

2012 Admissions Cover Sheet

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The following documents form the schools 2012 admission arrangements.

As there are no changes from the previous year's arrangements, these are the final and determined arrangements that will be used for the admission of pupils in academic year 2012/13.



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THE HOWARD SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PROCESS 2012

1 THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS 2012

The arrangements for coordinated admissions in Medway will be set out in detail in the Medway LA booklet for parents 'Admission to Secondary School', a copy of which will be available from the Principal or from the Admissions Team at Medway LA. The Planned Admission Number (PAN) is 250. Offers of places will be posted to parents by the LA, on behalf of the school, on 1 March 2012. Places must first be offered to those children with statements of special education needs where the school is named.

2 OVER-SUBSCRIPTION CRITERIA

If the number of preferences for The Howard School received via the Medway coordinated scheme is more than the number of places available, places are allocated in the following priority order:

- i) Children in public care.
- ii) Where a child has a natural brother (including adopted siblings), stepbrother, foster brother and those who live as a brother in the same house currently attending the school and will still be on roll at the time of entry.
- iii) Child's health reasons. Medical evidence must be provided which demonstrates a specific health reason which requires a child to attend the preferred school.
- iv) Where the child resides within the access area. Priority given to those nearest the school.
- v) Nearness of child's home. Distance will be measured by the shortest available safe walking route between home and school as measured by Medway Council's Geographical Information System.

3 THE APPLICATION FORM

The Medway common application form (CAF) should be used for all applications to The Howard School.



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4. **WAITING LISTS**

No waiting lists will be held for years 7 – 13. In respect of rising Year 7, as set out in the coordinated scheme, the LA will be responsible for holding a waiting list. Children are entered on the waiting list according to the oversubscription criteria. This waiting list will operate until the start of the First Term when the new rising Year 7 cohort is admitted.

5. **PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSIONS INTO YEARS 8 – 11 AND YEAR 7 AFTER 1 SEPTEMBER 2012**

All applications for admissions for pupils in Years 8 – 11 and for Year 7 received after 1 September 2012 will be referred to the Medway Admissions team and dealt with according to the Medway coordinated admissions scheme.

Admission Arrangements to The Howard School (6th Form) 2012

Admission: Students who meet the entry requirements will be accepted. The number of additional Year 12 places available for students being admitted to the school for the first time will be 30.

Overview of course levels and additional course information

AS/A2/Applied/BTec (Level 3)/Diplomas	At least 5 A*-C passes at GCSE, usually including English. There may also be further requirements for specific subjects
English / Mathematics GCSE	We recognise the importance placed on these GCSE subjects. It will be essential for students to retake these if they have not achieved an A* - C grade.
Religious Education	This is delivered through conferences during the year. There will be guest speakers, discussion groups and debates and subjects will be topical, involving moral issues – attendance is compulsory.

Oversubscription criteria for Year 12 entry is as follows:

1. Students in public care
 2. Current family association (ie brother in the school at the time of application)
 3. Students attending Year 11 in one of the other schools in the consortium
 4. Nearness of students' homes (distance will be measured by the shortest available walking route)
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