



Eldwick Primary School – Admissions Policy

The following school has priority admission area ; a map of the area can be viewed at schools or on the Bradford Council website:

Where the number of preferences for a school exceeds the number of places available, priority will be given to children in the following categories:

1. Looked after children or children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a residence or special guardianship order. (See note 1)
2. Children who have exceptional social or medical needs, supported by a written recommendation from the child's paediatrician/consultant or professional from Children's Services. The letter must explain why the school is the only suitable school to meet the child's needs and why no other school could provide the appropriate support for the child.
3. Children who have a brother or sister, living at the same address and who will still be attending the school at the time of admission. (See Note 2)
4. Children whose home address is within the school's priority admission area*. (See Note 3)
5. Children whose home address is outside the school's priority admission area.

** For Eldwick Primary School, criterion 4 above will apply first for the whole of priority area one and then for the whole of priority area two; if there are remaining unallocated places, criterion 5 will then be applied.*

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When demand exceeds places in any of the above criteria, the distance between the child's home and school, measured by a straight line distance from the Ordnance Survey address point of the home to the main entrance to the school building, will be used to decide who is given a place; those living nearest being given the available places. Where the offer of places to applicants with equi-distant addresses would lead to oversubscription, the decision of who will be offered the place will be made by random selection.

Notes

1. *A 'looked after child' is a child who is in the care of the local authority, or being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (as defined in the Children Act 1989).*
2. *The term 'sisters' and 'brothers' refers to children who live with the same family at the same address. Children living with the same family e.g. foster, adopted children and step-sisters and brothers are also included.*
3. *'Home address' refers to the child's permanent home at the date of admission. Where the child lives with parents with shared responsibility, it is for the parents to determine which address to use when applying for a primary school. Proof of residency may be required at any time during or after the allocation process.*