



Allocation of places to Seaford Head School (September 2023)

Total number of applications received	487
First preference	295
Late first preference	7

The priorities adopted to decide which children should be allocated places were stated in the Seaford Head School Admission policy which can be found by clicking on “Admissions” under the “Parents” tab on the school website and selecting Admissions Policy 2023/24. To support the Local Authority and ensure that more children in the community access their school of choice, the school agreed to admit a one-off bulge year of 260 children for Year 7 2023.

All applications received by the deadline of 31st October 2022, whether a first, second or third preference were ranked against the admissions criteria. 11 late applications were received, 4 of these applications were successful, once admissions criteria were applied, following withdrawals.

Those children meeting the criteria for more than one school were offered the school that featured highest on the application form. The number of children allocated places according to their preference are detailed as follows:

Published Admission Number	260
Number of places allocated	260
First Preference	254
Second Preference	2
Late First Preference	4

As the number of applications exceeded the number of available places it was necessary to apply the School’s admission criteria. Having done so places were offered to children in all priority categories.

The criteria are listed in the table below with the number of children allocated places in each category of priority.

Priority	Description of admissions criteria	Places allocated
	Children with an Educational, Health and Care plan	4
1	Looked after children and previously looked after children	6
2	Children of UK service personnel (UK Armed Forces) or crown servants	0
3	Siblings of children on roll at Seaford Head School at the time of admission who live in the community area	85
4	Children of staff	0
5	Children living within the pre-defined community area	141
6	Siblings of children on roll at Seaford Head School at the time of admission who are on roll at one of our feeder schools	9
7	Children living outside our community area who are on roll at one of our feeder schools	11
8	Siblings of children on roll at Seaford Head School at the time of admission who live outside the community area	2
9	Children living outside the pre-defined community area	2
	Total number of places allocated	260

Tie breaker: The tiebreaker is applied if there are more children within an oversubscription criterion than places available. Applications within that criterion are prioritised on the basis of the shortest route from home to school site where year 7 is based. The distance from the child’s home address to the main gate of the school’s Steyne Road site is measured on behalf of the Governing Body using the method adopted by East Sussex County Council. The distance is measured using the County Council’s Geographical Information System (GIS).