

Allocation of places to Seaford Head School (September 2026)

Total number of applications received	424
First preference	246
Late first preference	4

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’s website and selecting Admissions Policy 2026/27.

All applications received by the deadline of 31 October 2025, whether a first, second or third preference are ranked against the admissions criteria.

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	232
Number of places allocated	234
First Preference	246
Second Preference	91
Late First Preference	5

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
1	Looked after children and previously looked after children	1
2	Children of Seaford Head School staff where the member of staff has been permanently employed within the school for 2 or more years at the time of application. The term ‘staff’ includes support and teaching staff on a permanent contract.	3
3	Children who are on roll at a school within the Seaford Learning Trust at the time of application. (Currently this is Chyngton School)	55
4	Siblings* of children on roll at Seaford Head School at the time of admission who live at the same address within the community area.	54
5	Children living within the pre-defined community area	111
6	Children living outside our community area who are on roll at a feeder school at the time of application. The community feeder schools are: Alfriston Primary School, Annecy Roman Catholic School, Cradle Hill School and Seaford Primary School.	10
7	Siblings* of children on roll at Seaford Head School at the time of admission who are living outside the community area	0
8	Children living outside the pre-defined community area	0
	Total number of places allocated	234

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).