# Guidance notes

# For completing the Secondary In-Year Admission Common Application Form



### 1. Details of Child

Proof of address – The address listed on the form must be the address where your child normally lives. The address of a grandparent, other relative or any person looking after your child during the day must not be used. If you are a resident of Hammersmith & Fulham we will seek to check your residence against council tax records.

If you are resident in another borough, or if you are not registered for council tax you will need to provide proof of your address with your child's application. Evidence that will be acceptable includes a mortgage/tenancy agreement, recent utility bill in your name (within last 3 months), child benefit (if eligible) or Inland Revenue documents.

### 2. Details of Parent or Carer

This section should be completed by the main parent or carer, who has parental responsibility for the child. Optional second contact details can be supplied for cases where the main contact may have difficulty in communicating with the admissions team and to assist the admissions team or school in contacting the parent/carer if a place becomes available.

### 3. Children in Public Care

Children in Public Care (Looked After Children) and children who have been adopted or made subject to a residence order or special guardianship order immediately following having been looked after receive priority for admissions to school. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

The child's social worker must submit a letter to the school admissions team confirming the legal status of the child and the local authority to which the child is/was in care, quoting the child's full name, date of birth and current address.

### 4. Background Information

A child who has a statement of Special Educational Needs or Educational, Health and Care Plan must contact the special educational needs team or equivalent team in their home authority for guidance on procedures relating to moving schools.

## 5. Educational History

Please ensure that this section is fully completed failure to do so may delay the processing of your application. The admissions team reserves the right to contact the previous or current school for further information.

#### 6. School Preferences

Please remember you are applying for schools at a time when places have already been allocated, so you will need to be aware that schools that you may prefer, or are closest to your home, may not be able to offer a place. The school admissions team will be able to offer you guidance on schools that may have vacancies or short waiting lists.

If you feel there are exceptional reasons for your child to be considered as a priority on a waiting list for a particular school, you must indicate this in the area provided or in the additional information box on part 9 of the form. All requests for priority consideration must be supported by a professional, such as a doctor or a social worker. Please be aware that not all schools have this criterion in their admissions policy.

If your child has a sibling (brother or sister) who is currently on roll at your preferred school you must include their details where requested. The definition of sibling is indicated in the admission criteria for each school. Relatives such as cousins, uncles and aunts are not considered as siblings, even if they are at the same address.

Those schools that are participating in the locally agreed co-ordinated in year admissions scheme are listed overleaf. You can name any of these schools on this Common Application Form. Those schools that also require a supplementary form (SIF) are marked with an asterisk\*. The SIF is available directly from the school.

# 7. Child who has entered or re-entered the UK in the last 6 months

Please provide details of the date your child entered the UK if within the last 6 months. The admissions team reserves the right to ask for additional evidence confirming the basis upon which a child has been admitted to the UK and their present residency status.

### 8. Fair Access Protocol

We would like to ensure that any child resident in Hammersmith & Fulham without a school is secured a suitable place as soon as possible. A referral for a school placement in accordance with Fair Access arrangements is made by the admissions team. A parent/carer cannot request a Fair Access referral or placement. Referrals are only made for children without a school place. In most cases, a referral is made when it has not been possible to secure a school place that is considered a reasonable distance from the home address within 6 weeks of registering an application. It may also be as a result of a school refusing admission based on previous school history, such as an exclusion or behavioural problems.

### 9. Additional Information

Please provide information you feel is relevant to the reasons for your application including expanding on any exceptional reasons why your child should be considered as a priority for your preferred school.

### 10. Declaration

The application will not be valid unless it has been completed by the parent/carer with parental responsibility.

## **Co-ordinating Schools**

Application to be made on the Common Application Form

School name and address	Telephone	Website
Ark Burlington Danes Academy, Wood Lane, W12 0HL	020 8735 4950	www.burlingtondanes.org
Fulham College Boys' School, Kingwood Road, SW6 6SN	020 7381 3606	www.fulhamcollegeboys.net
Fulham Cross Girls' School, Munster Road, SW6 6BP	020 7381 0861	www.fulhamcross.squarespace.com
Hammersmith Academy, 25 Cathnor Road, W12 9JD	020 8222 6000	www.hammersmithacademy.org
The Hurlingham Academy, Peterborough Road, SW6 3ED	020 7731 2581	www.thehurlinghamacademy.org.uk
Phoenix Academy, The Curve, W12 0RQ	020 8749 1141	www.phoenixacademy.org.uk
*Sacred Heart High School, 212 Hammersmith Road, W6 7DG	020 8748 7600	www.sacredhearthigh.org.uk

The following schools have not chosen to participate in the locally agreed co-ordinated in year admission scheme and will accept applications directly. It will **NOT** be possible for the authority to process an application for one of these schools and if you name one of these schools the details of your application will not be forwarded to the school.

# Non-co-ordinating schools

Application to be made to schools directly and not on Authority form

School name and address	Telephone	Website	Link to in-year application form
The Fulham Boys School, Mund Street, W14 9LY	020 7381 7100	www.fulhamboysschool.org	No link to form available, please email the school at: info@fulhamboysschool.org
Lady Margaret School, Parsons Green, SW6 4UN	020 7736 7138	www.ladymargaret.lbhf.sch.uk	http://www.ladymargaret.lbhf.sch.uk/ webfm_send/262
London Oratory School, Segrave Road, SW6 1RX	020 7385 0102	www.london-oratory.org	No link to form available, please email the school at: admin@los.ac
West London Free School, Palingswick House, 241 King Street, W6 9LP	020 8600 0670	www.wlfs.org	http://www.wlfs.org/In-year-admissions

### **Contact details**

The Hammersmith & Fulham admissions team is based at 145 King Street, London W6 9XY

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