



The Compton School

Admissions Policy 2021/2022

Responsibility for the admission of students rests with the Compton School.

The administration of applications to the school is undertaken by Barnet Council, as part of the common application process for London schools.

The Compton School is non-selective and draws from its immediate community. Barnet Local Authority use a mapping software program which measures the distance, in a straight line, from the front gates of the school to the front door of the child's home.

All applications for places at the school will be considered in line with the arrangements set out below.

Admission to Year 7 in September 2021-2022

Agreed admission number

The Compton School's admissions limit will be 210 places to Year 7 in 2021-22.

In accordance with the Admissions Code and in common with all schools, places are first allocated to children who have a Statement of Special Educational Needs, or who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP). Parents wishing to apply for such a place, must do so through their local authority

Applications

All applications to the Compton School are made through Barnet's admissions process for secondary transfer. Applications must be made via the Barnet website and parents wishing to apply will need to create an on-line account through which all communication from Barnet Council will be made.

Barnet Council will inform parents about the process for applying for secondary schools, including the Compton School. Where no place is available the applicant will be advised and informed of their right to request an independent appeal should they wish to do so.

Late applications

If an application is received after the closing date then it will be viewed as late. Late applications will not be considered until all applications that were received on time have been processed. If there are exceptional reasons why an application is late, parents should email Barnet Council to explain this and provide supporting documents.

Verification of information

In addressing allegations of admissions fraud, Barnet Council may request information from parents relating to the verification of their application for a secondary school place. False information, or the omission of material information, may result in disqualification, or the loss of a place after it has been offered, accepted or taken up.

It is a criminal offence to provide false information to secure a school place. Any applications suspected of being fraudulent will be referred to Barnet's Corporate Anti-Fraud team for

investigation. If an application is proven to be fraudulent, the applicant may be prosecuted in addition to the school place being withdrawn.

Any concerns of this nature can be raised with the Barnet Anti-Fraud Investigation Team by calling 020 8359 2007 or emailing CAFT@barnet.gov.uk or via the website at www.barnet.gov.uk/anti-fraud.

Offer of places

Barnet Council will email parents the outcome of their applications on National Offer Day on March 1st.

Parents to whom places are offered will be required to inform Barnet Council of their decision whether to accept or reject the offer by the date given in the email.

Appeal procedure

Parents whose applications for places are unsuccessful will be given an opportunity to appeal against the decision to an Independent Appeal Panel. Full details of the appeals procedure is emailed with the decision letter on National Offer Day.

Waiting list

In addition to the right to appeal, unsuccessful applicants who receive an offer for a school that was ranked lower in their order of preferences than the Compton School will be automatically placed on the waiting list. Vacancies arising between the acceptance deadline and 31st August will, in the first instance be offered to applicants on the waiting list, determined in accordance with the order in the over-subscription criteria.

Any vacancies that occur on or after 1st September 2021 will be offered to applicants on the waiting list in accordance with the over-subscription criteria set out below.

- 'Looked after' children and children who were 'looked after' but cease to be so because they were adopted, or became subject to a residency order, or special guardianship immediately following having been 'looked after', children applying who are in the care of a local authority under the provision of the Children Act 1989.
- Children who, at the time the application for admission is made, have a sibling at The Compton in years 7 – 11 or a sibling in the 6th Form who previously attended The Compton School for at least one year prior to Year 12.
- Children of staff of The Compton School where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made.
- Remaining places, out of 180, are offered on a geographical basis measuring distance in a straight line from the school. Distance is measured in a straight line between the address point for the child's home, supplied by Ordnance Survey, to the school's main gate using the Council's computerised geographic information system.
- An additional planned 30 places are offered at Year 7 secondary transfer to children from the agreed feeder schools in the N2 and N3 postcodes according to the following quotas: 16 places to Moss Hall Junior School, 7 places to Manorside School and 7 places to Martin Primary School. The allocation will be offered to children from each of these schools based on geographical distance in a straight line from their home to the Compton School. If the quota of children from any one of these feeder schools is not reached the remaining places will be offered to children from the other two schools based on geographical distance. Any of the remaining places not taken up by children from the three feeder schools will be offered in accordance with the information above up to a maximum limit of 210 places.

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Tie Breaker – distance will be used as a tie-breaker within each category

Final Tie-Breaker- Applicants from the same block of flats, or applicants who live the same distance from the school will be selected in random order using Barnet Council's computerised system and places will be offered accordingly.

Applications within each year group made on behalf of twins or triplets –where the last child to be offered a place is one of multiple birth siblings, the school will admit over the published admission number (PAN) in order to support the family

Siblings - include half, step, adoptive and foster siblings and other children living permanently at the same address as the applicant as part of the same family unit.

Staff- constitutes teaching or support staff

Monitoring and Evaluation

The policy and procedures will be reviewed annually and where necessary adjustments will be made.