

**Consultation on New Collaborative Learning Trust (NCLT)
proposed admission arrangements for 2026/27 entry**

**Proposed Admission Admissions Arrangements
Brinsworth Academy**

**Proposed Admission Admissions Arrangements
Dinnington High School**

You are invited to give your views on one or both of the proposed admission arrangements during the consultation period 9th December to 26th January 2025.

You can give views by emailing us to admissions.arrangements@nclt.ac.uk
Please identify the school/policy (Brinsworth Academy or Dinnington High School) you are referring to in your response.

Statutory guidance

[School admissions code 2021 \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)

Background information

NCLT is the admission authority for the schools identified above and is responsible for setting admission arrangements for these schools.

Admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements when changes are proposed, and at least once every 7 years even if there have been no changes during that period.

This document relates only to the consultation on the admission arrangements for the schools identified above for the admission year 2026-27.



Key principles

All schools must have admission arrangements that clearly set out how children will be admitted, including the criteria that will be applied if there are more applications than places at the school.

These must include:

- The Published Admission Number for each relevant age group, this is the number of places that will be offered at each usual point of intake to a school (Year 7 for secondary schools).
- The criteria against which places will be allocated at the school when there are more applications than places and the order in which the criteria will be applied. It is for admission authorities to decide which criteria would be most suitable to the school according to the local circumstances, but they must be reasonable, clear, objective, procedurally fair, and comply with all relevant legislation, including equalities legislation.

In drawing up their admission arrangements, admission authorities must ensure that the practices and the criteria used to decide the allocation of school places are fair, clear, and objective.

Admission authorities must set ('determine') admission arrangements annually.

The proposals being consulted upon – available on the school's website

An addition element to the criteria used if there are more applications than places (the admission number) available in a school. If there are more applications than places available, they will be allocated up to the admission number in the order of priority set out in the proposed admission arrangements policy. The additional criterium concerns the allocation of places for children of school staff.

Proposed addition-

Children of staff at the school meeting the following criteria:

- *where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made; and/or*
- *the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the school for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.*