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11+ 2026

15th September 2025 Date:

Dear Parent/Carer,

school

Year 6 at a Primary or Junior

Applying for a Year 7 place in secondary school for September 2026

Your child is due to move on to secondary school in September 2026 having completed the primary phase of their education. You now need to apply for a place at secondary school for your child.

How to apply

The easiest and quickest way to apply is online at: https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Applications opened on 10th September 2025. You will need to register using an email address.

You may also download a copy of the composite prospectus from our website; 'Applying for a Secondary School Place in North Northamptonshire 2026/27', and you are advised to read this carefully before making your application. Alternatively, you can make an application by completing a common application form on paper. You can request an application form from the School Admissions Team (contact details above).

Some schools require you to complete a supplementary information form (SIF) and some also require your child to sit a common ability test (CAT). There is a list of schools which require a SIF on our website. SIFs should be returned directly to the school. It is important to be aware that some schools give priority to children who sit their common ability test, so those who do not will have less chance of getting a place.

Closing date for applications

Your application must reach us by 31st October 2025. Failure to get your application in on time will affect your chances of obtaining a place for your child at your preferred schools.

Pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC Plan)

If your child has an EHC Plan, you do not need to apply for a school place using the process explained above. Instead, you will receive a letter from the EHC Team seeking details of your school preference.

Pupils living outside North Northamptonshire

If your home address is outside North Northamptonshire (even if your child attends a North Northamptonshire primary / junior school), you should make your application to the local authority where you live (your home local authority), not North Northamptonshire Council. Contact details of neighbouring local authorities can be found on our website.

Please contact the School Admissions team (details above) if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully. School Admissions Team