

# Starting Primary School

Amstelveen and Ouderkerk aan de Amstel

Enrolment and registration in five steps



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## START



When children reach the age of four, they are eligible for primary education. At the primary schools in Amstelveen and Ouderkerk aan de Amstel there are shared rules for the enrolment and registration of children that are born from the 1st of September 2020. In this leaflet you will find information about the application process for the primary schools in Amstelveen and Ouderkerk aan de Amstel.

Parents with a child born between the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2020 and the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2021 are invited to register their child at a primary school.



You can choose from 23 primary schools in Amstelveen and Ouderkerk aan de Amstel. We advise you to visit several schools before enrolling your child. You can then decide which schools suit your child best. Contact the schools directly and ask for an appointment.

#### Non-participating primary schools

The rules for enrolment do not apply to the following three schools: De Akker, Florencius en Amstelland International School. If you want to apply to one of these primary schools, then contact these schools directly.



#### **PRIORITY AT A SCHOOL**

Your child has priority status on the four primary schools that are nearest to your child's home address. These four priority schools (voorrangsscholen) are determined by the walking distance between the primary schools and the home address.

*Vrije School Parcival, School of Understanding and IBS Elif are an exception to this rule. Any child that lives in Amstelveen or Ouderkerk aan de Amstel has equal priority at these schools (the home adress is irrelevant).* 

Children who have the three schools in Ouderkerk aan de Amstel as priority school and choose these schools as their first three schools, have a guaranteed place at one of these schools.

Children living in Nes aan de Amstel have a guaranteed place at De Zwaluw if this school is the first choice and the school closest by to the home address.

By entering your child's home address on www.amstelveen.nl/basisonderwijs you will find the primary schools in your vicinity and the schools where your child has priority.

# 2 Enrolment

You can enrol your child at any primary school in Amstelveen or Ouderkerk aan de Amstel, priority schools as well as non-priority schools. Enrolling at a primary school can only be done by submitting the enrolment form (aanmeldformulier) to the school of your first preference. Together with the leaflet, the enrolment form with the pre-printed name and address of your child, was sent to you.

- Please check the pre-printed personal data on the form, such as your child's date of birth, name and address. If the data contain errors, please correct them on the enrolment form.
- Fill in at least four schools; put your first preference at number 1; put your second preference at number 2 and so on. These may be priority schools, but this is not a requirement.
- Fill out the enrolment form completely and don't forget to sign it.
- Submit the form at the school of your first preference before the deadline. The deadline depends on the date of birth of your child.

Date of birth	Closing date application
1 September 2020 to 31 december 2020	23 January 2024
1 January 2021 to 30 April 2021	30 May 2024
1 May 2021 to 31 August 2021	3 October 2024

Within 10 days after submitting the enrolment form you will receive an e-mail with your proof of enrolment. Please check the details on this proof of enrolment. If it contains any error or you want to change the order of your preferred schools, contact the school before the deadline.

#### I don't have an enrolment form

Contact one of the schools or the helpdesk and ask for an enrolment form, or visit **www.basisscholenamstelveen-ouderkerk.nl** to download a form.

#### **Always enrol!**

If an older sister or brother already attends the school of your preference, you still need to enrol your younger child by submitting an enrolment form to this school. A place is guaranteed.

#### You have a written confirmation for a place

Even if you have a *written confirmation* for a place at a specific school, it is still necessary to confirm this place at this school. Please return the form and a copy of the written confirmation to the school of your first preference. The deadline (which you can found below) depends on the date of birth of your child. After the deadline has passed written confirmations are no longer valid.

Date of birth	Closing date written confirmations
1 September 2020 to 31 december 2020	7 December 2023
1 January 2021 to 30 April 2021	24 January 2024
1 May 2021 to 31 August 2021	28 March 2024



## **3** Placement

After de enrolment deadline has passed, all enrolled children (from the same period of birth) will be placed during the official placement.

During the placement every child will be placed at the school of their highest possible preference. If there are enough places at your first preferred school, your child will be placed there.

When your child cannot be placed at the school of first preference, he/she will be placed at the second school of preference, or third, et cetera.

If your child cannot be placed at one of the preferred schools, he/she is eligible for a place at one of the remaining priority schools. These schools were not specified by you, but are added to your proof of enrolment.



#### THE ORDER OF ALLOCATION OF ENROLLED CHILDREN

#### Placement at the school of first preference is as follows:

- 1. An older sister/brother is registered at the school when your child reaches the age of four; a place is guaranteed.
- Your child has attended, for at least two half-days a week for a year, day-care at the IKC (Integraal Kindcentrum) or MKC (Montessori Kindcentrum) and has priority status at the school.
- 3. The child has priority status at the school.
- 4. The child does not have priority status at the school but lives in Amstelveen or Ouderkerk aan de Amstel.

### Placement for all the children who are not placed at their school of first preference is as follows:

- 5. The child has priority status at the schools of their second to sixth choice.
- 6. The child has no priority at the schools of their second to sixth choice and lives in Amstelveen or Ouderkerk aan de Amstel.
- 7. The child does not live in Amstelveen or Ouderkerk aan de Amstel.



Rules 1 – 4 only apply to the school of first preference. Rule 2 applies to MKC Mio Mondo, Kindercampus King and De Horizon; one year refers to the time period before the fourth birthday. After rule 4 for the two Montessori schools (MKC Mio Mondo and De Linde) the following applications have first priority: Aalsmeer (including Kudelstaart), Uithoorn (including De Kwakel) Oude Meer and Aalsmeerderbrug. After that rule 5 to 7 apply.

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## **4** Registration

After the placement, you will receive a letter from the school where your child has been placed. This letter contains the registration deadline before which you must notify the school that you want to use the allocated place for your child. Please make sure your child is registered in time! Placement is only certain when registration has been completed.

In exceptional circumstances the school may, decide not to allocate a place to a child if special care (which the school cannot provide) is needed. This school is obliged to find a suitable place for the child in consultation with the parents.

Yes!

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## **5** Starting school

SCHOOL

Your child has reached the age of four and will start in the first group of primary school. The date for the first day at school will be arranged together with the school.

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### **More information**



#### www.basisscholenamstelveen-ouderkerk.nl

On this website of the school boards you can find information about the schools and the central placement system. Scan the QR-code with your phone and visit the website.



#### www.amstelveen.nl/basisonderwijs

On this website of the municipality you can find the schools in Amstelveen and Ouderkerk aan de Amstel.

- After filling in your child's home address, you will find the schools with priority status and the other schools in order of proximity to the address.
- This website contains links to the website of each primary school.

#### Helpdesk Toelatingsbeleid

If you need help or have questions, you can contact the helpdesk: By email: helpdesk@basisscholenamstelveen-ouderkerk.nl By phone: 020 - 426 24 67

#### **Schools and boards**

Every school and school board is available for questions. More information about the schools can be found on the website of each school.

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