

# Rainham School for Girls

## Oversubscription criteria: 2018

If the number of preferences for the school, in any year, is more than the number of places available, places will be allocated in the following priority order:

- a) children in public care, and those who have been in care and have been subsequently adopted or have been made subject of a residence order or special guardianship
- b) children who at the time of application have a sibling (including children living as siblings in the same family unit) on the roll of the school and who will be on roll at the time of the siblings admission, or were on roll in the preceding five years
- c) child's health reasons. Medical evidence must be provided which demonstrates a specific health reason which requires the child to attend the preferred school.
- d) children of a member of staff working at this school for 2 or more years at time of application for admission, or appointed to a skill shortage subject
- e) Residence in an access area (please see appendix 1 or Medway Council's Admission to Secondary School booklet for details of our access area)
- f) Nearness of student's home. The distance calculated is the shortest available safe walking route between the child's home and the school using roads and footpaths known to the mapping layer used by Medway Council Student Services – Admissions within the Geographical Information Software (GIS). Please see Medway Council booklet for further details about how the distance is measured.

**Tiebreaker** – In the unlikely event that two or more children in all other ways have equal eligibility for the last available place at the school, the names will be issued a number and drawn randomly to decide which child should be given the place

Parents/Carers who wish their applications to be considered under oversubscription criteria (a), (b), (c) or (d) may need to provide further information to support this. This can be done via the Supplementary Information Form (appendix 2). For casual admission applications, details can be added onto the application form in the spaces provided. In all cases, additional documentation should be provided to the school to support consideration under these oversubscription criteria, where appropriate. Please note that information provided will only be used if there are more applications than spaces available and it is necessary to apply our oversubscription criteria.