

Key dates

Tuesday 1 September 2026 – application process opens

You will be able to apply on the eAdmissions portal: www.eadmissions.org.uk. Paper applications will be available from the council's admissions service on request.

September to October 2026 – high school open day events

You should attend the open day events for your preferred high schools. Please see details in the prospectus 'Starting High School 2026' for high schools in the borough of Ealing.

Friday 23 October 2026 – recommended submission date

If you are making a paper application you are advised to submit this to your child's primary school by 23 October. Primary schools will be closed for half term from Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October 2026.

Saturday 31 October 2026 – closing date for applications

If you apply online, you will have up until 11.59pm on 31 October to submit your application. If you are applying by paper application form you will need to ensure this is received by the admissions service by 31 October.

Tuesday 8 December 2026 – deadline for late applications

If you apply after 31 October but before 8 December, and have recently moved or have exceptional circumstances for applying late, you must contact the school admissions service to see if your application can be accepted as on-time.

Monday 1 March 2027 – high school national offer day

If you apply on-time on the eAdmissions portal, you will receive an email after 5pm with your school offer. If you made an on-time paper application your offer letter will be posted to you, first class.

Monday 15 March 2027 – deadline to respond to offer

After this date, the eAdmissions portal will close and you will not be able to accept or decline your offer online. If you do not respond the offer may be withdrawn and offered to another child.

Starting High School 2027

Closing date: 31 October 2026

Offer date: 1 March 2027

Apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk



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Please visit www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions

A guide to applying for high school in 2027 for Ealing borough residents

This leaflet explains how to apply for a high school place for children born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016.

Please visit our website: www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions

The website provides full details on the application process and includes a copy of the prospectus 'Starting High School 2027' and a step-by-step guide to applying online.

What do I have to do?

You must make an application by 31 October 2026.

We recommend you apply online at: www.eadmissions.org.uk

Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation email with your application details and a reference number like this: 307-2027-09-E-123456.

You may list up to six high schools in or outside the borough of Ealing. It is important that you list your schools in the order of your preference, with your first preference as the school you want the most. Schools cannot see where you have listed them, and the preference order is not part of the admissions criteria. For example, if you list a school as your first preference you will not have priority over children that have listed the school as a lower preference. This is important as your child is offered a place at the highest preference possible and withdrawn from your lower preference schools.

Please make sure you understand how schools offer places by reading their admissions criteria. This information is published in the prospectus 'Starting High School 2027' for Ealing borough schools.

If you are applying to any faith schools, you may be required to complete a supplementary information form. Please check the admissions criteria of the school for details.

What happens next?

Provided that your application was received by the closing date:

- If you apply online, you will receive your school offer by email from eadmissions after 5pm on 1 March 2027.
- If you apply by paper application, your offer letter will be sent by first class post on the 1 March 2027. You should receive this within 2 working days.

If you could not be offered a place at any of your preference schools, you will be offered the nearest school to your home address that had an available place after every child that applied was offered. We strongly advise that you accept the offer unless you have already secured a place at an alternative school. Accepting the offer will not affect your chances of getting a place at one of your preferred schools later.

You must confirm if you are accepting or declining your school offer by 15 March 2027:

- If you apply online, you can simply log into your eAdmissions account and accept or decline online.
- If you apply by paper application, you will need to complete and return the reply slip enclosed with your offer letter.

Please be aware that the eAdmissions portal will close for offer responses at 11:59 on the 15 March. You will not be able to accept or decline your offer through the eAdmissions portal after this time. If you do not respond to your offer the place may be withdrawn and offered to another child.

Where can I get more help and information?

Please contact the admissions service or go to our website for further information and advice:

Telephone 020 8825 5511 Monday to Friday 9am to 12 noon.

Email: mainroundadmissions@ealing.gov.uk

Website: www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions