

October 2024

To Whom it May Concern

**Admission Arrangements Consultation - Dartford Science and Technology College -
for admission in September 2026**

Dartford Science and Technology College (DSTC) is required under the School Admissions Code 2021 to review our admissions policies annually and to consult on our arrangements from time to time. The code requires consultation in the following circumstances.

1. When changes are proposed to admission arrangements, all admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements (including any supplementary information form) that will apply for admission applications the following school year.
2. Where the admission arrangements have not changed from the previous year there is no requirement to consult, subject to the requirement that admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements at least once every 7 years, even if there have been no changes during that period.

DSTC is consulting to alter the admissions oversubscription criteria. We propose to add a criterion which would place the staff of children as part of the application of our admission policy. Our proposed change affects criterion 4 of the oversubscription policy, giving priority to:

Children of members of staff where the following applies at the time of application:

- Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application is made; and/or
- The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the school for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

We have attached with the letter a full copy of our admission arrangements.

If you wish to comment on the policy, please email cwilliams@dstc.kent.sch.uk.

This consultation will open on Tuesday 1 October 2024 and any comments relating to the policy will need to be received by Tuesday 12 November 2024.

The final decision and potentially updated admission documentation will be posted on our website in December 2024.

Your faithfully



Miss J Sangster
Principal