TIMELINE FOR UNITED KINGDOM SCHOOL LOCATION

OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND AN OPEN DAY OR REGISTRAR’S TOUR

- Book an Open Day or
- Book a Registrar’s Tour in the summer term.

VISIT THE HOUSEMASTERS AT HOME AND CHOOSE YOUR BOARDING HOUSE

- You have the opportunity to visit up to three Housemasters, including a tour of each house. Please contact housemasterathome@wincoll.ac.uk to arrange your visit.
- If you would like advice about Houses, please contact our team at admissions@wincoll.ac.uk or 01962 621247 and we will be happy to guide you.

PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR REGISTRATION AND PAY THE REGISTRATION FEE

- Please download and complete the Registration Form, which should be returned with your payment of £375. Alternatively, you can request a form from our team via admissions@wincoll.ac.uk.
- Please register by 3 July.
ASSessment and preparation

YOUR SON WILL SIT THE ISEB COMMON PRE-TESTS

- All those applying to Winchester College are required to sit the ISEB Common Pre-Tests.
- The Common Pre-Tests are age-standardised tests which seek to assess a pupil’s attainment and potential. The tests are multiple-choice and cover verbal reasoning, non-verbal reasoning, English and Maths. No preparation is required. The tests may only be taken once in an academic year. Further information can be found on the ISEB website.
- The tests are taken online, usually in your son’s current school. However, if this is not possible, the tests may be taken at an approved test centre.
- Winchester College will register your son for these tests.
- The results will be available to all those schools to which your son is applying.
- At this stage, we will also request a confidential reference from your son’s school.
- We will email you with the results of this stage of your application in early December.

APPLY FOR A BURSARY, IF APPLICABLE

- If you would like to apply for a bursary, please download and submit the Bursary Application Form. Alternatively you can request a form from our Bursary team at bursaries@wincoll.ac.uk or 01962 621138.
- Bursary applications must be submitted by the end of January.

INVITATION TO ATTEND AN INTERVIEW

- If your son is successful in the first stage, we will invite him to an interview in the spring term.
- In May, the Housemaster or Registrar will email you with the result of your son’s interview.

PLEASE ACCEPT YOUR SON’S PLACE AND PAY THE ACCEPTANCE FEE

- If your son is successful, you will receive an offer letter from the Headmaster. This should be signed and returned, along with the Acceptance Fee of £500, by 1 July to secure your son’s place.
- If you applied for a bursary, you will be informed of this decision at the same time.
INVITATION TO THE OUR JOURNEY TOGETHER OPEN MORNING

- The Our Journey Together Open Morning is for families who have accepted a place. This event welcomes you and your son to the school, and helps your family to prepare for the next steps.
- The morning will include talks from the Headmaster and senior leadership team on how to prepare for life at Winchester College. There will be a choice of activities for you and your son, designed to introduce you both to the wide range of opportunities at Winchester.
- The event enables you to see your Housemaster and meet other boys and parents who will be joining your house.

FINAL EXAMS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLY FOR A MUSIC OR SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP, IF SUITABLE

- If your son is a talented musician or exceptional sportsman, you may wish to apply for a Music or Sports Scholarship.

PLEASE SIGN THE PARENT CONTRACT AND PAY THE DEPOSIT

- In early January you will be sent the Parent Contract and accompanying documents by email. Please sign the Acceptance Form and send the deposit by the end of January.

APPLY FOR AN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP, KNOWN AS ELECTION, IF SUITABLE

- Exceptionally bright boys may apply to take part in Election, the academic scholarship exam. Election is taken instead of the Winchester Entrance exam. It is a unique selection process involving both written examinations and interviews.

YOUR SON WILL SIT ELECTION OR ENTRANCE EXAMS

- We will invite your son to sit either Election or Winchester Entrance exams in April or May.
- Election is taken over three days at Winchester. You will hear the results of Election by the end of that week.
- The Entrance exams are taken in your son’s own school or at an approved centre. Your son’s results will be sent by email in May.
YOUR SON’S PLACE WILL BE CONFIRMED

- Your son’s place will be confirmed by email. You will then receive our New Man’s Pack, which includes all the practical information your son needs before joining Winchester, such as our uniform requirements.

INVITATION TO OUR NEW MAN’S DAY

- We look forward to welcoming your son, and his successful peers, to New Man’s Day. This is an enjoyable day, designed to offer advice and support parents and boys as they prepare to join Winchester College the following September.

YOUR SON JOINS THE SCHOOL

YOUR SON’S LIFE AT WINCHESTER COLLEGE BEGINS

- You and your son will be welcomed on the first day of term by the Housemaster, who will remain your main point of contact throughout your son’s time at Winchester.
- In the first few weeks of term, boys will have a full schedule of activities every day so that they can learn about what is on offer at Winchester and they can start to form friendships.
- We understand the importance of your son’s first day, week, month, term and year with us. The House teams, dons, and support staff devote time and care to ensure that each boy settles in and has a happy, successful experience at Winchester.