School Admission Policy

2026/27

THIS SCHOOL WAS NOT OVER-SUBSCRIBED IN SEPTEMBER 2026

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Our Admission Policies for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools are published here: **Norfolk admission arrangements - Norfolk County Council**

Summary of Norfolk County Council's Oversubscription criteria

Children who have an Education, Health and Care plan which names the school must by law be offered a place at that school and the number of other children admitted will be reduced accordingly.

If there are more applications for places than there are places available, the Local Authority will give priority to children living nearest to the school, according to the following rules in this order of priority:

1. Children in care (looked after children) and children who were previously in care (children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order, immediately following having been in care, including those who appear, to the admission authority, to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted)

2. Children who are due to transfer, living in the catchment area who have a brother or sister attending the school at the time of their admission

3. Children who are due to transfer, living in the catchment area who have no brother or sister connection with the school

4. Children eligible for the service premium. A pupil is eligible for the service premium if:

a) one of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces (including pupils with a parent who is on full commitment as part of the full-time reserve service);

b) they have been registered as a ‘service child’ on a school census in the past 6 years

c) one of their parents died whilst serving in the armed forces and the pupil receives a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme

d) one of their parents is in the armed forces of another nation and is stationed in England.

5. Children who are due to transfer, living outside the catchment area who have a brother or sister attending the school at the time of their admission

6. Children who are due to transfer, living outside the catchment area and attend a feeder school at the opening date of the admission round

7. Children of staff

a) where a 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 and/or

b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for there is a demonstrable skill shortage

8. Children who are due to transfer, living outside the catchment area served by the school who have no brother or sister or feeder school connection with the school.

9. Children attending primary schools with a brother or sister at the junior school

10. Children attending primary schools with no brother or sister at the junior school.

If all children within any of the above rules cannot be offered a place, the highest priority will be given to children living nearest to the school within that rule. To determine who lives nearest, distance will be measured on a straight line 'crow fly' basis, using Ordnance Survey data. If, after following the application of admission rules, the distance between applicants cannot be separated for a final place, the authority will use random allocation to determine the priority for the remaining place. The random selection will be carried out by an Officer of the Council who is not involved with admissions process.

Important Note

‘School’ is defined as the main school and not a learning support centre or nursery class attached to the school. This means that no priority would be given to a child from outside the catchment area who had either a brother or sister at the attached nursery class or in temporary or part-time attendance at

the attached learning support centre. The address given on the application form will be used to decide the catchment school.

Children in their last year (Year 2) at an Infant will be considered due to transfer. Children attending a primary school are considered as not due to transfer and therefore their applications have the lowest priority for a place even if they live in the catchment area of the school.