



# SC000025723: 2025/26 Admissions Arrangements & 2024 Appeals Timetable



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On 20 February 2024, the Executive Lead Member for Hampshire County Council's Children's Services determined the 2025/26 admission arrangements for all Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools in Hampshire.

Details of the full determined admission arrangements can be found at: [Decision - Determination of 2025/26 Admission Arrangements](#) | [About the Council](#) | [Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#).

Any person or body who considers that any aspect of these admission arrangements is unlawful or not compliant with the School Admissions Code or relevant law relating to admissions, can make an objection to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator. Objections must be referred by **15 May 2024**. Further information on how to make an objection can be obtained from the [Office of the Schools Adjudicator](#) website.

## If you are a Community or Voluntary Controlled school:

- Your 2025/26 Admissions Policy will be available on the Education Information Hub by Friday 8 March. There is no need to have this approved by your Governors, as the Executive Lead Member has determined them. Please upload the 2025/26 policy to your website, ensuring that three admissions policies are on display: 2025/26, 2024/25 (for September applications) and 2023/24 (for in-year applications)
- The Admissions Team has prepared the Hampshire County Council's appeals timetable for community and voluntary controlled schools, which can be viewed on the County website: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions/guidance/appeals>. You do not need to do anything in addition. The Admissions Team will be in contact if an appeal hearing is required.

If you are your own admissions authority, please can I remind you of two forthcoming statutory deadlines:

- 1) Determination of admission arrangements for 2025/26  
Legislation also requires that you must determine your admission arrangements for 2025/26 by 28 February 2024. Once determined, if you haven't already done so, you must send a copy of the full determined admission arrangements (including

supplementary form, if applicable) as early as possible (but no later than Wednesday 13 March) to [admissions.team@hants.gov.uk](mailto:admissions.team@hants.gov.uk) so that it can be published on the County website by the statutory deadline of Friday 15 March. You must also ensure that your determined arrangements are published on the school website by the same date. This means that from 15 March, your school website should be displaying three admission policies: your 2025/26 policy, your 2024/25 policy (for Sept 24 intake admissions) and your 2023/24 policy (for in-year admissions). Any previous years policies can be removed.

## 2) Publishing of Appeals Timetable

In accordance with section 2 of the DfE's School Admission Appeal Code, you must publish your 2024 appeals timetable on your school website by 28 February 2024 – this is even if you do foresee not needing to hold any appeals for September entry.

If you are following the same timetable as HCC (for example, you have an agreement with Hampshire's Independent Appeals Service to manage your appeals or you are making your own arrangements for appeals but wish to use the same dates), you may use the HCC appeals timetable as a template to create your own version and publish it on the school website. However, you must not simply provide a link to the document on the County Council website.