



School Admission Appeal Timetable 2026

Appeals for transfer to Secondary School (Year 7 2026-27)

2 March 2026 – National Offer Date

Parents are informed of where their child has been offered a school place. Parents who have been unsuccessful in obtaining a place at Tarporley High School and Sixth Form College and who wish to appeal, should request an Admission Appeal form and guidance on the appeals process from the school Office. Parents are requested to complete and return their appeal form within 20 school days.

Important – It is preferable that all supporting evidence is submitted at the same time as the appeal form. However, if this is not possible, additional information will be accepted up to seven working days before the appeal hearing. It is possible that any information submitted after this time will not be considered by the Independent Appeal Panel.

30 March 2026 – Deadline for submitting Appeal Forms

All parents will be given the full 20 school days to submit their appeal. No appeals will be arranged or heard until the deadline for submitting appeal forms has passed.

Important - If you submit your Appeal form after this deadline, your appeal may not be heard with all the other appeals being heard for that school.

30 April 2026 onwards – Appeal hearings

No appeals will be heard before this date due to the required notice period. Parents will be sent a letter informing them of the date and time of the appeal hearing. At least 10 school days' notice of the hearing date will be given.

Admission Authority's case

The Admission Authority is required to produce documentation explaining the reasons why the school place has been refused. This will be sent to parents at least five working days before the appeal hearing.

Notification of the Appeal Panel's decision

The Appeal Panel's decision is communicated to you in writing. This is normally within five working days of the appeal hearing.

Appeals for mid-year transfers.

Parents are requested to complete and return their Appeal form within 20 school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful.

Important – It is preferable that all supporting evidence is submitted at the same time as the Appeal form. However, if this is not possible, additional information will be accepted up to seven working days before the appeal hearing. It is possible that any information submitted after this time will not be considered by the Independent Appeal Panel.

Appeals will usually be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged. Parents will be sent a letter informing them of the date and time of the appeal hearing. At least 10 school days' notice of the hearing date will be given. The Admission Authority is required to produce documentation explaining the reasons why the school place has been refused. This will be sent to parents at least five working days before the appeal hearing. The Appeal Panel's decision is communicated to parents in writing. This is normally within five working days of the appeal hearing.

N.B. The Admission Appeal Timetable relating to application for places into the Sixth Form will be the same as that for mid-year transfers.