



## Community school admissions arrangements 2027/28: Staff child criteria survey

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### Staff child admission criteria – headteacher survey

The introduction of staff child criteria for Ealing community schools has been raised by several primary school headteachers, who are concerned about their ability to attract and retain high-quality staff. This context has prompted a review of the community school admissions policy.

### Purpose of the survey

Ealing council is reviewing whether to proceed to formal public consultation to include staff child criteria in the community school admissions arrangements for the 2027/28 academic year. This would give priority to children of staff members under specific conditions, with the aim of supporting recruitment and retention. Your feedback is essential to help the local authority understand the potential benefits, challenges, and practicalities of implementing such a policy.

### Decision authority

Please note that the decision on whether to proceed to formal public consultation lies solely with the local authority. This survey is a key part of the stakeholder engagement process and will inform that decision.

### Why your participation matters

Responses from headteachers will help shape the next steps in the admissions policy review. Your insights will contribute to a balanced and informed approach that considers both staff needs and community expectations.

### Instructions

Please [download](#) the briefing report and then complete the [survey](#) by Friday 3 October. Please only respond if you are a community school and provide one response per school.



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