



Southend High School for Girls

AN ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Southchurch Boulevard, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 4UZ

Headteacher: Mr J Carey MEd (Cantab), BA (Hons), LLE, NPQEL

October 2024

Dear **interested party**,

RE: Consultation on admission arrangements

I am writing to notify you of the upcoming consultation on the academy's admissions policy. The consultation period will run from 31st October 2024 until 12th December 2024; during this time, parents are invited to express their views and any concerns about the proposed changes to the admission arrangements at Southend High School for Girls.

In accordance with the DfE's 2014 statutory 'School Admissions Code' guidance, as a school we must consult on our admission arrangements when changes are proposed, and at least once every seven years.

Changes are proposed in the September 2026 admissions arrangements. To this end, the following amendments to our admission arrangements have been proposed:

Sixth Form Entry Criteria - This is being proposed in order to support more students who aspire to a grammar school Sixth Form education. Therefore, entry into Year 12, in September 2026, will follow the criteria below:

- **A minimum of 50 points from the applicant's best eight GCSE subjects (only subjects in which 5 or above is scored will be counted)**
- **A minimum of two GCSE grade 7s**
- **A minimum of a GCSE grade 5 in English Language and Mathematics**

In accordance with statutory DfE guidance, the consultation will run for at least six weeks and, as an interested party at Southend High School for Girls, we are keen to hear your views on the proposed changes; therefore, we invite you to participate in the consultation if you have any concerns regarding the matter.

All responses to the consultation should be made in writing and submitted before 9:00 on 12th December 2024 to the PA to the Headteacher via email office@SHSG.org or by post to:

Southend High School for Girls, Southchurch Boulevard, Southend on Sea SS2 4NQ.

Please note that written responses should outline your personal details, including your name, address and relationship to the academy.

At the end of the consultation period, the governing board will meet to consider responses and submit a final policy to the Southend High School for Girls Trust Board of Trustees for approval.

If you wish to further discuss this matter, or anything mentioned in this letter, please contact, the PA to the Headteacher on the email provided above or on 01702 588852.

Yours faithfully

Jason Carey - Headteacher

