Dear Parents and Carers,

Consultation on Admission Arrangements for September 2028 Entry

The Wensum Trust is currently asking its stakeholders to comment on their proposed admission arrangements for Hellesdon High School

The consultation period will run from Monday 30th November 2026 until Friday 22nd January 2027; during this time parents and other key stakeholders are invited to give their views about the proposed admission arrangements.

You can give your views on the proposed arrangements in the following way:

• Emailing:principal@hellesdonhigh.norfolk.sch.uk quoting 'Admission Consultation 2028 Entry' in the subject header.

Proposed Oversubscription Criteria Consultation:

The Wensum Trust is consulting on the oversubscription criteria for Hellesdon High School

If the number of applications exceeds the remaining places available, places will be allocated strictly in accordance with the following order of priority:

1. Looked After Children (LAC) and all Previously Looked After Children, including those who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be so as a result of being adopted.
2. Siblings: Children living at the same address who have a brother or sister attending the school (or the adjoining/designated feeder school) at the time of admission
3. Catchment Area with Feeder Status: Children living within the designated catchment area served by the school who attend a designated feeder school.
4. Catchment Area: Children living within the designated catchment area served by the school.
5. Outside Catchment Area with Feeder Status: Children living outside the designated catchment area who attend a designated feeder school.
6. Children of Staff: Children of staff members where:
    - The member of staff has been employed at the school or within the trust for two or more years at the time the application is submitted, OR
    - The staff member is recruited to fill a vacant post with a demonstrable skill shortage.
7. Other Applicants: Children living closest to the school.

Further information regarding this consultation can be found on the Hellesdon High School website.

At the end of the consultation period, the Wensum Trust Board of Trustees will meet to consider responses received by the closing date. Admission arrangements will be determined by the 28th February 2027 and will be published on the academy website by the 15th March 2027.

Yours sincerely,



Helen Watts
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