

Summary of preferences and offers into Secondary School September 2025 (3 March 2025)

Admission criteria can be found at bolton.gov.uk/admissions or via the relevant schools' website.

Bolton Muslim Girls School Admission Number 150

There were 384 preferences expressed for the school. Not all children could be offered a place; any child refused a place where BMGS is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places were allocated	number of children
EHCP	3
Criteria 1 (LAC)	0
Criteria 2 (sibling)	54
Criteria 3.1 (Rumworth Electoral Ward)	56
Criteria 3.2 (Heaton & Lostock Electoral Ward)	6
Criteria 3.3 (Hulton Electoral Ward)	9
Criteria 3.4 (Astley Bridge Electoral Ward)	2
Criteria 3.5 (Halliwell Electoral Ward)	4
Criteria 3.6 (Great Lever Electoral Ward)	8
Criteria 3.7 (Queens Park Electoral Ward)	8
Criteria 4 (member of staff)	0
Criteria 5 (Exceptional medical/social)	0
Criteria 6 (distance to school)	0
Number of children on waiting list	120

Bolton St Catherine's Academy Admission number 160

There were preferences expressed for the school. Places were offered to all those who expressed the school as a preference and had not been offered a higher preference school.

How places were allocated	number of children
children with EHCP	10
LAC/previous	2
Criterion 2 (vulnerable)	3
criterion 3 (sibling)	37
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (children of staff)	0
criterion 6 (proximity)	60
Alternative/no preference offers	48
Places available	

Canon Slade CE Admission Number 300

There were 770 preferences expressed for the school. Not all children could be offered a place; any child refused a place where Canon Slade school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places allocated:	number of children
Children with EHCP	4
LAC/previous	7
408 - 4 points	247
0 points, last distance 1.07 miles	42
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	68

Eden Boys' School Bolton

Admission number 124

There were 405 preferences expressed for the school. Not all children could be offered a place. Any child refused a place where Eden Boys' School is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	9
LAC/previous LAC	0
Staff	1
Social/Medical	0
Attending The Olive School	19
Sibling	45
BL3 resident (reduced by any already allocated by sibling/attending The Olive Primary)	20
Proximity (last distance offered 0.46 miles)	30
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	150

Essa Academy

Admission number 210

There were 628 preferences expressed for the school. Not all children could be offered a place. Any child refused a place where Essa is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	5
LAC/previous LAC	2
criterion 2 (vulnerable)	1
criterion 3 (sibling)	74
criterion 4 (Essa Primary)	14
criterion 5 (medical/social)	0
criterion 6 (proximity, last distance offered 0.95 miles)	114
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	86

Harper Green

Admission Number 240

There were 382 preferences expressed for the school. Places were offered to all those who expressed the school as a preference and had not been offered a higher preference school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	0
LAC/previous LAC	1
criterion 2 (child protection)	0
criterion 3 (sibling)	50
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (proximity)	88
Alternative/no preference offers	101
Places available	0

Kearsley Academy

Admission Number 180

There were 238 preferences expressed for the school. Places were offered to all those who expressed the school as a preference and had not been offered a higher preference school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	5
LAC/previous LAC	1
criterion 2 (child protection)	0
criterion 3 (sibling)	37
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (proximity)	93
Alternative/no preference offer	44
Places available	0

Kings Leadership Academy

Admission number 190

There were 595 preferences expressed for the school, not all children could be offered a place. Any child refused a place where Kings Leadership is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	7
LAC/previous LAC	1
criterion 1 (sibling)	74
criterion 2 (social/medical)	1
criterion 3 (staff children)	1
criterion 4 (proximity, last distance offered 1.05 miles)	106
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	50

Ladybridge High

Admission number 240

There were 592 preferences expressed for the school, any child refused a place where Ladybridge school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	7
LAC/previous LAC	3
criterion 2 (child protection)	3
criterion 3 (sibling)	74
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (proximity, last distance offered 1.57 miles)	153
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	43

Little Lever

Admission number 240

There were 394 preferences expressed for the school. Any child refused a place where Little Lever school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	2
LAC/previous	5
criterion 2 (child protection)	0
criterion 3 (sibling)	60
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (proximity, last distance offered 2.1 miles)	173
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	15

Mount St Joseph RC

Admission number 180

There were 515 preferences expressed for the school. Any child refused a place where Mount St Joseph school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	6
Criterion 1(RC LAC &previous LAC	0
criterion 2 (RC feeder primary)	17
criterion 3 (other RC)	0
criterion 4 (other LAC)	2
criterion 5 (sibling)	54
criterion 6 (staff)	0
criterion 7 (non RC partner primary)	31
criterion 8 (non RC other RC primary)	0
criterion 9 (proximity, last distance offered 0.77 miles)	70
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	50

Rivington and Blackrod

Admission number 300

There were 562 preferences expressed for the school. Any child refused a place where Rivington is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	21
LAC/previous LAC	2
criterion 2 (child protection)	4
criterion 3 (sibling)	73
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (faith)	5
Criterion 6 (Horwich/Blackrod)	110
criterion 7 (proximity, last distance offered 4.05 miles)	85
Alternative offer/no preference offer	0
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	36

Sharples

Admission number 240

There were 864 preferences expressed for the school, any child refused a place where Sharples school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	17
LAC/previous LAC	3
criterion 2 (child protection)	3
criterion 3 (sibling)	102
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (staff child)	2
Criterion 6 (proximity, last distance offered 0.93 miles)	113
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	178

Smithills

Admission number 250

There were 472 preferences expressed for the school. Places were offered to all those who expressed the school as a preference and had not been offered a higher preference school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	3
LAC/previous LAC	5
criterion 2 (vulnerable)	0
criterion 3 (sibling)	83
criterion 4 (medical/social)	6
criterion 5 (proximity)	144
Alternative offer, not a preference	29
Places available	0

St James CE

Admission number 210

There were 839 preferences expressed for the school. Any child refused a place where St James school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. Applicants who received 19 points or more were allocated places. Tiebreak was applied at 18 points. Not all children with 18 points could be offered a place. For further information about admissions please contact the school

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	14
LAC/previous LAC	9
Applications with 28 points	41
Applications with 24 points	25
Applications with 22 points	95
Applications with 20 points	5
Applications with 19 points	4
Applications with 18 points	17
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	204

St Joseph RC

Admission number 216

There were 536 preferences expressed for the school. Any child refused a place where St Joseph school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	9
LAC	3
Category 2 (RC parish)	64
Category 3 (RC not parish associated primary)	15
Category 4 (RC sibling)	0
Category 5 (other RC)	10
Category 6 (staff)	3
Category 7 (social/medical)	0
Category 8 (non RC associated primary)	29
Category 9 (non RC sibling)	30
Category 10 (proximity, last distance offered 2.9 miles)	53
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	27

Thornleigh RC

Admission number 270

There were 780 preferences expressed for the school. Any child refused a place where the school is a higher preference than the one offered will be kept on the waiting list. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	10
Category A (RC LAC)	3
Category B (RC parish associated primary)	95
Category C (RC parish)	16
Category D (RC not parish associated primary)	3
Category E (RC sibling)	3
Category F (other RC)	8
Category G (staff)	0
Category H (other at associated primary)	80
Category I (other sibling)	23
Category J (proximity, last distance offered 0.91 miles)	29
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	76

Turton

Admission number 270

There were 544 preferences expressed for the school. Any child refused a place where Turton school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	5
LAC/previous LAC	0
criterion 2 (child protection)	2

criterion 3 (sibling)	75
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (Turton nearest)	93
criterion 6 (proximity, last distance offered 3.5 miles)	95
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	15

Westhoughton

Admission number 270

The school was oversubscribed, there were 450 preferences expressed for the school. Any child refused a place where Westhoughton school is a higher preference than the school offered will be kept on the waiting list.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	2
LAC/previous LAC	2
criterion 2 (child protection)	2
criterion 3 (sibling)	82
criterion 4 (medical)	0
criterion 5 (proximity, last distance offered 2.34 miles)	182
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	30

University Collegiate School

Admission number 120

There were 230 preferences expressed for the school. Places were offered to all those who expressed the school as a preference and had not been offered a higher preference school. For further information about admissions please contact the school.

How places were allocated	number of children
Children with EHCP	1
LAC/previous LAC	0
criterion 2 (social/medical)	0
criterion 3 (sibling)	25
criterion 4 (QUEST primary)	0
criterion 5 (proximity)	79
Alternative/no preference offers	15
Places available	0
Number of children on waiting list	10