

When there are more applications than places, children are admitted in the following order of priority:

- i) Children who have been in state care outside of England and raised to be in state care as a result of adoption
- ii) Siblings (see below for definition) of pupils attending the school and living within the catchment area of the school. In order to qualify for a place on the grounds of a sibling attending the school, the sibling must already be attending the school at the time of application and still be attending at the time of admission. Copies of catchment area maps, if required are available from the school or LA. Find the catchment school for a postcode visit School Catchment Search In the event of a school catchment area change being approved, pupils who would still have a sibling connection (see below for definition) at the time of admission and who are living at the same address in the previous catchment area for a school, (but not within the revised catchment area), at the time the change was approved will be considered as living within the catchment area.
- iii)
- iv)
- v) Children of all members of staff at the school, where that member of staff has been employed for two or more years, and/or is recruited to fill a post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
- vi) Pupils who live nearest to the school by the shortest straight distance. The measurement



In the event of applicants not being admitted to the school, they may submit an appeal in writing, setting out the grounds on which the appeal is made, to the Trust Board within 20 school days of the date of notification of the refusal of a place. Reasonable deadlines will be set for those making an appeal to submit any additional evidence. Those making an appeal will receive at least 10 school days notice for their appeal hearing. The appeal will be heard by an independent appeal panel and decision letters are sent within 5 school days of the hearing when possible.

As part of the Worcestershire Fair Access Protocol, all schools with Key Stage 2, 3 and 4 classes can be required to exceed the published admission number to admit pupils covered by the Protocol.

From 2020, Worcestershire Children First on behalf of the Local Authority will be coordinating all in