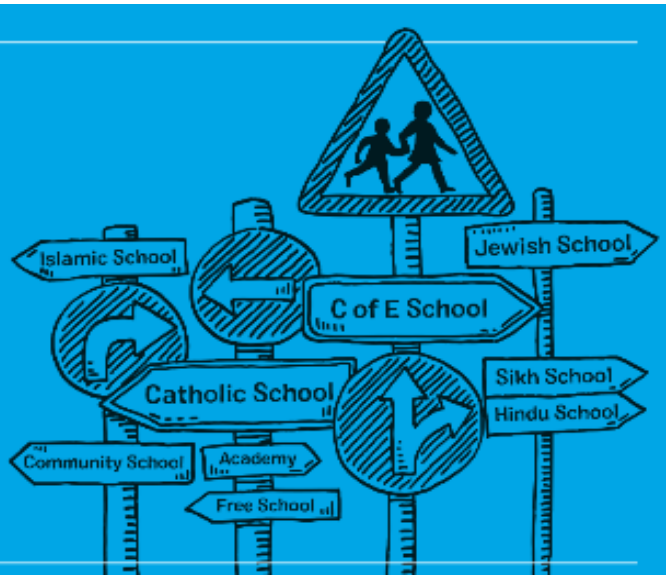
# 2021 Local authority scorecard

## How faith schools restrict choice in England




The local authority scorecard provides information on how faith schools restrict families' choice and access to a secular education across England.

| Select focus > | Medway |
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## 1. School options

This measure looks at the proportion of postcodes in a local authority where the option of a local non-faith school is restricted to various extents. This measure looks at the three nearest schools.

| School choice restriction | None | Low | Medium | High | Extreme |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Percentage of local school that are faith based | 0% | 33% | 50% | 67% | 100% |

### 1a. Primary

| | None | Low | Medium | High | Extreme |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ENGLAND (national figures)** | **28.8** | **40.9** | **0.0** | **23.6** | **6.7** |
| **Medway** | **38.7** | **47.8** | **0.0** | **13.0** | **0.5** |

By this measure, the local authority is the 113th worst performing in England.

### 1b. Secondary

| | None | Low | Medium | High | Extreme |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ENGLAND (national figures)** | **52.9** | **36.8** | **0.0** | **9.1** | **1.2** |
| **Medway** | **73.4** | **26.6** | **0.0** | **0.0** | **0.0** |

By this measure, the local authority is the 130th worst performing in England.

## 2. School options

This measure is the same as above. But it does not count all three nearest schools if the second or third requires more than a mile of additional travel from the closest.

### 2a. Primary

| | None | Low | Medium | High | Extreme |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ENGLAND (national figures) | 33.1 | 34.8 | 3.4 | 17.9 | 11.0 |
| Medway | 41.2 | 44.0 | 0.5 | 12.0 | 2.4 |
| By this measure, the local authority is the | | 113th | worst performing in England. | | |

### 2b. Secondary

| | None | Low | Medium | High | Extreme |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ENGLAND (national figures) | 61.6 | 22.1 | 6.0 | 6.8 | 3.4 |
| Medway | 76.6 | 23.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| By this measure, the local authority is the | | 131st | worst performing in England. | | |

## 3. Proportion of faith schools

| | Primary | Secondary | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| ENGLAND (national figures) | 36.6 | 19.0 | 33.8 |
| Medway | 22.1 | 5.9 | 19.4 |
| By this measure, the local authority is the | 130th | worst performing in England. | |

## 4. Assigned faith schools against preference

This measure looks at the number of pupils assigned a faith school having expressed a first preference for a non-faith school.

### 4a. All

| | Lower preference | Non-preference | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| ENGLAND (national figures) | 16,519 | 4,273 | 20,792 |
| Medway | 75 | 67 | 142 |
| By this measure, the local authority is the | 52nd | worst performing in England. | |

**4b. Primary**

| | Lower preference | Non-preference | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| ENGLAND (national figures) | 6,000 | 1,475 | 7,475 |
| Medway | 17 | 5 | 22 |
| By this measure, the local authority is the | 113th | worst performing in England. | |

**4c. Secondary**

| | Lower preference | Non-preference | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| ENGLAND (national figures) | 10,519 | 2,798 | 13,317 |
| Medway | 58 | 62 | 120 |
| By this measure, the local authority is the | 42nd | worst performing in England. | |

## 5. Notes

**A.** Measures 1, 2 and 3 based on analysis of data from the Get information about schools service open as of download in June 2021.

**B.** Measures 1 and 2 looked at 486,177 postcodes across all local authorities in England.

**C.** Measure 4 based on analysis of freedom of information request for September 2021 entry.

**D.** Ranking in measure 4 is based on % of total applicants with preferences expressed.

**E.** For pupils assigned faith schools against their wishes, FoI response used local authority #887 - Medway - formerly Kent

**F.** 6 Grammar schools are included in Medway. Not all pupils will have access to these schools, meaning that non-faith school options may actually be more restricted.

**G.** Password for protected sheets is "2021" making changes may stop the scorecard working.