

Who is proposing Hillingdon High School?

Hillingdon High School is being proposed by Haydon School, Northwood School, Queensmead School, Ruislip High School and Vyners School. These five schools are all high performing, successful and popular with parents. They also share a similar ethos and approach to ensuring that children achieve their potential. These schools believe that a new school in Hillingdon should be for the whole of the local community. The vision for Hillingdon High School is founded upon the tried and tested philosophies of the sponsoring schools. All five headteachers of these schools will be actively involved in establishing the new school, recruiting a headteacher designate and other staff as well as supporting it during its founding years.



The proposal is that all students in north Hillingdon have access to an outstanding education and are able to attend their local school regardless of where they live. It is our view that the needs of the diverse community living in the north of the borough are best served by establishing an inclusive, non-selective secondary school.

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How do I show my support?

The application to the Secretary of State needs to show support for the school, especially from parents of children who are due to start Year 7 in September 2018 or September 2019 (currently in Year 3 or Year 4). If you have children of this age and support the establishment of Hillingdon High School, please:

- complete the form at: www.hillingdonhighschool.org before 30th April 2016; and
- attend the open meeting on Monday 25th April at Winston Churchill Hall from 6:30pm to 7:30pm to find out more.



What happens next?

The application to establish Hillingdon High School was submitted to the Secretary of State in March 2016, and a decision is anticipated before the summer holidays. If that decision is 'yes', we will aim to secure a site as soon as possible and begin the detailed planning needed to open Hillingdon High School in 2018.

If the application is successful we will be seeking community governors to be part of establishing the school.



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What is being proposed?

Five of Hillingdon's secondary schools are proposing to establish a new secondary school, Hillingdon High School, for local students aged 11-18 to meet the needs of the community in the north of the borough. This leaflet gives more information about the proposal, and explains how parents can demonstrate their support for Hillingdon High School.

What is Hillingdon High School?

Hillingdon High School would:

- open in September 2018 on a site in the north of the London Borough of Hillingdon;
- have 180 each a year for students joining Year 7;
- be for students aged 11-18, including a sixth form on site;
- be established by five existing, successful, local secondary schools; and
- admit children of all faiths and none, giving priority to local children and their siblings from the second year of opening.



Why is Hillingdon High School being proposed?

Hillingdon High School is being proposed because:

- more school places are needed: the number of children in primary schools in Hillingdon has risen significantly and Hillingdon Council predicts that more secondary school places will be needed from 2018 so that all children can have a local school place; and
- local schools are heavily over-subscribed

What will the ethos of the school be?

Hillingdon High School will be a 21st century school with traditional values. It will have a curriculum that inspires and stretches all students and instils a lifelong love of learning. Our aim is to prepare young people to be leaders, ready to shape their future and the world that they live in. Hillingdon High School will have a traditional school uniform, high expectations of behaviour and an uncompromising belief that everyone in our community should treat each other with kindness and respect.

What will students learn?

The curriculum will be academic, because we know that all children will succeed when expectations are high.

The Key Stage 3 curriculum in Years 7 and 8 would include approximately half of the timetable for English, Maths and Science.

The broad and balanced curriculum would include humanities, art, design and technology, PE, drama, music and computing.

There would be structured programmes to support those who did not achieve the expected levels of progress at Key Stage 2 and to stretch those with particular strengths in different subjects (including setting in mathematics from Year 7).

The Key Stage 4 curriculum (Years 9 to 11) would have a core GCSE curriculum in English, mathematics, science and PE. Students would then select further GCSE options, which would be expected to include at least one humanities subject and at least one language.

The compulsory school day and school year at Hillingdon High School would be similar to other local schools, with opportunities for co-curricular activities beyond the core day.

Outstanding outcomes will be achieved through:

- a culture of very high expectations for all and no excuses – background does not limit achievement;
- excellent recruitment and training and development of staff;
- attention to detail throughout the school, from expectations of uniform and behaviour, through effective management of resources and close collaboration with other local schools



Where will Hillingdon High School be located?

At this stage we do not have a confirmed site. If our application is approved by the Department for Education we will work quickly with Government and Hillingdon Council to confirm a site as soon as possible.

How will students be admitted?

Hillingdon High School will be open to all local students, irrespective of faith, gender or ethnicity. Hillingdon High School will comply with legal requirements and the School Admissions Code, and its over-subscription criteria will then prioritise siblings (from the second year of opening), children of staff and local students.