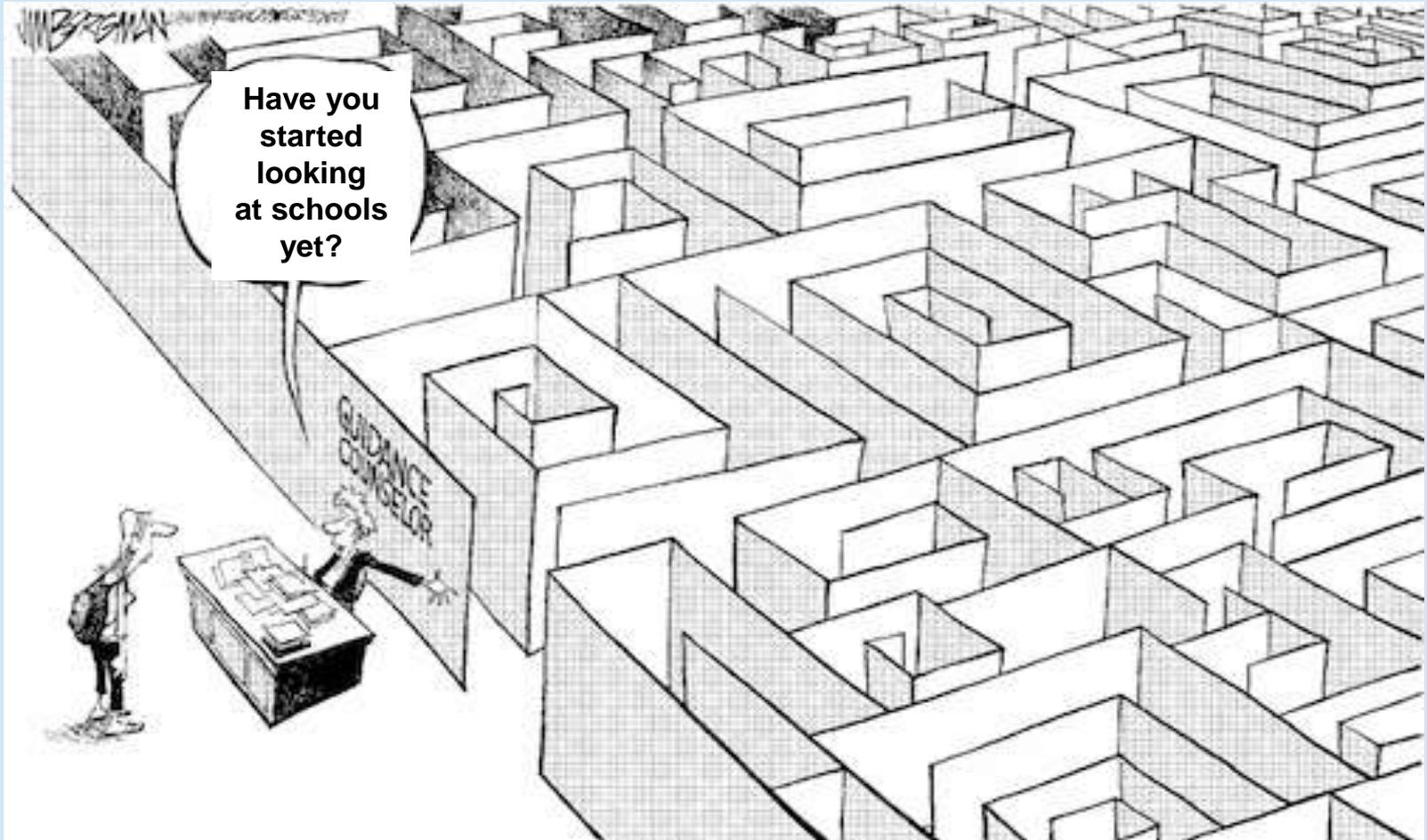


TRANSFER TO
SECONDARY SCHOOL
SEPTEMBER 2020



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TYPES OF SECONDARY SCHOOL

Type of School	Features	Local Examples
State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded by the Government and provide a free education • Select through a range of criteria: distance, faith, siblings, banding tests • They are inspected by Ofsted • Most of them have to follow the National Curriculum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hampstead • UCL Academy • St Augustine's C of E • William Ellis (boys) • Parliament Hill (girls) • La Sainte Union (girls) • Saint Mary's and St John's • Marylebone C of E (girls)
Grammar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State schools that are free to attend • Select all or most of their pupils on the basis of academic ability. • Children take an entrance exam (the 11+) at the beginning of Year 6. The content varies between schools but may include verbal and non-verbal reasoning, maths and English. • Some schools also offer places to students who have a particular aptitude for sport, music, languages or another subject. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Henrietta Barnett (girls) • QE Boys • St Michael's (girls)

TYPES OF SECONDARY SCHOOL

Type of School	Features	Local Examples
Private/ Independent	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Charge fees for pupils to attend• They don't have to follow the National Curriculum• Some take pupils of all abilities while others select the highest achievers on the basis of an exam such as the Common Entrance exam or aptitude in music, sport or another key skill.• Some are special schools, for children with special educational needs.	UCS (boys) South Hampstead (girls) Highgate City (boys) Belmont
Special Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For children with special educational needs.• They can specialise in one of four areas: communication and interaction, cognition and learning, social, emotional and mental health, or sensory and physical needs.• Within each category, they can specialise further e.g. autism.• If your child has an education, health and care plan (EHCP), you have the right to request a place at a specific school that will best meet their needs; this could be a mainstream or a special school.	Swiss Cottage School Acland Burghley- ASD base

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- **Talk to your child:**
 - **Find out what they would like and consider their interests**
 - **How will they travel to school?**



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School Prospectus

- **Read the school prospectus (available at open evenings or on the school website). It will have detailed information on:**
 - **How the school is run**
 - **Which subjects are taught**
 - **The admissions criteria**

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- **Look carefully at the admission criteria for each school**
 - **selection by aptitude**
 - **faith criteria**
 - **siblings**
 - **distance**



BANDING TESTS

Banding tests are used by some state schools to ensure they're admitting pupils with a wide range of academic abilities.

Under the 'fair banding' system, all pupils who'd like a place at a specific school take the same test.

Their results are used to put them into an ability band, for example:

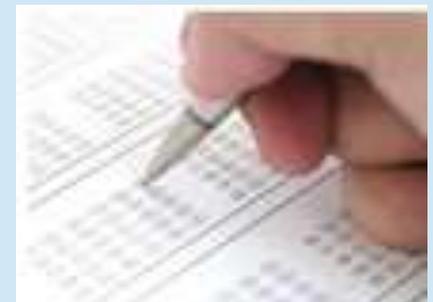
Band A (highest marks): 25% of children

Band B: 25% of children

Band C: 25% of children

Band D (lowest marks): 25% of children

The school will then offer places to equal numbers of children within each band to ensure they're admitting an even spread of academic abilities.



CUT-OFF DISTANCES 2017 & 2018

The allocation of places for admission to Camden secondary schools for the previous two years are provided here. The table below details the cut off distances (measured in miles) beyond which applicants were initially not admitted when the offers were published in March 2017 and March 2018.

School	2018 (distances)	2017 (distances)
Acland Burghley School	0.99	2.66
Camden School for Girls Band A:	0.80	0.67
Band B:	0.58	0.44
Band C:	0.88	0.81
Band D:	0.35	0.42
Hampstead School	0.96	1.93
Haverstock School	*	*
La Sainte Union Catholic School	*	*
Maria Fidelis School FCJ	*	*
Parliament Hill School	1.52	1.57
Regent High School	*	*
UCL Academy	0.74	0.76
William Ellis School	1.10	1.35

* Note: not applicable

Please remember that these are only guidelines and the final decision whether to make an application rests with the parent. You can check how far you live from a Camden school by visiting schoolsearch.camden.gov.uk/schools.

OTHER CRITERIA

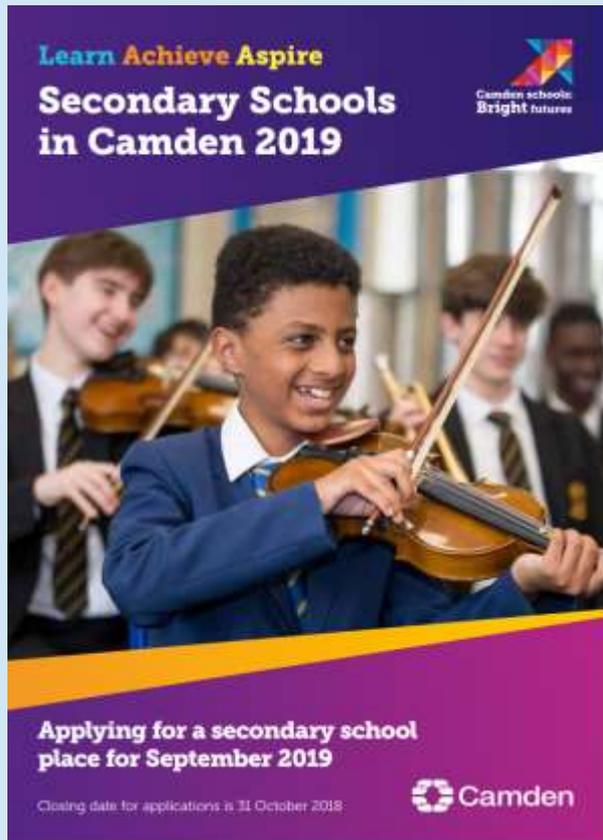
The table below details the number of places offered under the remaining criteria for the previous two years at the time offers were published.

School	Number of applications		Looked after children		SEN allocations		Siblings		Social/medical	
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
Acland Burghley School	608	535	0	3	13	10	34	31	0	2
Camden School for Girls	607	643	2	6	2	3	26	34	0	0
Hampstead School	643	574	0	0	12	3	69	54	1	1
Haverstock School	435	526	0	0	5	*	35	41	0	1
La Sainte Union	438	509	0	1	0	1	*	*	*	*
Maria Fidelis	366	364	0	0	5	8	*	*	*	*
Parliament Hill	618	606	1	0	2	4	33	27	1	0
Regent High	367	371	0	1	7	7	47	50	0	0
UCL Academy	1090	1054	1	0	9	8	59	61	1	1
William Ellis	505	520	1	0	1	1	23	19	2	3

* Please contact the school directly for this information

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- Read the secondary education guide published by Camden



- The 2020 guide will be available in September 2019
- Download Camden's guide at www.camden.gov.uk/secondary-school-admissions

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- Look at exam results and Ofsted reports
 - the latest Ofsted reports are available from the Ofsted website www.ofsted.gov.uk
 - achievement and attainment tables are available at www.gov.uk/school-performance-tables



HOW DO I APPLY?



The application process begins on 1st September 2019

Apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk

The online system will close at midnight on 31st October 2019.



HOW DO I APPLY?

- **How many schools can I apply for?**
 - Apply for up to six schools
 - You rank the schools in order of preference
 - Think carefully about the order as you will not be able to change it after the closing date
- **Can I apply to schools outside Camden?**
 - Yes, you must include all your chosen schools, whether inside or outside the borough where you live. Do not include any independent or special schools.

HOW DO I APPLY?

- **Realistic Preferences**
 - **If you only list one school, it will not increase your chances of getting a place at the school and your child will be considered for that one school only.**
 - **It is important to make realistic school choices to increase your chances of securing an offer and to avoid disappointment.**
 - **Check how places were offered last year.**
 - **The cut-off distances are just a guide and will change every year.**



HOW DO I APPLY?

- **Do I need to fill in any other forms?**
 - **All voluntary aided schools and some foundation schools, free schools & academies will ask you to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF)**
 - **The SIF will ask for additional information, for example faith schools will ask about church attendance and require a priest's reference; selective schools will ask about any medical condition that needs to be taken into account at the test and they may also require a photograph; Jewish schools will also ask you to complete a Certificate of Religious Practice (CRP), which must be signed by a Rabbi**
 - **SIFs and CRPs must be returned to the individual schools**
 - **Camden School for Girls – supplementary form required for music places only**
 - **La Sainte Union – supplementary form required from all applicants**
 - **Maria Fidelis – supplementary form required from all applicants**
 - **William Ellis – supplementary form required for music places only.**

HOW DO I APPLY?

- **What else do I need to provide?**
- **Proof of address: Your child's permanent address must be used on the application form**
- **You must not use a temporary address or an address of convenience, this include a child minder's address, a business address or the address of a relative or friend**
- **If you own a property previously used as a home address and apply from another address, the second address will be treated as an address of convenience**
- **If you have moved within the last two years you will be asked to provide proof of the new address and proof that you have disposed of the previous property**

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- **How will places be allocated?**
 - **if the school receives more applications than places available, the published admissions criteria will be applied to decide who can be offered a place**
 - **each school listed on the application form is considered against the admissions criteria regardless of the preference order**
 - **your ranking order is not passed to the individual schools**

OFFERS

- **Will I be offered more than one school place?**
 - **if your child can be offered more than one school, you will be offered the school which you ranked higher**
 - **the lower preference schools will be withdrawn and offered to other children**
 - **no child will be offered more than one school place**

OFFERS

- **When will I hear?**

National Offer Day is Monday 2nd March 2020

You can then login into your eAdmissions account for further information

- **Accepting offers**

Places must be accepted or declined online by 16th March 2020

NO OFFER?

- **What happens if I don't get any of my preferred schools?**
 - **your child will be allocated a place at the nearest school with a vacancy**
 - **remain on the waiting lists**
 - **appeal for a place**
 - **join waiting lists for other schools**

APPEALS

- **every parent has the right of appeal**
- **appeals are heard by an independent panel**
- **you will have the opportunity to present your case in person**
- **you will need to convince the panel that your child's needs are more important than the school's need to limit the admission number**
- **appeals are unlikely to be successful unless there are exceptional grounds**

NEXT STEPS

- Speak to current Year 6 parents!
- Begin researching admissions criteria
- Meet the Parents event in September. Date TBC
- Camden 'Moving On' event on 19th September 2019.

Camden Moving On event for parents of Year 5 and 6 pupils

Thursday 19 September, from 4pm to 6.30pm

Swiss Cottage Library, 88 Avenue Road, London NW3 3HA

Register at [eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk) (search for 'Camden Moving On')



- Visit as many schools as possible!