

Proposed school admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools 2027-2028

In accordance with statutory requirements under the School Admissions (admission arrangements and co-ordination of admission arrangements) (England) Regulation 2012, Lancashire County Council is consulting on proposed school admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools 2027-2028.

Community and voluntary controlled schools

Lancashire County Council is responsible for consulting on the admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools; consultation is taking place between Monday 27 October to Monday 8 December 2025.

The consultation is now open and it will close on Friday 8 December 2025.

The proposed admission arrangements for Alder Grange School:

When Alder Grange School is oversubscribed, the following priorities apply in order:

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, then;
2. Children for whom the Local Authority accepts that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned, then;
3. Children eligible for Services Premium, then;
4. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then;
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area:
 - a) Higher priority will be given to children living North of Binns Street, Bottomley Bank Lane / Bonfire Hill Road, then;
 - b) Other children living within the school's geographical priority area.
6. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start, then;
7. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area.

This school mainly serves the area of Rawtenstall - Crawshawbooth, Constable Lee, Oakley, Hall Carr, Loveclough and Rawtenstall town centre, Goodshaw, Balladen, and Townsend Fold, together with the Hamlets of Dunnockshaw and Clowbridge. This includes the area known as Higher Nutshaw Farm.

If you would like to comment on the annual consultation, please email by Friday 8 December 2025.

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Or write to us at:

County Pupil Access Team, Education and Children's Services, Lancashire County Council, PO Box 100, County Hall, Fishergate Hill, Preston, Lancashire, PR1 0LD by Friday 8 December 2025.