



Admissions Policy September 2018 Intake

All these secondary schools have a defined priority (catchment) areas which are shown on the map available on the Calderdale website: <http://www.calderdale.gov.uk/admissions>

Calder High School, Sowerby Bridge High School and Todmorden High School have their own defined priority (catchment) areas.

Park Lane Learning Trust and The Halifax Academy share their defined priority (catchment) area.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan will be given priority to the school which is named within the plan (formerly a Statement of Special Educational Need).

Over-subscription Criteria

Places will be allocated in the above community/trust secondary schools in the following order of priority:

1. Pupils who are in public care ('Children Looked After') or pupils who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they became adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order.
2. Pupils living within the defined priority (catchment) area who have a brother or sister (including step/half brothers and sisters) permanently resident in the same household and currently attending the school (excluding pupils in their final year).
3. Other pupils living within the defined priority (catchment) area.
4. Those pupils who do not qualify under Categories 1-3 who have a brother or sister (including step/half brothers and sisters) permanently resident in the same household and currently attending the school (excluding pupils in their final year).
5. Other children

If there is over-subscription within any category, then pupils will be admitted in the order of proximity of the pupil's permanent home to the school.

Distance will be calculated using a straight line measurement from the pupil's permanent home to the closest designated school gate.

Distance will be calculated using the Local Authority's GIS system (Geographical Information System). To ensure consistency applies, all measurements will be carried out by the Local Authority's GIS system and no other method of measuring distance will be considered.

Each property has a coordinate taken from Ordnance Survey ADDRESS-POINT data. This is the point which distance measurements will be taken from.

In the event of two or more children living equidistant from the school the decision on which child will be allocated will be made using random allocation.