Admissions 2025/26

**Medway Council**

**Consultation on Co-ordinated Admissions Schemes**

# Summary of changes:

Medway Council is proposing the following changes to the 2025/26 admissions schemes compared to the schemes determined for 2024/25 admissions.

All schools and academies (including those that are their own admission authority) must participate in the Local Authority Co-ordinated Schemes.

## Secondary Admissions 2025/26

The proposed changes are:

* Revision of dates to fit the 2025/26 admission timeline
* Medway Test registration window brought forward to open mid-May and close mid-June
* Information about admission of children outside their normal age group added
* Removal of Medway Test academic review process
* Medway Test grammar assessment cut-off percentage increased from 23%
	+ To 25% if grammar schools remain the same as they are
	+ To 26% if Chatham Grammar, Fort Pitt Grammar and Holcombe Grammar Schools convert to co-educational for September 2025
* Medway Test papers to change to the following, which includes the removal of the Writing Test
	+ English Test
	+ Mathematics Test
	+ Reasoning Test

*All Medway secondary schools/academies are their own admission authorities and responsible for the consultation and determination of their own admission arrangements (including their published admission number and oversubscription criteria).*

## Primary Admissions 2025/26

The proposed changes are:

* revision of dates to fit the 2025/26 admission timeline

*Other than Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, all Medway schools/academies are their own admission authorities and responsible for the consultation and determination of their own admission arrangements (including their published admission number and oversubscription criteria).*