

# Admission to Secondary Schools in Kent 2025

## Meeting

### PESE – Procedures for Entry to Secondary Education

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places>

# PESE 2025

- ▶ First, do your research, then choose four schools.
- ▶ Read their selection criteria.
- ▶ Ask “What are my chances?”



# Secondary Schools

## Grammar Schools

- ▶ Chatham and Clarendon Grammar School
- ▶ Dane Court Grammar School
- ▶ Sir Roger Manwoods Grammar School

## High Schools

- ▶ The Royal Harbour Academy
- ▶ King Ethelberts
- ▶ The Charles Dickens School
- ▶ St George's C of E
- ▶ Hartsdown Academy
- ▶ Sandwich Technology School
- ▶ Ursuline College
- ▶ Herne Bay High

# Open Sessions

You will have been given a list of all the open sessions at our local secondary schools.

Important to visit a range of schools and ask questions

- will my child be happy?
- will they meet my child's needs?
- what extras do they offer?
- don't listen to hearsay.

# Grammar Schools

- ▶ If your child took the Kent Test last week you will be informed of the results on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October - before you make your final choice. If your child achieved a selective place put the Grammar schools in order of preference. We recommend putting two grammar schools.
- ▶ If your child **did not** receive a selective place and you wish them to be considered by an appeals panel put the Grammar school/s that you wish to appeal to on the SCAF form.



# Application Forms

- ▶ This year, as in previous years, applications will be done online
- ▶ <https://www.kent.gov.uk/ola>
- ▶ You can log on and make changes at any time but remember to re-submit the revised application
- ▶ If you would like to apply online and would like support or do not have access to a computer at home, please contact the school office and we will help.

# Common Application Form

- ▶ The School Common Application Form, or SCAF must be completed by **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October AT THE LATEST online.**
- ▶ If your application is late then your child will go to the bottom of the County list.

# Kent Test Results

- ▶ PESE tests took place last week and Parents will receive their children's results online on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024 (after 4pm)** or receive a letter the next day
- ▶ Only children registered for the test will receive the results



# Allocations



- ▶ National Offer day – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025 an email will be sent to you after 4:00pm telling you which school you have been offered.
- ▶ You can also [log in](#) to view your offer online on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025.
- ▶ Offer emails will be sent to the email address provided on your application.
- ▶ You must accept or decline the school place you've been offered by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025

# Appeals

- ▶ Parents have the right to request reallocation for schools listed higher than the school which has been allocated.
- ▶ If you were unsuccessful in your choice of school the arrangements for appealing for a place at the school of your choice will be included with the letter you receive.
- ▶ Appeals must be received at County applications by Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.
- ▶ Each oversubscribed school will also keep a waiting list where children will be placed in order according to the school's oversubscription criteria.
- ▶ Let the school know you have accepted the place.

Waiting List

Appeal process

# Key Dates for Year 6

- ▶ **17/10/24** Kent Test results sent and emailed to Parents
- ▶ **31/10/24** Secondary School (online) applications to be completed
- ▶ **03/03/25** Allocations sent to parents via e-mail, letters posted first class to arrive on 3<sup>rd</sup> March
- ▶ **17/03/25** Let the school you have been offered know whether you are accepting the place
- ▶ **31/3/25** - Any appeals should be made by this date
- ▶ **April – June 2025** Appeals heard
- ▶ **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 15th May 2025** – Key Stage 2 SATS tests.