

Year 7 & Post 16 Appeals Process

If you have not been offered a place at Leigh Academy Blackheath, the law entitles you to appeal against that decision to an Independent Appeal Panel. This panel is completely independent of the school and the Admission Authority. If you wish to appeal, please complete the online appeal form or email <u>admissions@leighacademyblackheath.org.uk</u> to request a paper copy. You should include any evidence or supporting material with your appeal form and you MUST give the grounds for your appeal at the time you lodge your appeal form. Your appeal form will not be accepted unless you state the grounds for your appeal. You may appeal for more than one school. The timetable for appeals is as follows:-

Admissions Dates:	
15th March 2023	Deadline for accepting or declining the offer of a Year 7 place made on 01 March 2023.
31st March 2023	Deadline for lodging Appeals against a decision not to offer a Year 7 place at Leigh Academy Blackheath – see timetable below.

Appeals Timetable:	
31st March 2023 @ 9am	Deadline for lodging Appeals against a decision not to offer a Year 7 place at Leigh Academy Blackheath
June 2023	Stage 1 Appeal Hearing for Year 7 entry September 2023 Venue: Leigh Acaemy Blackheath, Old Dover Road, SE3 8SY
Individual Stage 2 hearings commence June 2023	Stage 2 meetings, these individual meetings will be held during the school day. Appellants will receive at least 10 school days notice of their allocated time. Venue: to be confirmed. It is anticipated Stage 2 individual hearings will take two weeks to complete. Decision letters will not be sent out until after the final hearing. Letters will be sent within 5 school days of the final hearing wherever possible
Late applicants:	Appeals will be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals where possible, or within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.
In-Year Appeals	Will be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.
Post-16	Where the offer of a place would have been conditional on exam results, appeals will be heard within 30 school days of confirmation of those results;