



ADMISSIONS POLICY

Hampstead has been designated a seven form of entry school, which means it is able to admit 210 boys and girls each year group. Students are then placed in 7 classes of 30.

Since, in recent years, the school has been oversubscribed, priority is given to applicants according to the following Camden guidelines.

Places will first be offered to applicants with a statement of special education needs naming the school, issued by or with the support of Camden Local Authority, then in the following order priority:

- a) Looked after children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement, or special guardianship order. This also includes previously looked after children who were in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
- b) Applicants who have a brother or sister* living at the same address on the school's roll when they join.

*Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as the sibling.

- c) Applicants whom the Authority accepts have an exceptional social or medical need for a place at the school in question. Parents/guardians will need to submit a case supported by appropriate professional evidence from a doctor, social worker or similar professional. That evidence will need to support the link between the child's needs and the specific school. The local authority will also accept recommendations from the SEN exceptional needs panel for an applicant whose needs support a place at a particular school.
- d) Children whose parent has been a qualified teacher working at the relevant school for two years or more at the time of application and / or children of a qualified teacher at the relevant school who has been recruited to fill a vacancy for which there is a skill shortage.
- e) Distance measured in a straight line from the child's home to the centre of the school, using the local authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority.

If necessary, criterion will be used as a tiebreaker for criteria b, c, and d.

If you are refused a place at Hampstead School, you may appeal to an independent appeal committee.

You can appeal at www.camden.gov.uk/schoolappeal