

SECTION B STARTING SCHOOL IN 2010

HOW DO I APPEAL?

If you are unhappy because you haven't been able to get a place at one of your preferred primary schools, you can appeal against the decision to an independent appeal panel. The letter sent to you dated 30 April 2010 will tell you who to contact for an appeals form. The Learning Trust or School will need to have your completed appeals form by 20 May 2010. We will then contact you to invite you to the appeal hearing. You can get independent advice about appeals from the Advisory Centre for Education. T 0808 800 5793 or visit www.ace-ed.org.uk

HOW DO I APPEAL IF MY CHILD HAS AN SEN STATEMENT?

If your child has an SEN statement you can appeal against a named school to an independent appeal tribunal (SENDT) under the 1996 Education Act. This is different from the normal appeals tribunal. You should contact the Special Needs Assessment and Monitoring team on 020 8820 7000 to discuss this.

IN-YEAR PRIMARY SCHOOL TRANSFERS 2010/11

Applications for places in year groups other than the reception class, received after 31 August 2010, will be treated as in-year primary admissions. You should contact your preferred primary school or The Learning Trust to obtain a PA1 application form. The Learning Trust will write to you to let you know if a place can be offered at one of your preferred schools. If your child is refused a place at a school, you can ask to have their name put on the application list. Their position on the list for community schools is determined by the admissions criteria on page



17. We don't take into account the length of time the pupil has been on the list. Their position on the waiting lists for religious schools will be decided by the school itself, in line with their admissions criteria set out in section D.

ADMISSION OF TWINS OR TRIPLETS IN YEAR 3 AND ABOVE

If there is only one place available, we will ask the school whether it is able to admit your other children. If not, we will help you find places at a school that can admit all of your children.

PUPILS WHO HAVE BEEN PERMANENTLY EXCLUDED FROM A PRIMARY SCHOOL

If your child has been permanently excluded from a primary school, their details will be sent to the Head of St John's Education Centre, who will arrange for them to attend the centre for a while. They will then discuss with you when your child is ready to return to a mainstream school. They will then refer the case to the In-year Fair Access Protocol Panel for a school place to be allocated.

St John's Education Centre provides full-time education programmes for Hackney pupils who have been permanently excluded from a mainstream school. The unit's focus is on intervention to ensure pupils remain engaged in learning, address the behaviour that led to the exclusion and support reintegration into mainstream school as soon as possible.

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IN-YEAR FAIR ACCESS PROTOCOLS 2010/11

All schools have signed up to this protocol. The Fair Access Protocol Panel meets once a month to allocate school places to pupils who are covered by the protocol. You can get a copy of the In-year Fair Access Protocol policy from the Admissions Team on 020 8820 7402.

