

WESTCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS



Post 11+ Admission (In-Year Admission)

Those parents, who wish their child to be considered for entry, should complete and return an In-Year Application Form, which can be found on the School's website (www.whsb.essex.sch.uk) a hard copy may also be requested by contacting the School.

The dates when testing takes place for each academic year are published in advance on the School's website. No more than one application can be made in any one academic year. On receipt of a completed application, applicants will be written to within 15 school days.

Requests for admission outside of the usual age group ('under age' or 'over age') should be made in writing to the Headmaster.

Applicants for the Lower School will sit tests in Mathematics, English, Science and two of the following languages (French, German or Spanish). Applicants to the Middle School will sit tests in the 11 GCSE subjects which will form their programme of study. Please note there are no specimen papers available in advance of the tests.

Places are offered to those applicants who have reached the required standard in the tests on the basis of the School's published Admissions criteria, until the Planned Admission Number for that year group is reached again. Applicants must achieve at least a combined percentage in the tests equal to that of the average (the performance of the top 50% of pupils as determined by the School's internal assessments) in the Year group which they intend to join.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application within 15 school days of taking the tests. All in-year applications and the outcome are reported to the Local Authority within 2 days of the outcome letter to the parent/s however, all unplaced pupils are referred to the Local Authority immediately to ensure access to education.

If, based on the test performance, an applicant is deemed to meet the required standard for entry into the relevant year group but there are insufficient vacancies, a waiting list (operated according to the stipulations of the School Admissions Code) will be kept (according to the School's published Admissions Criteria for that year group). Each time an applicant is added to the list it will be ranked again in line with the School's published Admission Criteria for that year group.

For so long as the waiting list is in operation, if a place becomes vacant in the relevant year group, the Headmaster will offer a place on behalf of Governors to the next applicant on the waiting list, according to the School's published Admissions Criteria for that year group.

Any applicant who is refused a place has the right of appeal to an Independent Appeal Panel. Details of how to appeal can be found on the School's website and/or contacting the School's Admissions Officer. Appeals must be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.