



## Admissions Policy

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Admissions to SENDAT Academies is through the Local Authority – Suffolk County Council

Anyone interested in seeking a place for a child should contact the Family services team and Suffolk County Council

- The Ipswich Team covers south Suffolk and pupils and young people attending education outside of Suffolk. They can be contacted on 01473 265101 or by email - [SENTeamSouth@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:SENTeamSouth@suffolk.gov.uk)
- The Lowestoft Team covers north Suffolk. They can be contacted on 01502 674718 or by email - [SENTeamNorth@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:SENTeamNorth@suffolk.gov.uk)
- The Bury St Edmunds Team covers west Suffolk. They can be contacted on 01284 758809 or by email - [SENTeamWest@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:SENTeamWest@suffolk.gov.uk)

### **Priory, Mount Road and Stone Lodge**

Admission to these academies is through the termly Specialist admissions meetings which Suffolk CC holds with SENDAT and other schools and professionals around the table.

If the EHC plan is new or a student has just moved into the area the authority may consult with SENDAT outside of the admissions meetings.

Further information about the referral process can be found on the local offer <http://bit.do/suffolkadmissions>

### **Chalk Hill**

Chalk Hill provides day and boarding places for boys aged 8 to 14 with Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs. Students are likely to have had a difficult route through education to this point and may have had several placement failures. In addition students are likely to have significant emotional trauma.

As an Alternative Provision (AP) Academy, admission to Chalk Hill is through the Local Authority's Specialist admissions process or by direct referrals from the Specialist Education Panel (SEP). Particularly due to its residential provision, Chalk Hill serves the whole county and will therefore receive referrals from the whole County.

Further information about the referral process can be found on the local offer <http://bit.do/suffolkadmissions>

Once a student is referred to Chalk Hill, our own admissions process involves thorough consideration of the referral form and /or Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) and supporting documentation; a visit by our staff to the student's current/most recent school; a visit to the student's home to meet them and their family and to discuss life at Chalk Hill in more detail; and a visit to Chalk Hill, including a meeting with the Headteacher. Only after these stages have been completed, and all parties are satisfied that Chalk Hill is the right setting for the student, will a place be offered.

Residential (boarding) places are reserved for students whose life at home and/or in the community prevents them from engaging with learning.

Students who have been permanently excluded from a mainstream school will be on roll solely at Chalk Hill, while the next appropriate provision is sought and the student prepared for successful transition. Students who have not been permanently excluded will be dual registered, remaining on

roll at their sending school and also on roll at Chalk Hill, working towards a successful return to their sending school or transition to another appropriate learning provider.

### **Angel Hill College**

The college provides education for 16-25 year old students for whom the West Suffolk College would be too large or difficult.

All students at Angel Hill are on the roll of West Suffolk College

Referrals/applications should be made to West Suffolk College, stating Angel Hill College.

Interested parties should call the West Suffolk College SEND team on 01284 716 257.

### Visiting SENDAT provision

Visits for parents/carers/professionals can be arranged at any of our academies/colleges. These do need to be booked sometime in advance and we may need to group some visitors to make it possible.

### Appeals

Appeals are made to the Local Authority through the area office

### **Contact about admissions**

Please use [admissions@sendat.academy](mailto:admissions@sendat.academy) for all enquiries regarding admissions.