

In the interests of transparency, and to manage the expectations of future appellants, The Wren School Academy Trust commits to publishing the results of its annual admissions appeals round.

The trust is rightly proud of the school's many successes and associated popularity with the local community, and recognises the absolute right of parents and carers to appeal for a place if they are not offered one on National Offer Day. However, in an environment of education budgets at severe strain, we would wish potential appellants to be aware that appeals do bear a substantial cost to the school, and that they should inform the appeals administrator immediately if they do not intend to proceed at any point.

Admission Appeals 2018

May 2018						
Lodged	Withdrawn ¹	Heard ³	Attended	Unattended ²	Successful ⁴	Subsequently offered place from waiting list
27	5	22	18	5	2	1

June 2018						
Lodged	Withdrawn ¹	Heard ³	Attended	Unattended ²	Successful	Subsequently offered place from waiting list
4	1	3	2	1	0	0

¹ A total of 5 appeals were withdrawn before the hearings. Some of these were late withdrawals, which cost the school a total of £320. This cost is not reimbursed to the school, and comes out of the education budget intended for our students.

² A total of 6 appellants did not attend their appeals hearings, most not having the courtesy of informing the school beforehand. Appeals lodged by appellants who fail to attend must still be heard in their absence, but consequently are extremely unlikely to be successful. Indeed, none of these unattended appeals were successful, yet they cost the school a total of £840. This cost comes directly out of the education budget intended for our students.

³ The 31 admission appeals lodged with the trust were held in accordance with the Admissions Policy 2018 and were heard by an independent panel. This cost, totalling £6,500, will be deducted from the 2018/19 education budget.

⁴ The common nature of this year's successful appeals was medical. This is not an indication of future likelihood of success or failure.