



THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

ADMISSION APPEAL HEARINGS 2026

Parents unable to obtain a place at the school of their choice have the right to appeal against the decision to an appeal panel independent of the school and the Local Authority. Parents wishing to appeal must set out their grounds for appeal, in writing, which can be made online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk or by contacting admissions.transport@derbyshire.gov.uk

The closing date for appeals for decisions notified on 2nd March 2026 will be 27th March 2026. Appeals received by 27st March 2026 will then be heard by 15th June 2026.

Appellants will receive at least 10 school days' notice of the appeal hearing. Unless the appellant agrees to waive their 10 school days' notice to have the appeal heard sooner.

The Appeals Clerk will send the school case to appellants at least five school days prior to the date of the hearing (unless the 10 school days' notice has been waived)

The deadline for appellants wishing to submit additional evidence is three clear school days prior to the date of the hearing.

The Appeals Clerk will ensure that decision letters are sent within five school days of the hearing, wherever possible.

In-Year Admissions

For applications for In-Year Admissions, appeals will be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.

Sixth Form Admissions

Where the offer of a place would have been conditional upon exam results, appeals will be heard within 30 school days of confirmation of those results.

Where the offer of a place would not have been conditional upon exam results, appeals will be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals.