Office of
the Schools
Adjudicator

Objection to School Admission Arrangements

(for September 2027)

Use this form:

- To bring to the attention of the Office of the Schools Adjudicator (OSA or Adjudicator) that you believe a school, trust or local authority's admission arrangements are unlawful or do not comply with the School Admissions Code (the Code).

When to use this form:

- If objecting to admission arrangements for September 2027. This must be submitted before 15 May 2026.
- If you submit this form after that date, the adjudicator may not be able to consider it.

Please note:

- Where possible, when there are known multiple objectors to the same issue, please use one form signed by the group, rather than submitting multiple objection forms.
- Once the form has been submitted, the Chief Adjudicator will assess your objection and let you know if it is within the Adjudicator's jurisdiction. If it is it will be allocated to a schools adjudicator who will then consider the case.
- Complete the form where indicated by the light green shaded areas.

Section 1 – Your details

a) Provide your name and contact details:

Title	
First name	
Last name	
Full postal address	
Postcode	
Email address	

NOTE: You should be aware that if the Adjudicator agrees to take the case, a copy of this form will be sent to the school, the local authority and any religious body. Your home address (if you have

objected as an individual) and any email address and telephone number will be removed from the form before it is circulated.

b) Indicate which of the following apply to you, by placing an 'x' in the box beside the most appropriate description:

NOTE: You should choose **only one** of the following:

Parent, carer or other person with parental responsibility [1]	
Other member of the public	
Representative of a school	
Representative of a local authority	
Representative of a religious body	
Other	

NOTE: You should only mark[1] with an 'X' if you are a person with parental responsibility for a child who is in the school or who will be the right age to join the school in the year relevant to the arrangements about which you are objecting. Parental responsibility is defined as the legal rights and responsibilities of a parent and is explained further by visiting Parental rights and responsibilities.

If you make more than one choice, it could delay your objection being considered.

c) If you have indicated 'Other' above, then please specify:

Section 2 – Withholding your identity

a) Place an 'x' in the box beside the most appropriate statement:

I am a parent, carer or other person with parental responsibility and wish for my identity to be withheld	
I am not a person with parental responsibility for a child [2] (as defined above [1]) but I would wish for my identity to be withheld	
I do not want my identity to be withheld	

NOTE: [2] Each such request is considered on its merits by the Chief Adjudicator who will decide whether or not to agree your request. We will let you know the decision as soon as possible and before we inform any other parties of the objection. If the Chief Adjudicator does not agree that your identity may be withheld, you will, of course, have the option to withdraw your objection.

Examples of circumstances where this might be agreed include (but are not limited to) individuals with a close connection to the school which is the subject of the objection or a person with parental responsibility for a child who might be the right age to join the school in a subsequent year.

If you wish your identity to be withheld then it will be your responsibility, and not the responsibility of the adjudicator, to redact documentation you send to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator so that your identity is not revealed.

If you make more than one choice, it could delay your objection being considered.

b) If you have indicated above that you wish for your identity to be withheld but do not hold parental responsibility, then provide your reason(s) below:

Section 3 – Details of your objection

a) Provide the name and address of the school (or local authority) that is the subject of your objection:

Admission authority name	
Full postal address	
Postcode	

b) Provide information about what you are objecting to and why here (be clear about which part of the admission arrangements you are objecting to) – the box will expand as you type**:**

Section 4 – Declaration

a) I / We declare that the information given above and within any supporting documentation is correct:

Signature [3]	
Date	

NOTE: [3] Just type name(s) when sending by email.

Section 5 – Where to submit this form

By email to: osa.team@schoolsadjudicator.gov.uk

By post to: OSA, Bishopsgate House, Feethams, Darlington, DL1 5QE

NOTE: You should only submit this as a Word document. PDF documents will be not be considered.