

## **Transfer to Upper School (Year 9) – September 2026**

The table below lists the number of requests for places for the Year 9 intake at Wootton Upper School and the number of places that have been offered in accordance with the published admissions arrangements on National Offer Day, 2nd March 2026. The information will give you an indication of the level of oversubscription, which you may find helpful if we have been unable to offer you a place at your preferred school(s), because your application was not high enough on the list for admission.

School	Type	Published Admissions Number	Requests received	Places Offered	Additional Offers *	Last place offered, criteria and distance
Wootton	Academy	270	173	173		All offered

### **Additional Offers**

\* Where a child living within the administrative area of Bedford Borough Council (or lives in Central Bedfordshire but within the school's catchment area), has been unable to secure a school place through the normal transfer process, and they are not attending a school where they can remain in September, the relevant Local Authority has a duty to nominate the next nearest school with places available.

### **Appeals**

If your application has been unsuccessful, you have the right to appeal against this decision.

You can lodge your appeal for a place at a school in Bedford Borough Council on-line at [www.bedford.gov.uk/appeals](http://www.bedford.gov.uk/appeals) or you can request a form from the Appeals Clerk, tel 01234 228905. Please read the Appeals Guidance before submitting your appeal.

**If you have been unsuccessful in gaining a place at a school in another local authority and you wish to appeal, you should contact the relevant council for more information.**

### **Waiting Lists**

If your child has not been offered a place at your preferred school(s), they will be placed on the waiting list which has been prioritised in accordance with the admissions criteria for individual schools. If a place becomes available the relevant local authority will contact you, even if you have accepted a place at an alternative school/academy. The waiting lists will be maintained until the end of the Autumn term 2026 (31 December 2026). If you wish to remain on the waiting list beyond that time, you will need to contact the School Admissions Service of the relevant local authority.

### **Bedford Borough school with vacancies**

The following school currently has places available:

Wootton Upper School

If you would like to request a place at the school listed, you should email the School Admissions Service by 16 March 2026 [admissions@bedford.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@bedford.gov.uk)

### **Admission of younger siblings**

If we have offered your child a place you should be aware that this will not guarantee a place at this school to any younger siblings in future years, particularly if the school is oversubscribed.