



Darlinghurst

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Nursery Admissions Policy

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Darlinghurst Academy prioritises admission of children under certain criteria:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including children who were previously in state care outside of England, and have ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Pupils who live in the catchment area served by the school and who have an older sibling attending the school.
3. Pupils who live in the catchment area served by the school.
4. Pupils who live outside the catchment area served by the school and have an older sibling attending the school.
5. Pupils who live outside the catchment area served by the school.

If Darlinghurst Academy is named in a child's Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP), the school has a duty to admit the child.

In the case of over subscription in any one category, "straight line" distance will be used to measure the distance from the child's home address to the nearest pupil entrance of the school. Distances will be measured using a computerised system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

In the case that Darlinghurst Academy may be unable to offer 15 hours nursery education parents may choose to accept less than 15 hours at Darlinghurst Academy and share the unused hours with an alternative provider.

**Although this list of criteria will be the adopted order by which places are allocated, the school withholds the right to make exception to these guidelines and apply discretion allocating spaces based on circumstances e.g. special needs, family circumstance.*

Admission to nursery class does not guarantee a place in the reception class. The Local Authority manages school admission for statutory age children and must be applied for separately to Southend Borough Council. www.southend.gov.uk/admissions

How to apply.

A nursery application form can be obtained from Miss Davis, Nursery Admissions Officer.

For any further questions please contact Miss Davis on 01702 509205 or admissions@darlinghurst.co.uk