

Fair Banding Assessment Supplementary Guidance
Trinity Academy Halifax (TAH) - 330 places

**This information relates to entry into Year 7 in 2025-26
Final deadline for completing and submitting the Fair Banding Registration Form is**

Monday 23 September 2024.

Before continuing, please view our Fair Banding video for a full explanation of how Fair Banding works - follow this link <https://halifax.trinitymat.org/about-us/admissions-prospectus/>

For students interested in applying for a place at TAH, parents/carers will need to register their child to sit a non-verbal reasoning assessment (a Fair Banding Assessment) no later than Monday 23 September 2024.

Note: Applicants can only sit the Fair Banding Assessment once.

Sitting the assessment - Trinity Academy Halifax works collaboratively with many local primary schools to arrange for their Y6 children to sit the assessment in the familiar surroundings of their own classroom, where children feel more comfortable. Please contact your local primary school to establish if they are working with us. If your child attends a school where the assessment is not administered in-house, you will be informed via email and invited to sit the assessment at Trinity Halifax on Saturday 12 October 2024.

Applicants who sit the Fair Banding Assessment will be considered for admission first.

Any applicants who choose not to sit the Fair Banding Assessment will be 'non-banded' and will be ranked in order of priority (after all the banded applicants), with the level of priority then determined with reference to the oversubscription criteria (see Trinity Academy Halifax's

How to register to sit the Fair Banding Assessment:

The parents of students interested in applying to TAH need to complete a Fair Banding Assessment Registration Form – please follow this link <https://forms.office.com/e/0eTSPvdUc2>

A hard copy of the form can also be obtained directly from the academy.

Registration forms are available for completion from Mondayday 1 July 2024 to the deadline of Monday 23 September 2024.

Parents/carers of children who sit the Fair Banding Assessment in October will be informed of the band their child has been allocated to, prior to the national deadline for secondary school applications.

The admission assessment will consist of a nationally validated assessment, supplied by a recognised body such as GL Assessment. The assessment is a predictor of future performance and as such does not rely upon material that will be covered in the primary school curriculum. The results from the assessment are standardised and aged-weighted. Exemplar material, including examples of assessment questions, is available from our academy website or can be obtained directly from the academy.

Important information for all parents/carers:

Parents/carers of Y6 primary school children (regardless of which school they wish to attend) must also complete Calderdale Local Authority's Common Application Form (CAF) for Admissions. Please refer to their website for information on how to apply for a place at a secondary school - <https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/education-and>