



Admissions Arrangements and Oversubscription Criteria

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This policy is based on Calderdale Admissions procedures as THS is a maintained school.

As we are a community school, Calderdale Council is our admissions authority. If your address is within Calderdale then please apply via Calderdale Council. If your address is within a different local authority area then you can still apply for a place at Todmorden High School via the admissions team for your local authority. If you wish to make an application for your child to transfer to our school from another secondary school or home education, then please contact your local authority admissions team and they will be able to guide you through the process.

The admission criteria for Todmorden High School in September 2023 are as follows:

Admission at age 11

Children are admitted without reference to ability or aptitude. The Published Admissions Number (PAN) for the academic year commencing September 2023 is 180 in each year.

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, places will be allocated in the following order of priority:

1. Children 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 or special guardianship order immediately following having been looked after.
2. Children who were previously in state care outside of England and have ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
3. Children living in the defined priority area (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).
4. Other children living in the defined priority area (catchment area).
5. Those children who do not qualify under categories 1 – 4 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).
6. Other children.

Notes

- i) If there is oversubscription in any category then pupils will be admitted in 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 nearest designated school gate.

Distances will be calculated using the Local Authority's Geographical Information System (GIS). To ensure consistency applies, all measurements will be carried out by this method 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 from which distance measurements will be taken.

- ii) In the event of two or more children living equidistant from the school, as measured by the procedure above, then the decision on which child will be allocated will be made using random allocation.