

# Student Admission Arrangements & Criteria

All student referrals are made through the Devon County Council Local Authority 0-25 SEND Commissioning Team based at County Hall in Exeter and reviewed by this team on a minimum weekly basis.

For contact details please check the Devon LA website: phone:

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/special-educational-needs-and-disability-send-local-offer>

01392 383000 (*voice activated directory*)

## **Peters Marland Residential School site eligibility criteria:**

Termly residential only – Catchment area: Devon County +

Boys only / age 10-16 (Y6-Y11) – 40 places

Statement of SEN or Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) for BESD / SEMH and/or associated complex needs

## **Springfield Court, Barnstaple Day School site eligibility criteria:**

Day only – Catchment area: North Devon

Co-educational age 8-16 (Y4-Y11) – 36 places

Statement of SEN or Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) for BESD / SEMH and/or associated complex needs

## **Application Process**

1. Referral from the DCC commissioners (DCC LA 0-25 SEN Team)
2. Comprehensive application reports compiled by the DCC commissioners and referred to the School
3. Analysis of the application reports by the school to assess eligibility and suitability
4. If deemed potentially suitable, the following are undertaken (*\*if appropriate and/or where possible / feasible*):
  - a. Observation visit by Marland staff to the current school (\*)
  - b. Observation visit by Marland staff to home (\*)
  - c. Informal pre-visit to Marland by parents/carers (*and student if appropriate*)
  - d. Discussion with existing link professionals involved with the student (\*)
  - e. Interview with senior staff at the school – student and parent/s (*essential*)
  - f. Feedback and recommendation from the school to the DCC commissioners
5. DCC commissioners make the final decision whether to commission a place at Marland School
6. If agreed the School set a start date (usually within 2 weeks of interview), detailing arrangements for transport (where appropriate)

## **Oversubscription Criteria**

Prioritisation of student placement would be informed by / in full consultation with our Commissioners (DCC LA 0-25 SEN Team) and based upon the following criteria:

- Eligibility (age, SEND and gender)
- Match of resource to meet referred students' SEND
- Compatibility of referred student need to existing cohort needs
- Satisfactory risk assessment of any applicable Health & Safety issues or needs