland Primary

Whitby Avenue, York, YO31 1ET
01904 806506

office@hempland.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 4-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Abbie Innes

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2001	No	420	420
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	50	55

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	60	N/A	0	43	4	13	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	60	N/A	1	54	4	1	0.594	4	0	0	4
2024	60	60	N/A	1	53	2	6	0.598	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Heworth CE Primary

53 Heworth Road, York, YO31 0AA
01904 806330

office@heworth.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 4-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Simon White

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3302	No	140	142
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	20	N/A	14

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	20	13	2	0	2	8	1	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	20	20	2	1	6	11	0	N/A	2	1	0	1
2024	20	20	2	0	8	7	3	1.818	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Hob Moor Community Primary Academy

Green Lane, Acomb, York, YO24 4PS
01904 806655

admin.hmp@ebor.academy

(Academy in Ebor Academy Trust, 2-11).
Admission Authority: Ebor Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Tim Jolly

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2028	Yes	320	219
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	57	25

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	27	N/A	0	10	9	8	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	45	31	N/A	1	12	7	11	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	45	29	N/A	0	10	9	10	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Huntington Primary

North Moor Road, Huntington, York,
YO32 9QT
01904 947180 office@hpa.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 4-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Jenny Holton

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2180	No	420	347
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	33	34

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	34	N/A	0	22	1	11	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	53	N/A	1	31	13	8	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	32	N/A	0	21	7	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Knavesmire Primary

Campleshon Road, York, YO23 1HY
01904 806545

admin@knavesmire.elc.org.uk

(Academy in Excel Learning Trust, 2-11).
Admission Authority: Excel Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Adam Cooper

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2011	Yes	420	430
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	42	63

Year	PAN	Total	Staff	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	60	1	0	35	12	12	1.94	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	60	0	1	36	10	13	1.652	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	60	0	1	45	7	7	0.6	1	0	0	1

Lakeside Primary

Oakdale Road, Clifton Moor, York,
YO30 4YL
01904 806444

admin.lak@ebor.academy

(Academy in Ebor Academy Trust, 2-11).
Admission Authority: Ebor Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Mrs J Evans

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2428	Yes	315	181
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	18	16

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	18	N/A	2	11	1	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	32	N/A	1	14	3	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	25	N/A	1	15	5	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Lord Deramore's Primary

School Lane, Heslington, York, YO10 5EE
01904 553890

office.ld@york.gov.uk

(Voluntary Controlled, 4-11).
Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: James Rourke

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3158	No	210	219
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	7	69

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	30	N/A	3	1	7	19	0.939	4	0	1	3
2025	30	30	N/A	1	3	4	22	1.196	1	0	0	1
2024	30	30	N/A	3	8	7	12	1.062	2	0	0	2

Naburn CE Primary

Naburn, York, YO19 4PP
01904 233259

naburn.primary@york.gov.uk

(Academy in The Education Alliance, 4-11).
Admission Authority: The Education Alliance.

Head teacher: Kate Durham

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3159	No	83	40
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	12	10	8

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	12	8	N/A	0	4	3	1	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	12	10	N/A	0	8	2	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	12	5	N/A	0	5	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

New Earswick Primary

Hawthorn Terrace, New Earswick, York,
YO32 4BY
01904 806446 office@nep.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy
Trust, 2-11). Admission Authority:
Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Helen Coles (Executive Head)

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2021	Yes	210	185
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	14	21

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	21	N/A	1	11	3	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	29	N/A	1	18	4	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	20	N/A	1	13	1	15	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Osballdwick Primary

The Leyes, Osballdwick, York, YO10 3PR
and Osballdwick Lane, York, YO10 3AX
01904 806429

admin.osb@ebor.academy

(Academy in Ebor Academy Trust, 2-11).
Admissions Authority: Ebor Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Matthew Brown

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2176	Yes	420	231
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	70	24

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	29	N/A	0	20	4	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	45	30	N/A	0	22	4	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	45	31	N/A	0	21	3	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs RC Primary

Hamilton Drive, Holgate, York, YO24 4J
01904 806093

enquiries@olqm.npcat.org.uk

(Academy in Nicholas Postgate Catholic
Academy Trust 2-11). Admission Authority:
Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Sophie Adams

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2904	Yes	420	359
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	N/A	59

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	60	25	0	N/A	0	35	2.074	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	52	17	0	N/A	0	35	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	41	19	0	N/A	0	22	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Park Grove Primary

Park Grove, York, YO31 8LG
01904 806500

admin.pgs@ebor.academy

(Academy in Ebor Academy Trust, 2-11).
Admission Authority: Ebor Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Jo Sawyer

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2012	Yes	270	262
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	40	28	37

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	40	35	N/A	0	13	7	15	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	40	30	N/A	1	11	7	11	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	40	34	N/A	0	14	3	17	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Poppleton Ousebank Primary

Main Street, Upper Poppleton, York,
YO26 6JT
01904 795930 hello@pop.hlt.academy

(Academy in Heartwood Learning Trust, 2-11). Admission Authority: Heartwood Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Linda Collier

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2029	Yes	420	393
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	41	54

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	55	N/A	1	37	3	14	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	52	N/A	0	32	8	12	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	58	N/A	0	40	9	9	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Poppleton Road Primary

Poppleton Road, York, YO26 4UP
01904 806522

office@poppleton.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi-Academy Trust, 2-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi-Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Ellie Dawson

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2014	Yes	420	379
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	28	49

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	51	N/A	0	26	10	15	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	53	N/A	0	24	9	20	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	52	N/A	0	17	10	25	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Ralph Butterfield Primary

Station Road, Haxby, York, YO32 3LS
01904 768325

ralphbutterfield.school@york.gov.uk

(Community, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Helen Stephenson (interim)

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2058	No	315	311
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	33	51

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	45	N/A	2	28	9	6	2.771	1	0	0	1
2025	50	37	N/A	3	22	4	8	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	50	50	N/A	0	23	12	15	170.3	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Robert Wilkinson Primary

West End, Strensall, York, YO32 5UH
01904 806414

admin.rws@ebor.academy

(Academy in Ebor Academy Trust, 2-11).

Admission Authority: Ebor Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Donna Bedford

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3212	Yes	630	448
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	75	41	53

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	75	55	N/A	0	50	3	2	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	75	46	N/A	1	40	0	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	75	54	N/A	1	46	4	3	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Rufforth Primary

Wetherby Road, Rufforth, York, YO23 3QF
01904 806222

office@rufforth.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 4-11). Admission Authority:

Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Jill Richards

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2349	No	104	103
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	15	4	17

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	15	15	N/A	0	4	3	8	3.177	1	0	1	0
2025	15	11	N/A	0	3	5	3	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	15	15	N/A	0	3	5	7	3.951	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Scarcroft Primary

Moss Street, York, YO23 1BS
01904 806635

admin@scarcroft.elc.org.uk

(Academy in Excel Learning Trust, 4-11).
Admission Authority: Excel Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Jen Mitchell

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2016	No	420	347
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	55	30

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	30	N/A	0	22	5	3	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	45	39	N/A	0	28	4	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	36	N/A	0	27	5	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Skelton Primary

Brecksfield, Skelton, York, YO30 1YB
01904 806285

hello@ske.hlt.academy

(Academy, Heartwood Learning Trust, 2-11).
Admission Authority: Heartwood Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Corinne Naylor

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2169	Yes	157	90
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	26	14	19

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	26	19	N/A	0	13	3	3	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	26	9	N/A	0	8	1	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	26	20	N/A	1	18	1	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

St Aelred's RC Primary

Fifth Avenue, Tang Hall, York, YO31 0QQ
01904 806075

enquiries@staeldreds.npcat.org.uk

(Academy in Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust 2-11). Admission Authority: Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust

Head teacher: Claire Hughes

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3401	Yes	210	162
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	N/A	11

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	13	5	0	N/A	0	8	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	15	2	1	N/A	0	12	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	27	6	0	N/A	0	21	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

St Barnabas' CE Primary

Jubilee Terrace, Leeman Road, York,
YO26 4YZ

01904 936330

office@stb.pmat.academy

(Voluntary Controlled, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Executive Head: Jill Richards

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3002	No	180	76
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	15	19	10

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	15	11	N/A	0	8	1	2	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	11	N/A	0	9	1	1	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	11	N/A	0	10	1	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

St George's RC Primary

1 Winterscale Street, Fishergate, York,
YO10 4BT

01904 806192

enquiries@stgeorges.npcat.org.uk

(Academy in Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust, 2-11). Admission Authority: Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Clare Clark

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3402	Yes	210	191
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	N/A	14

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	22	7	0	N/A	0	15	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	30	16	1	N/A	0	13	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	25	5	0	N/A	0	20	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

St Lawrence's CE Primary

Heslington Road, York, YO10 5BW
01904 806486

office@stl.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 2-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Helen Coles

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2020	Yes	210	120
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	15	22	20

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	15	15	N/A	1	9	4	1	0.71	1	0	0	1
2025	15	15	0	0	6	3	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	22	0	0	7	7	8	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

St Mary's CE Primary

School Lane, Askham Richard, York,
YO23 3PD
01904 552540

admin@stmarysprimaryschool.co.uk

(Voluntary Controlled, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Richard Moss

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3222	No	105	99
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	15	11	14

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	15	15	N/A	0	11	1	3	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	15	11	N/A	0	6	1	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	15	15	N/A	0	12	2	1	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

St Oswald's CE Primary

Heslington Lane, Fulford, York, YO10 4LX
01904 555421

stoswalds.primary@york.gov.uk

(Voluntary Controlled, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Jemma Dunne

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3156	No	315	321
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	30	55

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	45	N/A	3	33	9	0	N/A	6	0	3	3
2025	45	45	N/A	1	33	11	0	N/A	2	1	1	0
2024	45	45	N/A	0	27	5	13	0.577	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

St Paul's CE Primary

St Paul's Terrace, Holgate, York, YO24 4BJ
01904 551122

stpauls.primary@york.gov.uk

(Voluntary Controlled, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Christie Clarke

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3003	No	167	168
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	28	21	22

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	28	24	N/A	0	11	6	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	28	19	N/A	0	5	4	10	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	28	24	N/A	0	12	3	9	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

St Wilfrid's RC Primary

Monkgate, York, YO31 7PB
01904 659726

enquiries@stwilfrids.npcat.org.uk

(Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust, 3-11). Admission Authority: Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust

Head teacher: Helen Keith

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3403	Yes	280	239
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	40	N/A	29

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	40	27	12	1	N/A	0	14	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	40	32	8	0	N/A	0	24	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	40	29	19	0	N/A	0	10	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Stockton on the Forest Primary

Main Street, Stockton on the Forest, York, YO32 9UP

01904 400366

stocktononforest.primary@york.gov.uk

(Community, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Jo Collins

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2227	No	105	91
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	15	7	9

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	15	9	N/A	0	5	0	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	15	11	N/A	0	7	1	3	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	15	12	N/A	0	8	1	3	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Tang Hall Primary

Sixth Avenue, York, YO31 0UT
01904 806515

office@tanghall.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 2-11). Admission Authority: Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Lorraine Atkinson

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2429	Yes	210	183
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	67	28

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	28	N/A	1	20	1	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	22	N/A	2	14	1	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	26	N/A	1	19	2	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Westfield Community Primary

Askham Lane, Acomb, York, YO24 3HP
01904 555295

office@westfieldprimary.co.uk

(Community, 2-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Lamara Taylor

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2017	Yes	630	462
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	82	53

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	56	N/A	0	44	5	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	80	68	N/A	2	53	8	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	80	55	N/A	2	41	3	9	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Wheldrake with Thorganby CE Primary

North Lane, Wheldrake, York, YO19 6BB
01904 553422

wheldrake.school@york.gov.uk

(Academy in Yorkshire Learning Trust, 4-11).

Admission Authority: Yorkshire Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Emma Miller

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3380	No	210	161
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	30	11	24

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	30	25	N/A	2	20	1	2	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	30	19	N/A	0	15	2	2	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	30	13	N/A	0	12	1	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Wigginton Primary

Westfield Lane, Wigginton, York, YO32 2FZ
01904 552225

wiggintonprimary.school@york.gov.uk

(Community, 4-11).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Paul Laycock

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2240	No	280	247
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	40	17	36

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	40	36	N/A	0	24	7	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	40	34	N/A	0	22	5	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	40	25	N/A	0	22	2	1	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Woodthorpe Primary

Summerfield Road, Woodthorpe, York,
YO24 2RU
01904 806464

admin@woodthorpe.elc.academy

(Academy in Excel Learning Trust, 2-11).
Admission Authority: Excel Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Charlotte Grason-Taylor

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2027	Yes	420	399
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	40	64

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	60	N/A	0	41	13	6	0.922	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	59	N/A	1	32	3	23	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	48	N/A	1	38	4	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Yearsley Grove Primary

Yearsley Grove, Huntington, York,
YO31 9BX
01904 554490

yearsleygrove.primary@york.gov.uk

(Community, 2-11).
Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Vicki Kerr

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2015	Yes	443	356
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	44	40

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	39	N/A	0	22	11	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	46	N/A	3	23	7	13	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	45	N/A	1	24	14	6	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Junior Schools

Archbishop of York’s CE Junior

Copmanthorpe Lane, Bishopthorpe, York,
YO23 2QT
01904 551630
ayjs@york.gov.uk
(Academy, Yorkshire Learning Trust, 7-11).
Admission Authority: Yorkshire Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Kerry Davies

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
3229	N/A	240	160
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	45	31	26

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Feeder school/ distance	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	45	25	N/A	0	19	2	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	45	24	N/A	1	16	3	4	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	48	N/A	2	38	1	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Carr Junior

Ostman Road, Acomb, York, YO26 5QA
01904 798996
admin@carrjunior.elc.org.uk
(Excel Learning Trust Academy Trust, 7-11).
Admission Authority: Excel Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Laura Winston

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
2002	N/A	432	232
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	60	93	57

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Feeder school/ distance	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	60	54	N/A	1	42	6	5	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	60	51	N/A	3	38	3	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	60	61	N/A	1	43	5	12	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Secondary Schools

All Saints' RC School

Nunnery Lane, York, YO23 1JG and
Mill Mount Lane, York, YO24 1BJ

01904 647877

usenquiries@allsaintsyork.npcat.org.uk

(Voluntary Aided, 11-18).

Admission Authority: Nicholas

Postgate Catholic Academy Trust

Head teacher: Sharon Keelan-Beardsley

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4702	N/A	1337	896
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	178	N/A	234

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Distance	Feeder school	Staff	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	178	178	138	6	N/A	31	3	2.334	10	0	1	9
2025	178	178	123	8	7	39	1	0.482	3	0	2	1
2024	178	178	120	10	N/A	48	0	N/A	9	2	2	5

Archbishop Holgate's CE School

Hull Road, York, YO10 5ZA

01904 411341

reception@ahs.pmat.academy

(Academy in Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 11-18). Admission Authority:

Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust.

Head teacher: Lucie Pond

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4500	N/A	1854	1484
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	300	277	312

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Other*	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	300	300	42	13	112	106	27	3.498	6	2	2	2
2025	300	300	37	14	132	100	17	2.019	6	1	3	2
2024	300	300	27	13	136	95	29	4.26	12	4	3	5

* other includes distance and staff

Fulford School

Fulfordgate, Heslington Lane, Fulford, York,
YO10 4FY

01904 633300

office@fulford.york.sch.uk

(Academy in Yorkshire Learning Trust,
11-18). Admission Authority:
Yorkshire Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Russell Harris

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4553	N/A	1899	1466
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)**	Sept 26 1st pref.
	300	295	318

Year	PAN	Total	Feeder school	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist*	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	300	300	16	18	231	19	34	3.232	4	2	2	0
2025	300	300	9	7	261	15	8	1.530	5	4	1	0
2024	300	300	23	10	245	16	6	1.424	9	0	5	4

* distance includes staff places

** may exclude some North Yorkshire Council residents

Huntington School

Huntington Road, Huntington, York,
YO32 9WT

01904 752100

mail@huntington-ed.org.uk

(Community, 11-18).
Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: Matt Smith

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4063	N/A	1557	1216
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)*	Sept 26 1st pref.
	239	176	278

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	239	239	N/A	14	196	28	1	0.296	13	1	2	10
2025	239	239	N/A	13	190	16	20	1.243	7	1	2	4
2024	239	239	N/A	15	173	21	30	1.999	2	1	1	0

* may exclude some North Yorkshire Council residents

Joseph Rowntree School

Haxby Road, New Earswick, York, YO32 4BZ
01904 552100

contact@josephrowntreeschool.co.uk

(Voluntary Controlled, 11-18).

Admission Authority: City of York Council.

Head teacher: David Hewitt

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4508	N/A	1357	1039
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	210	276	168

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	210	199	N/A	20	138	16	25	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	210	210	N/A	10	154	11	35	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	232	213	N/A	9	139	23	42	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Manor CE Academy

Millfield Lane, Nether Poppleton, York,
YO26 6PQ

01904 798722

hello@mce.hlt.academy

(Academy in Yorkshire Learning Trust, 11-16).

Admission Authority: Heartwood Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Jordan Cairns

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4602	N/A	1200	1136
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)*	Sept 26 1st pref.
	240	239	204

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch*	Sib	Other**	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	240	228	23	8	119	18	60	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	240	240	29	6	111	30	64	11.45	1	1	0	0
2024	240	240	30	11	133	17	49	17.4	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

* Manor Priority Zone ** other includes staff and distance

Millthorpe School

Nunthorpe Avenue, York, YO23 1WF
01904 686400

admin@millthorpe.elc.org.uk

(Academy in Excel Learning Trust, 11-16).

Admission Authority: Excel Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Kavina Rothenburg

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4229	N/A	1060	1023
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	210	284	182

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	210	198	N/A	15	128	14	41	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	210	209	N/A	6	152	6	45	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	210	210	N/A	2	167	5	36	16.9	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

Vale of York Academy

Rawcliffe Drive, Clifton, York, YO30 6ZS
01904 560000

hello@voy.hlt.academy

(Academy in Heartwood Learning Trust 11-16). Admission Authority: Heartwood Learning Trust

Head teacher: Alexis Green-Harding

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4000	N/A	1000	656
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)	Sept 26 1st pref.
	150	239	115

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	150	127	N/A	7	101	0	19	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	150	147	N/A	3	119	7	18	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2024	150	150	N/A	4	141	3	2	1.124	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

York High School

Cornlands Road, Acomb, York, YO24 3WZ
01904 806600

reception@yorkhigh.elc.org.uk

(Academy in Excel Learning Trust, 11-16). Admission Authority: Excel Learning Trust.

Head teacher: Gavin Kumar

DfE no.	Nursery	Net capacity	No. on roll
4001	N/A	982	749
	Published admission number	Resident in catchment (forecast)*	Sept 26 1st pref.
	150	464	125

Year	PAN	Total	Rel	S,L,E	Catch	Sib	Dist	Miles	Appeals	Upheld	Withdrawn	Dismissed
2026	150	131	N/A	6	114	4	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025	150	150	N/A	6	144	0	0	N/A	9	3	3	3
2024	150	150	N/A	4	135	6	5	1.717	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

* also includes Manor Priority Zone residents

Nursery Schools

The following school is maintained by the City of York Council and provides education for children aged 3-5.

St Paul's Nursery School

12 St Paul's Square, York, YO24 4BD
01904 555995

st.pauls.nursery@york.gov.uk

(Community, 3-5)

Contact: Claire Ridgen

Special Schools

The following schools maintained by the City of York Council provide education for children with special educational needs.

Applefields School

Bad Bargain Lane, York, YO31 0LW
01904 553900

info@applefields.pmat.academy

(Special Educational Needs School, Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, 11-19)

Contact: Adam Booker

Special needs catered for: Pupils with profound and multiple learning difficulties, severe learning difficulties, autism, and children with complex needs

Danesgate Community

Fulford Cross, Fulford, York, YO10 4PB
01904 555555

(Community PRU, 5-16)

Contact: Chris Nichols

Special needs catered for: Pupils with behavioural, emotional and social difficulties

Hob Moor Oaks School

Green Lane, Acomb, York, YO24 4PS
01904 806655

admin.hmo@ebor.academy

(Special Educational Needs Academy in the Ebor Academy Trust, 3-11)

Contact: Olivia Hargreaves / Sarah Taylor

Special needs catered for: Pupils with profound and multiple learning difficulties, severe learning difficulties, autism, and children with complex needs



Support

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School Admission Appeals

If you have been refused a place at a school of your preference, you have the right to appeal against the decision of the admission authority, for an Independent Appeal Panel to examine how places were allocated and whether you were refused in accordance with the admissions policy and procedure.

The following pages outline some information that you should consider before deciding to appeal. It is important to remember when appealing, that you are **appealing for a place at your preferred school** and not against the school your child has been allocated.

Your Right of Appeal

If you decide to submit an appeal you will be sent an appeal form relevant to the school and year group for which you are appealing, together with information about the appeals procedure. You should set out the reasons for your appeal and return the form by the date requested.

The Appeal Process

All appeals are considered by an **Independent Appeals Panel**.

After submitting your appeal forms, which should include your reasons for wanting your child to attend your preferred school, the admission authority will also submit papers detailing the reasons your child could not be allocated a place and why they do not believe that any additional children should be admitted. You will be provided with a full copy of all papers before the appeal hearing. These papers will contain the information on how places were allocated and why a place could not be offered to your child.

You may ask for further information that is **relevant to your child's case** prior to the appeal hearing but you should find that the admission authority's papers provide these details.

The Panel will consider all of the information both you and the admission authority submit, either in writing or in person at the appeal hearing. They will make a judgment based on both cases.

Decisions made by the panel are **legally binding** on both you and the admission authority. The admission authority may be the Local Authority, the Governing Body or the Academy Trust of the school.

The **Clerk to the Independent Appeals Panel** is your key contact throughout the process, is independent and plays no part in decision making. The Clerk will write to inform you of the panel's decision within 5 school days after the appeal. Appeals for Voluntary Aided or Academy schools may be organised separately by their respective governing bodies or academy trusts, although most schools use the central council process.

The Appeal Hearing

Upon receipt of your appeal forms, a date will be set at which a representative of the admission authority will attend. If you choose not to attend the hearing, the case will be heard in your absence.

The **Independent Appeals Panel** will hear the case of the admission authority first, followed by your case. There is the opportunity for both parties to ask questions before a decision is made.

There are **two stages** in deciding the outcome of a **prejudice appeal**:

- **First: a factual stage** – The panel must decide whether 'prejudice to the provision of efficient education and use of resources' would arise were an extra child to be admitted to the school.
- **Second: a balancing stage** – If the answer to the first stage is yes, then the panel must weigh the degree of prejudice and decide which case is stronger, the case of the admission authority or your case.

You may only appeal once for each application – which is once each school year. A new appeal would only be considered if new evidence or circumstances became available which could not have been made available at the original appeal hearing.

Infant Class Size Appeals

These appeals are different from the two stage prejudice appeals. Appeals for admission into a class which has reached or will reach the infant class size limit of 30 pupils with one teacher can only be upheld on **very limited grounds**.

These grounds are:

- That the child would have been offered a place if the admission arrangements had been properly implemented,
- That the child would have been offered a place if the arrangements had not been contrary to the mandatory provisions of the school admissions code and legislation, or
- That the decision was not one which a **reasonable** admission authority would make in the circumstances of the case.

Because of these limited grounds, it is less likely that an infant class size appeal will be successful.

Appeals Data

Information on the number of appeals and how many were successful are available in Section E of this guide.

Further details on the appeals process can be obtained on our website at york.gov.uk/admissions

Appeals for pupils with Special Educational Needs

There is a different appeals process for pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan. Further details on this are available from the **SEN Service** on **01904 554336**.

Free School Meals and the Pupil Premium

This section includes information on **Free School Meals**, Assistance with **School Uniform** and the **Pupil Premium**.

Assistance is available to pupils from some low income families who meet certain low income criteria. Schools can also benefit by claiming additional funding through the **Pupil Premium**.

Free School Meals for low income families

Children from low income families may be entitled to receive free school meals, if their parent/carers receive eligible benefits. Information can be found at www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

Free school meals are available at all schools, however some schools choose to independently administer Free School Meals applications, please enquire with your school as to how applications should be made.

City of York Council can process applications made from www.york.gov.uk/admissions but please be aware that some schools may require an additional application directly to them. All applications are treated in confidence.

Universal Infant Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to claim a free school meal, regardless of whether their parent/carer is on a low income. Meals are available to all pupils but will not continue into Year 3.

The Pupil Premium

Schools may now claim additional funding for some pupils if they meet the eligibility criteria. Eligibility for Pupil Premium can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pupil-premium/pupil-premium>

Given schools benefit from additional funding for eligible pupils, it is important that schools know and that your child is eligible.

If your child is entitled to universal infant free school meals but you think you may be eligible on the basis of your low income, we ask that you still apply so your child's school can benefit from this additional funding as well as your child's meals **continuing uninterrupted** into Year 3.

Schools can spend pupil premium for the **educational benefit** of pupils registered at that school, or on community facilities which benefit pupils at the school, their families, or people who live and work in the local area.

Free School Meals for Year 12 and Year 13 pupils

Once a pupil who is eligible for Free School Meals reaches the end of Year 11, they may continue to receive a free school meal if they are attending a school with a sixth form but a new application may be required. For students going on to study at a college such as Askham Bryan or York College, free school meals may be still claimed, although a new application to the college must be made.

Home to School Transport

Pupils are assessed for free home to school transport when they are allocated a school place. If we think your child is eligible we will send you a link to the relevant online application form. Assistance will be provided for children who are eligible under the **home to school transport policy**. All distances measured from home to school are measured by the **shortest walking route**, which is the same measurement used in allocating school places.

Please note that most assistance depends on whether your child attends their catchment school – that is the school serving the local area in which your child lives. The home address must be the address at which the pupil is ordinarily resident for the majority of the school week. The following pages outline some examples of how pupils may be eligible for some assistance.

Primary school pupils

Primary school pupils are eligible for free transport if:

- They live more than **2 miles** from, and/or it is not a safe walking route, and are attending their catchment school; or
- They live more than **2 miles** from and are attending their nearest suitable school preferred on the grounds of religion or belief and are eligible for free school meals on the basis of low income or in receipt of their maximum level of working tax credit.

Secondary school pupils

Secondary school pupils are eligible for free transport if:

- They live more than **3 miles** from, and/or it is not a safe walking route, and are attending, their City of York catchment school, or
- They are entitled to free school meals on the basis of low income or their parents/carers are in receipt of their maximum level of working tax credit and are attending either:
 - a. one of their **3 nearest schools** where that school is between **2 and 6 miles** away from their home address, or
 - b. the nearest school preferred on the grounds of religion or belief, where they were allocated a place on this basis, and their home is between **2 and 15 miles** from that school.

Transport to sixth form or college

Students who are aged 16-19 and at school or college may be eligible for assistance with transport if they meet certain criteria. These criteria are on or from a family on low income, the distance between home and school/college, **their age when they started the course**, and whether the school or college is the **nearest to offer the chosen course(s)**.

For more information

To apply for home to school or college transport or for further information:

Website: york.gov.uk/TransportToSchoolOrCollege

Call: 01904 551 554

Email: cyp.transport@york.gov.uk

Early Years

If your children are not yet of school age, you may find some of the following information helpful.

Early Education entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds

All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to up to 15 hours per week of early education entitlement funded by the Local Authority. Children may take up a funded place with the following types of providers;

- At a nursery class attached to a local school
- At St Paul's Nursery School
- At a pre-school playgroup
- At a private day nursery or independent nursery school
- With a childminder (who is registered to deliver funded places)

Working parents/carers of 3 and 4 year olds may also be eligible for a further 15 hours per week extended entitlement in addition to the universal 15 hours early education entitlement (known as 30 hours childcare), if they meet certain eligibility criteria.

For further information and to find out if you are eligible, please visit [Best Start in Life](#).

You can get further information on the funded entitlements and early years and childcare provision in York from the **Family Information Service**.

Early Education entitlement for children aged 9 months – 2 years old

Working families with children aged 9 months – 2 years old may be eligible to receive 30 hours funded early education entitlement per week the term after their child turns 9 months old. Visit [Best Start in Life](#) to find out if you are eligible and to apply.

Two year olds from families receiving additional government support, or from families with no recourse to public funds may be eligible for 15 hours per week funding for an early education and childcare place. Contact The **Family Information Service** to find out more.

Delayed Entry

Delayed Entry means that parents/carers may secure a place at a school under the normal admission arrangements but choose to postpone their child's admission until the start of the school term after the child turns five. It is a legal requirement that all children must enter formal full time education the term after their fifth birthday.

Entry can only be **delayed** within the same year group, for example starting in Reception later than September at Christmas or Easter. If your child was born after **01 April** you could delay to September, though this would be to start Year 1, and not Reception. If you are interested in this and think this may be the best option for your child, speak to your allocated school after Offer Day.

Deferred Entry

Requesting to defer entry is to request to postpone your child starting school until the following school year group, to start Reception one year later than your child's age-related peers. Only parents/carers of **summer born children**, who are born after 01 April may request to defer entry.

If you are interested in this option for your child, you will still need to apply at the normal time, and complete a delay/defer application form which must be discussed and confirmed with the preference school detailing your reasons for requesting a deferral, including all reasons and if available, what evidence you wish to be considered when the admission authority makes a decision. You may wish to consider the long term implications of deferring entry, including your child being out of step with their peers and that years cannot be 'skipped' later.

Wraparound Care

Wraparound childcare is before and after school childcare that wraps around the school day. It typically runs from 8.00am until 6.00pm (hours can change depending on local demand) during term time, either on a school site, or another local setting such as a community centre, a nursery, or with a childminder. These are different to enrichment or activity clubs which often run for a short period after school and do not run every day. Some wraparound childcare providers also offer provision during school holiday periods. Usually, provision is available to primary aged children, but some provision may offer places from age 3 and up to age 14.

Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

York's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) is a programme for children and young people in receipt of targeted free school meals, offering fun activities for keeping active, being creative, and trying something new over the Easter, summer, and winter school holidays. Families who are eligible for the HAF programme will receive vouchers from their child's school. For more information, please visit [Holiday Activities and Food – City of York Council](#).

Learning Support Hub

We provide advice and support to pre-school children with additional needs, their families and Early Years Settings. We can be involved from the point of identification of a child's difficulties or vulnerabilities, until the child starts school - or earlier if they are no longer experiencing difficulties or no longer require early intervention.

The team includes the Early Support Co-ordinator, Portage, outreach support from St Pauls Nursery ERP and the wider Specialist teaching team (the Deaf and Hearing Support Team, Physical and Health Needs team and the Visual Impairment team).

More information can be found on the SEND Local Offer at [Learning support hub – York SEND Local Offer](#).

For more information

Call: 01904 554444

Email: fis@york.gov.uk

Text: 'funding' to **07786 202 241**

Go online: www.raiseyork.co.uk/childcare

Family Information Service

Free and impartial information to help families navigate services to support children and parents in the early years and beyond, up to 19 years or 25 years if the child has special educational needs and disabilities. Support includes information about the Early Education Entitlements up to 30 hours for 9 month – 4 year olds and Early Learning Funding for some 2 year olds and how to apply; Ofsted registered childcare; free and low cost groups and activities; parenting support including school readiness; emotional health and wellbeing and more...

Special Educational Needs Services

We work to try to meet the needs of as many pupils as possible within mainstream schools. To help with this, we provide a number of **support services**, which work together with schools and teachers to meet the needs of all pupils. Details of our transport offer for SEN pupils can be found in our home to school transport policy.

For more information:

Call: 01904 554336

Email: sendept@york.gov.uk

Specialist Teaching Team

The Specialist Teaching Team promotes the inclusion of children and young people aged 0-19 (25 in some cases) with low incidence/high needs, with a range of special educational needs and or disabilities and support for their families. Through the Learning Support Hub, we offer specialist assessment, advice, teaching, support and work with providers to develop practice. For more information please see Yorks Local Offer Specialist Teaching Team (**Learning support hub - York SEND Local Offer**)

The team comprises of the following specialist areas:

- portage support for children in the early years
- deaf and hearing support
- vision support
- autism support
- physical and health needs support

Educational Psychology

Educational Psychologists (EPs) work across the age range 0-25 years, supporting schools, colleges, and early years settings to improve the educational outcomes, emotional wellbeing and personal development of children and young people. EPs provide consultation and advice to educational settings based on evidence-based psychological interventions. Requests for EP consultation are prioritised with SENCOs, so any parent/carer who feels their child requires EP involvement should discuss their concerns with the SENCO or Inclusion leader in the first instance.

EPs also work directly with children and young people with complex needs who are proceeding through an Education Health and Care Needs Assessment (EHCNA). EPs offer specialist assessments in a variety of educational settings, undertaken in partnership with parents/carers and staff, in order to provide psychological advice to the Local Authority. Educational Psychologists can also be commissioned to deliver training and staff supervision within schools and settings.

The York EPs offer a monthly telephone supportline to parents/carers during term time.

York SENDIASS Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information, Advice, and Support Service



York SENDIASS provides confidential and impartial information, advice and support about matters relating to children and young people (0-25 yrs) with special educational needs and/ or disabilities, including health and social care. This Service is available free for their parents/carers, for young people from 16 -25 young people, and professionals can see SEND information and advice. We provide this using the relevant law and processes relating to SEND as our aim is to empower referrers to make informed decisions to help plan.

We have lots of ways to refer into this service. We have a short website referral form, or we accept an email or telephone message. All referrals come to our confidential help line, and we answer in date order, with the aim of responding within 3 working days.

To refer into York SENDIASS:

Website: www.yorksendiass.org.uk

Email: Yorksendiass@york.gov.uk

Telephone: 01904 554312 (24 hr answer machine)

Monthly drop-in meetings are also available at SEND central for any parents, carers or young people who are new to our service or cannot access technology. These slots need to be booked with SEND central.

To book a 20-minute slot contact SEND Central:

Email: sendcentral@york.gov.uk

Telephone: 01904 555076.

Please join our York SEND Information, Advice and Support Facebook page as this is where we show all upcoming events from other services as well as our own. We also advertise our free online monthly training sessions here too.

Social media: Facebook – York SEND Information, Advice and Support Service





Catchment areas

Catchment areas

This section has been included to help parents/carers identify the catchment areas of schools in York. It is the **responsibility of the parent/carer** to identify the catchment school of your child.

Please note that the information contained in this section may be subject to future change. Catchment areas may be reviewed, especially where there are large or new housing developments. We always recommend that parents/carers **check individual addresses directly** with us before making an application.

Moving into, or residence in a catchment area **does not** guarantee the allocation of a place at any given school. Instead, children resident in the catchment area may have a higher priority in the **oversubscription criteria**.

We strongly recommend that you consider your catchment school and use one of your preferences for this school, even if it is your final preference. This is because if you are unsuccessful in being allocated all the schools you express a preference for, your child will be allocated a school that was **not of your preference**. We will then allocate a place at the **nearest alternative school with places available**. A place is **not reserved** at your catchment school for your child.

For moves into or across the area after the initial allocation of places (for Reception or Year 7), the availability of a school place always depends on whether the year group at your preferred school(s) is full. If there are no places available, then unfortunately a place may not be offered, **regardless of the home address** of the child.

Catchment Areas in York

Each address in the City of York is located in the catchment area of one York primary school. Most addresses in York are in the catchment area of one secondary school.

The exceptions to this include:

- The villages of Bishopthorpe and Acaster Malbis are in the catchment area of Fulford School, Millthorpe School, and Tadcaster Grammar School (North Yorkshire Council School).
- The village of Copmanthorpe is in the catchment area of Millthorpe School and Tadcaster Grammar School (North Yorkshire Council School).
- Carr Infant School and Carr Junior School share the same catchment area, as do Bishopthorpe Infant School and Archbishop of York's CE Junior School.

Schools in York without catchment areas

Some schools such as church schools, **do not have catchment areas**. They may include Priority Areas or Parish areas in their oversubscription criteria. If you have a query regarding whether your address is included in one of these geographical areas, you should contact the school(s) directly.

These schools are:

- All Saints' RC School
- Heworth CE Primary School
- Manor CE Academy
- Our Lady Queen of Martyrs RC Primary School
- St Aelred's RC Primary School
- St George's RC Primary School
- St Wilfrid's RC Primary School

How to check a catchment area

It is the **responsibility of the parent/carer** to identify the catchment school of your child. You can check an address and its catchment area in a number of ways:

- By viewing maps online at localview.york.gov.uk/sites/lv and selecting the catchment area layers from the **'Education and Learning'** layer list
- Search using your address and postcode at york.gov.uk/SchoolCatchmentAreas
- By emailing a full street address and post code to education@york.gov.uk

If you are still unsure you can check an address by calling **01904 551 554**

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Email us at: cycacessteam@york.gov.uk

Call us: **01904 551550** and customer services will pass your request onto the Access Team.

Use our BSL Video Relay Service:

york.gov.uk/BSLInterpretingService

Select 'Switchboard' from the menu.

We can also translate into the following languages:

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Ta informacja może być dostarczona w twoim własnym języku. (Polish)

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