

Starting Secondary School in Slough 2027/28

Apply online at www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions

It is important that you take time to read this information which outlines the application process for a year 7 school place.

Dear Parent/Carer,

If your child was born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016, and you live in Slough, you can now apply online for a transfer from primary (Year 6) to secondary school (Year 7) for September 2027.

The Citizen Portal on the council website is now open to receive applications. There are clear and simple prompts to guide you through making your application.

You will also find the **Starting secondary school booklet** on the council website. The booklet contains a wealth of information to help you choose the right schools, make an application and understand how the application process works. It provides a profile of all of Slough secondary schools alongside information about admission arrangements.

Who should apply?

Current Year 6 pupils - children who will be transferring from primary (Year 6) school to secondary school (Year 7) in September 2027.

When do I need to apply?

You can apply anytime from 1 September 2026. **To receive an offer of a school place on national offer day, you must submit an application by 31 October 2026.**

Please note: In order to maximise your chances of being offered one of your preferred schools

- You **MUST** submit an application with any required documents/supplementary forms on time.
- Your child **MUST** meet the admissions criteria of the school to be offered a place.

and there is

- **NO** automatic transfer from a primary into a secondary school.
- **NO** automatic offer of a sibling place without making an application.

Apply online at
www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions
Closing date to apply 31 October 2026

Changing your preferences or changing the order after submitting an application

You can make any changes to your application before the closing date. However, if you wish to change your preferences after



the closing date or you wish to change the preference order, all your preferences would be considered as late applications and considered after all on-time applications.

It is possible to change your preferences after your application has been downloaded by the Admissions Team but you will need to complete an amendment form which you will find on the council's website.

What happens if I miss the closing date?

For the avoidance of doubt, all applications submitted and received after the closing date (31 October 2026) will be deemed as late applications. They will be considered after those that are received on time and after the first round of offers have been made.

How do I apply?

If you live in Slough you MUST apply through Slough Borough Council. The easiest way to apply is online.

Go to www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions and follow the instructions on the screen.

If you do not have internet access at home you can still apply online at your local library or at the council offices.

Who can make the application?

Applications must be made by a parent or carer who holds legal parental responsibility for a child. Only one application should be made per child.

Contact the Admissions Team

If you would like more information about the school admissions process or the admission arrangements, please read the 'Starting secondary school' booklet

Or visit: www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions

Email: _admissions.helpline@slough.gov.uk

Contact Centre:

Telephone: 01753 475111 (Monday to Friday)

Please note that the School Admissions lines open as and when needed around admissions time.

Best wishes,

Sabi Hothi

Head of Education Services

Slough Borough Council

Observatory House, 25 Windsor Road, Slough SL1 2EL