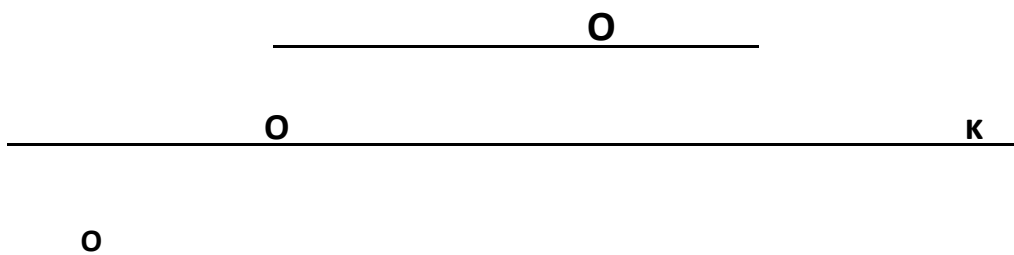


# Clathon County High School

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- 1.1 The Sigma Trust 'the Trust' is the admissions authority for Clacton County High School, referred to as 'the Academy'. During the normal admissions round, Essex County Council operates the co-

is taken to include a son, daughter or step-son/daughter, or child who is adopted or fostered or for whom a special guardianship order is in place.

3.6 Any other applicants.

Within each of the above criteria, proximity of the home to the Academy will be taken into consideration, with those living nearer being accorded the higher priority. (Straight-line distance between home and the Academy will be used as a tie breaker with those living closest to the Academy having highest priority.)<sup>5</sup>

4.1 All applications received will be considered in line with the Essex Fair Access Protocol. Please complete our application form; obtained directly from the Academy, downloading from the Academy's website: [www.countyhigh.org.uk](http://www.countyhigh.org.uk) or on request by emailing:

Parents and prospective students are very welcome to visit the Academy at any time; however, this is not an offer of a placement. Please telephone the Academy to make an appointment.

Where a child is not offered a place, the parent(s) will be entitled to an appeal against the decision to refuse admission. The letter of refusal will contain details of how to go about appealing the decision, including the deadline for lodging the appeal and who to contact. Parents must set out their grounds for appeal as part of their application. Where an appeal is successful, the Academy must admit the child.

- 9.1 Late applications are applications for entry in a relevant age group which are submitted before the first day of the first term in the admission year but have not been made in time to enable the local authority to offer a place on National Offer Day.
- 9.2 A 'looked after child' is a child is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions, including those who have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. A 'previously looked after child' is a child that ceased to be looked after because they were adopted, became subject to a child arrangements' order or special guardianship order. This includes children who appear to the Trust to have been in state care outside of England but ceased to be so because they were adopted.
- 9.3 Definition of a sibling: For applications made in the normal admissions round, and for mid-year admissions, a relevant sibling is 'a child who has a brother, sister, adopted brother or sister or stepbrother or stepsister living in the same family unit in the same family household and address who attends the preferred Academy in any year group excluding the final year.' Biological siblings who attend the preferred Academy in any year group excluding the final year will also be treated as siblings irrespective of place of residence. Children residing in the same household as part of an extended family, such as cousins, will not be treated as siblings.
- 9.4 Details and a map of the priority admission area is illustrated on the Trust's website: <https://www.sigmatrust.org.uk/governance/admissions-3/>
- 9.5 All straight-line distances are calculated electronically using data provided by Ordnance Survey. The data plots the co-ordinates of each individual property and provides the address point between which straight-line distance is measured and reported to three decimal places.

This policy was determined by Trustees on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024.