

Chelmsford County High School for Girls Admission to Year 7 in September 2020

Frequently Asked Questions regarding Admission Test Results

IMPORTANT: The school will not be able to give any further information about test results other than the individual test score that you have received in your letter.

Q	How many candidates sat the entrance test for Chelmsford County High School for Girls for entry in September 2020?
A	A total of 693 candidates sat the test at Chelmsford County High School for Girls and a further 354 candidates sat the test at an alternative venue and requested that their results be shared with Chelmsford County High School for Girls.
Q	What was the lowest mark achieved by a candidate who was offered a place <u>last year</u> for September 2019 entry?
A	We are not permitted to share the cut-off score as this may identify an individual child.
Q	Where is my daughter's place in the rank order?
A	The purpose of releasing the results before the Common Application Form (CAF) deadline is to provide parents with information to assist when deciding whether to include Chelmsford County High School for Girls as one of the schools listed on the Common Application Form (CAF) to the local authority. The School therefore does not know this information as we do not know at this stage who has formally applied and whether the application of our oversubscription criteria may need to be used.
Q	What is my daughter's raw score for each test?
A	Chelmsford County High School for Girls does not hold this information.
Q	Can I see my daughter's test papers?
A	It is not possible to see a candidate's test papers as they are commercially sensitive and the property of CEM.
Q	How does 'Looked After Child or Previously Looked After Child' status affect my daughter's application?
A	If your daughter's permanent home address is within the 12.5 mile priority area and she is cared for by a local authority or is a previously looked after child, then she is eligible to be considered under section 1.4 of the over-subscription criteria. This means if she has achieved a score within the top or middle bands as advised in the CCHS Entrance Test results letter she may be offered a place at Chelmsford County High School for Girls. The Admissions Office will seek clarification, if required.
Q	What is Pupil Premium?
A	Pupil Premium are those pupils who have received funding for free school meals at any point in the last 6 years or who are currently eligible for free school meals.
Q	How does being eligible for Pupil Premium affect my daughter's application?
A	If your daughter's permanent home address is within the 12.5 mile priority area and she is a Pupil Premium child, then she is eligible to be considered under section 1.4 of the over-subscription criteria. This means if she has achieved a score within the top or middle bands as advised in the CCHS Entrance Test results letter she may be offered a place at Chelmsford County High School for Girls. The Admissions Office will seek clarification, if required.

Q	My daughter sat the test at another school and the standardised test result is different from Chelmsford. Why?
A	<p>Parents whose daughter sat the test at Chelmsford may have also registered their daughter for one of the other schools within the CEM Consortium and requested that the raw score was shared with Chelmsford County High School for inclusion in their standardisation.</p> <p>The standardised results may be different from one CEM school to another, as the same raw score is being compared with those results of the school's cohort of children, and these will vary.</p>
Q	Can papers be remarked?
A	<p>All tests are computer scanned twice using different hardware. The only circumstances under which a manual re-mark would show anything different from the computer scanning are where a candidate has failed to mark the answer sheet correctly and failed to place the marks in the correct position as instructed. There are printed examples and reminders at the start of each of the sections on how to mark the answer sheet correctly, and complying with these instructions is regarded as an integral part of the test.</p> <p>We will not undertake any test re-mark <u>until after National Offer Day, 2 March 2020</u>. The cost of a re-mark would be £50 per paper.</p>
Q	When will I know if I have been offered a place at Chelmsford County High School for Girls?
A	The National Offer date is 2 March 2020.
Q	Can I appeal?
A	You cannot appeal about your daughter's test result. Your offer letter from your Local Authority on 2 March 2020 will contain details of how to appeal if you have not been offered a place at your preferred school.