



**GOING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL
For Parents in the Stamford Area**

APPLYING

- It is very important to apply for a place in secondary school.
- Application can be online:
www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions
- Apply to the Local Authority in which you live.
- Applications usually open in September and close at the end of October annually
- Everything you need to know is in the Lincolnshire School Guide



CHOOSING SCHOOLS

Finding out about Schools

VISIT

Prospectus

Results Tables

Ofsted Reports

Going to School in Lincolnshire

Open Evenings

Ask at your primary school and
other parents



CHOOSING SCHOOLS

There are two practical considerations to think about when choosing schools:

Can I get there?



Am I likely to get in?



CHOOSING SCHOOLS

Think about transport

Will you get free transport?

If not how will you get there?

How much will it cost?

Lincolnshire School Transport

01522 782020

Traveline: 0871 200 2233

www.traveline.info



FREE TRANSPORT

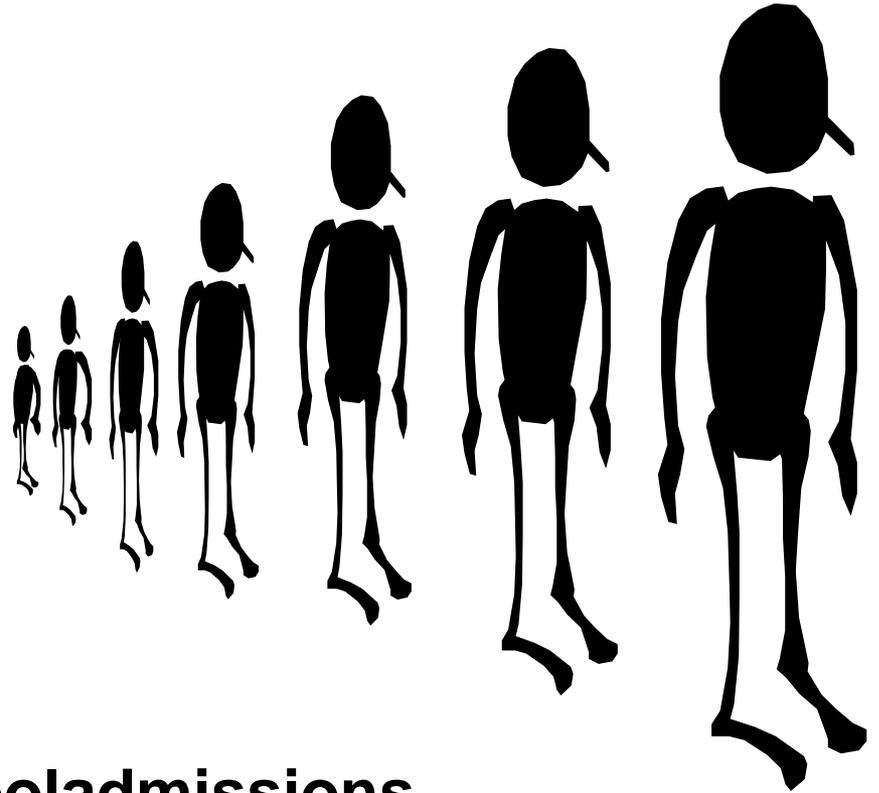
- To the nearest available school if it is over 3 miles away
- To any school for which you live in the Designated Transport Area
- You will be told the schools to which you can get free transport in the letter in your pack
- There is enhanced provision for children from poorer families
- See “Home to School Transport” booklet available online



CHOOSING SCHOOLS

**Think about whether you
are likely to get a place**

- Look at the Admission Policies
- Find out what happened in previous years
- Admissions policies are published on school websites and on the LA website



www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS AND THE 11+

- You must “pass” the 11 plus tests to be considered for a place at a grammar school
- The qualifying standardised score is 220 over the two tests
- You will take the tests in the grammar school
- You should register for the tests with the grammar school
- Limited familiarisation sessions are usually offer in school each year
- You can obtain the forms from your primary school, from the grammar school or online the Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools at:
- <http://grammarschools.lincs.sch.uk/the-11-plus/registration-for-selection>

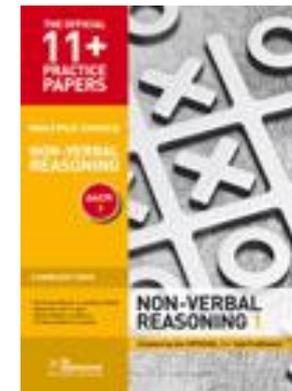
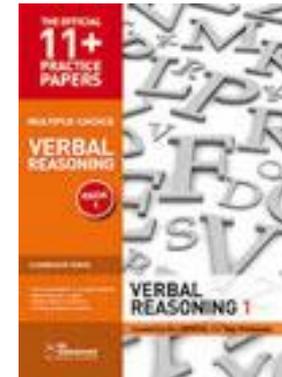


GRAMMAR SCHOOLS - DATES

- **Check with your local grammar school for their dates for:**
 - **Registration for the tests**
 - **First test**
 - **Second test**
 - **Results**

THE TESTS

- One Verbal Reasoning Test
- One Non-Verbal Reasoning Test
- Changes are often made to the tests year on year



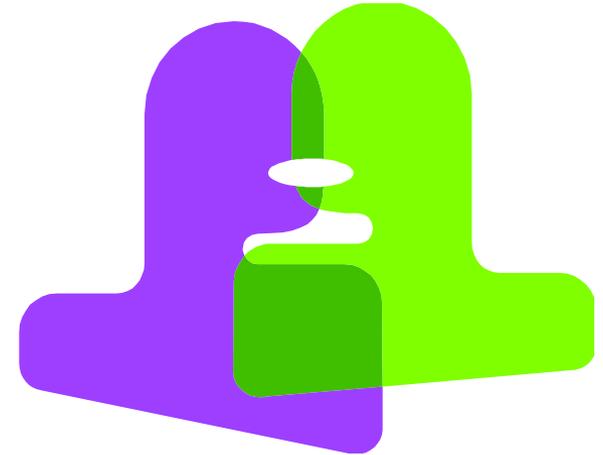
11+ and English as an Additional Language

Tick the box on the registration form to indicate English is not the first language

Grammar School will contact your primary school to discuss

It is possible for some children with EAL to take only the Non-Verbal Reasoning Test and to have the instructions translated.

You might have to ask



11+ and Disability/Special Educational Needs

Tick the box on the registration form to indicate your child has SEN and contact the Grammar School who will also contact your primary school to discuss

Reasonable adjustments may be made to the testing situation depending on what is already in place in the normal classroom situation



11+ USEFUL WEBSITES

- <http://grammarschools.lincs.sch.uk/home/>

This is the website for the Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools

- <http://www.elevenplusexams.co.uk/>

This is one of several useful commercial websites with lots of resources for practice and a forum to discuss issues with others

- <http://www.bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk/>

Bourne Grammar School has a useful page on Admission Procedures

WHAT HAPPENS TO MY APPLICATION?



- Form is processed by School Admissions Team and data sent to schools.
- Different Local Authorities exchange information.
- Schools rank all applicants according to their policy.
- Admissions Team looks at offers and sends parents **the highest one possible** in early March.
- If no preference can be offered the Local Authority **must** identify and offer the **nearest available place**.

EQUAL PREFERENCE

- Admissions Code prevents **schools** from taking account of parental preference ranking. Schools do not see where you put them on the list.
- However, where more than one offer is available the school ranked highest by parents is offered.



COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

- Put schools in your genuine order of preference
- Try to include a “safe” local choice
- Make sure you include your closest school if you want it - do not assume you will automatically be offered this
- You can get help from school
- Online and phone applications are easy



AFTER OFFER DAY

If you have not been allocated a place at a school with which you are happy:

- Accept the place and work from there
- Find out where your child is on the reserve list
- Consider making a revised application to include different schools
- School Admissions will send a list identifying schools which have places left
- Consider an appeal



APPEALS

- You can appeal to an independent appeals panel for a place at any school you named on your list but did not get allocated
- Details of how to appeal are on the Local Authority websites and also from the individual schools
- There are appeals help sheets to download from:



www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/appealing-for-a-school-place



SCHOOLS NEAR STAMFORD



STAMFORD WELLDAND ACADEMY

- Comprehensive Academy
- Mixed
- 11-19
- 6th Form Centre with New College Stamford (planning for their own sixth form in future years)
- Taken over by CMAT in 2014 as part of the Stamford Free School proposal
- Local Authority – Lincolnshire
- PAN = 120



CASTERTON COLLEGE RUTLAND

- Comprehensive Academy
- 11-19
- Mixed
- Offers post 16 education as part of Rutland County College
- Local Authority – Rutland
- PAN = 180



STAMFORD ENDOWED SCHOOLS

- Independent Selective Schools
- Speak direct to schools about scholarships and bursaries
- Apply direct to the schools



BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

- Selective Academy
- Mixed
- 11-19
- Admissions - score does not matter if you pass; places allocated to siblings then on distance to the school
- Local Authority – Lincolnshire
- Pan = 240



BOURNE ACADEMY

- Comprehensive Academy
- 11-19
- Mixed
- Local Authority – Lincolnshire
- PAN = 210



THE DEEPINGS SCHOOL

- Comprehensive Academy
- 11-19
- Mixed
- Local Authority - Lincolnshire
- PAN = 260



ARTHUR MELLOWS VILLAGE COLLEGE

- Comprehensive Academy
- 11-18
- Mixed
- Local Authority – Peterborough City Council
- PAN = 264



THE KING'S SCHOOL PETERBOROUGH

- Academy
- Mixed
- 7-18
- Complicated admissions policy
- Places awarded under academic ability, musical ability, religious criteria and random allocation
- Need to fill in supplementary forms
- Local Authority – Peterborough
- PAN = 135

