

2027 MAIN ADMISSIONS ROUND APPEALS SCHEDULE FOR COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOLS

		Transfer to secondary school September 2027	Starting school September 2027	Transfer to junior or primary school September 2027
1	Applicants who applied before the relevant closing dates informed of outcome of applications ¹	1 March 2027	16 April 2027	16 April 2027
2	Deadline for lodging appeals – 28 days after notification date (above) ² and ³	29 March 2027	14 May 2027	14 May 2027
3	Allow parents at least 14 days' notice of appeal – appeals commence:	12 April 2027	28 May 2027	28 May 2027
4	Appeals must be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals – appeals will be heard by:	14 June 2027	16 July 2027	16 July 2027

¹ - School Admissions Code 2021, 2.12 and Determined Co-ordinated Admission Scheme for all Maintained Schools and Academies in the Area of Cumberland Council:

- Offers of secondary school places must be made on 1 March or the 'next working day'.
- Offers of infant/primary school places and junior/primary school places must be made on 16 April or the 'next working day'.
- Admission Authorities are required to publish their appeals timetable on their website by 28 February each year.

² - School Admissions Appeals Code 2022, 2.3 (b) – ‘for late applications, appeals should be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals where possible, or within 30 days of the appeal being lodged’.

³ - School Admissions Appeals Code 2022, 2.4 – ‘Any appeals submitted after the appropriate deadline must still be heard, in accordance with whatever timescale is set out in the timetable published by the admission authority’. Main admission round appeals submitted after the deadline date in each of the admissions rounds above will be heard within 30 school days of the relevant date for appeals to commence (row 3 of the table above).