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BOA Admissions Timeline 2024-25

Week commencing 16th September 2024:

BOA's website will advertise details of how to book places for open week: **Admissions** section.

Tuesday 1st October 2024 at 9am:

Prospective students can access **Applicaa** (the online admissions management system used by the Academy to track all applications) in order to commence their applications.

Week commencing 14th October 2024:

Open Week 2024, to include:

KS4 Evening on Tuesday 15th October (for students wishing to join Year 10 in September 2025)

Post-16 Evening on Thursday 17th October (for students wishing to join Year 12 in September 2025)

Morning tours, Monday 11th to Tuesday 12th November (limited to 50 places per open morning, booked in advance only)

Friday 31st January 2025 at 5pm:

Deadline for all **'on time' applications**.

Prospective students who have submitted their applications by this time and date will be invited to the aptitude workshops in February 2025.

Week commencing 24th February 2025:

Aptitude workshops will take place at Birmingham Ormiston Academy (1 Grosvenor Street, B4 7QD) from Monday 24th to Friday 28th February 2025.

Week commencing 17th March 2025:

We aim to send out all **decision letters** w/c 17th March 2025.

Friday 11th April 2025 at 5pm:

Deadline for **'accepting' or 'declining' a place** at Birmingham Ormiston Academy.

Monday 28th April 2025 at 5pm:

Deadline for all **late admissions applications**.
Deadline for requesting a **'second chance' aptitude workshop**.



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Saturday 10th or Monday 12th May 2025:

'Second round' or 'second chance' aptitude workshops (please see info below).

'First round' and 'second round' aptitude workshops:

Each year, Birmingham Ormiston Academy receives more applications than the number of places on offer. Last year, we received 468 applications for the 150 places available in Year 10, and 662 applications for the 225 places available in Year 12. As a result, we refer to our *oversubscription criteria* (Section 37, BOA Admissions Policy 2024) when allocating places and typically find that all available places are filled after the first round of aptitude workshops in February.

Please bear the following in mind:

- We always advise applicants to attend the aptitude workshops in February
- The Academy is not dutybound to run a second round of aptitude workshops in May if a) we receive more applications than places available by 31st January, and b) if all places are filled following the first round of aptitude workshops in February.
- If the Academy runs the second round of aptitude workshops, we do so in order to enable **late applicants** and **second chance applicants** access to the waiting list, should they successfully demonstrate aptitude during the second round of workshops.
- Unsuccessful applicants from the first round of aptitude workshops in February can request a 'second chance' workshop (which takes place at the same time as the second round) but only if they can provide evidence of exceptional or extenuating circumstances that affected their first-round aptitude assessment(s).

Timeline for Admissions Appeals 2025:

Friday 9th May 2025 at 5pm:

Deadline to submit an **Admission Appeal** following February 2025 aptitude workshops (*allowing at least 20 school days following receipt of the decision letter*).

Friday 20th June 2025 at 5pm:

Deadline to submit an **Admission Appeal** following May 2025 aptitude workshops (*allowing at least 20 school days following receipt of the decision letter*).

Friday 27th June 2025:

Notification of Admission Appeal Hearing (at least 10 days' notice). Paperwork for the Independent Appeals hearing will be shared with all parties by this date.

Monday 14th to Wednesday 16th July 2025:

Independent Admission Appeal Hearings in front of an **Independent Admission Appeal Panel**.