

Thursday 5th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

SECAT Determined Admissions Arrangements 2027/28 – Shoeburyness High

SECAT's admissions consultation ended last month and the Trust has now published determined arrangements for 2027-28. For Shoeburyness High, SECAT has changed the arrangements from those proposed. The two significant changes between September 2026 and September 2027 will be:

- Siblings being treated as one entity. For 2026, criteria states siblings in catchment but for 2027 it will be siblings whether in catchment or not.
- Children of staff given a higher status and above children in catchment.

Pleasingly, preference to children attending SECAT primaries ahead of children in catchment has been removed. Friars has the same feeder school status as the SECAT primaries and St George's.

Below you can see the arrangements for this September's cohort (2026), and then the arrangements for the following September (2027). Only if the school is oversubscribed, is the criteria applied.

September 2026/27

1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children
2. Up to 28 pupils granted preferential admission on the basis of their performance in the selection test procedure organised by the Consortium of Selective Schools in Essex (those with scores of 303 and above) and whose normal place of residence lies within the priority area (see map below)
3. If any selective places remain unfilled, the Governors should consider whether any of the remaining applicants who took the selection tests are eligible to be awarded a borderline selective place (scores of 295 to 303) and whose normal place of residence lies within the priority area (see map below)
4. Pupils who live in the catchment area who have a sibling attending the school
5. Pupils who live in the catchment area
6. Pupils who live outside the catchment area who have a sibling attending the school
7. Pupils of Staff
8. Pupils who are attending year 6 at the following feeder primary schools: Bournes Green Junior; Friars Primary; Hinguar Primary; Richmond Avenue Primary; St George's Catholic Primary and Thorpedene Primary; and
9. Pupils who live outside the catchment area



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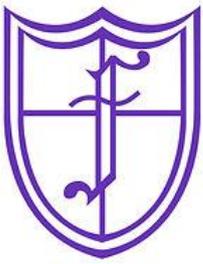
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2. Up to 28 students granted preferential admission based on performance in the selection test organised by the Consortium of Selective Schools in Essex (scores of 303 and above) whose normal place of residence is within the priority area
3. If any selective places remain unfilled, consideration given to applicants who took the selection tests and may be eligible for a borderline selective place (scores of 295-303) and who live within the priority area
4. Students who have a sibling attending the school
5. Children of staff
6. Students who live within the catchment area
7. Students attending Year 6 at the following feeder primary schools: Bournes Green Junior, Friars Primary, St George's Catholic Primary, Hinguar Primary, Richmond Avenue Primary, and Thorpedene Primary
8. Students who live outside the catchment area

This information is from Shoeburyness High's website: [Shoeburyness High School - Admission Process](#)

Should you have any questions about this letter please do ask at the school office, or feel free to speak to me at the school gates.

Yours sincerely,

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