

13 March 2020
Our ref: 6158488

Thank you for your request received on 4 March 2020, for the following information:

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We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

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Henrietta Barnett School is an academy and its admission authority (Academy Trust) is responsible for the school's admission arrangements (available on the [school website](#))

As stated in the determined admission arrangements, under Criterion 3 of the oversubscription criteria, priority will be given to:

Candidates who currently live within 3 miles of the school at the point when they submit their application to the Local Authority in October, providing that the candidate is capable of following The Henrietta Barnett School education. In this category, a candidate will be considered to have the necessary capability if they sit the Round Two test. In the unlikely event that there are more candidates in this category than places available, then places will be allocated in rank score order.

Distance from the School will be calculated as measured by the London Borough of Barnet. Distance is measured in a straight line between the address point for the child's home, supplied by Ordnance Survey, to the school's main entrance on Central Square using the Council's computerised geographical information system. Where a child lives normally during the school week with more than one parent at different addresses, the permanent home address for the purposes of school admissions will be the one where the child spends the majority of school nights

Monday – Friday. The Local Authority is rigorous in its regulation of home addresses, including ensuring that families do not move house in order to gain a place

After places are allocated under Criteria 1 and 2 (eligible children who are looked After or qualify for Pupil Premium) places will be allocated to children living within 3 miles of the school ahead of those living outside this radius. Although theoretically this means that no places may be available for children living outside 3 miles, regardless of their entrance tests scores, this is highly unlikely to be the case. For example, approximately one third of HBS places were allocated to children living 3 miles and two-thirds were allocated to those living outside 3 miles, on National Offer Day 2020.

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Please see attached copy of Barnet's Address Protocol for Secondary School Transfer 2020.

Further information

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