

# THE BISHOP'S STORTFORD HIGH SCHOOL

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## APTITUDE INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS SEPTEMBER 2025



### Sporting Aptitude Test

Applicants to the school wishing to apply for a place under criterion 5 which states that:

*Up to 9 places will be allocated to pupils with a proven aptitude in sport*

will need to take a Sporting Aptitude Test. The test will consist of different activities testing the following areas of sporting aptitude:

- Speed
- Endurance
- Hand/Eye Co-ordination
- Agility

Whilst no previous experience in a particular sport is required in order to take the test, it is expected that applicants wishing to apply under this criterion have an interest in sport, and we would expect them to participate fully in the sporting life of the school should they gain a place.

The test will be administered at **The Bishop's Stortford High School on Tuesday 8 October 2024** (time TBC) and you will be notified of the time as soon as possible **after 1 October 2024 via email**. The test will take approximately one hour and you will need to make your own arrangements for bringing your son to the school and for collecting him after the test.

**It will not be possible to take the test after 8 October 2024.**

### Musical Aptitude Test

Applicants to the school wishing to apply for a place under criterion 5, which states that:

*Up to 9 places will be allocated to pupils with a proven aptitude in music*

will need to take a Musical Aptitude Test. This test will consist of 60 multiple choice questions, 15 on each of the following areas of musical awareness:

- Pitch
- Rhythm
- Melody
- Texture

Applicants will listen to the questions on a CD, the running time of which is approximately 35 minutes. Parents are, however, advised to allow an hour overall for the test's completion.

Whilst no previous musical experience is required in order to take the test, it is expected that applicants wishing to apply under this criterion have an interest in music, and we would expect them to participate fully in the musical life of the school should they gain a place.

The test will take place at **The Bishop's Stortford High School on Friday 4 October 2024** (time TBC). You will be notified of the time as soon as possible **after the 1 October 2024 via email**. If you have not heard from the school by 3 October, please contact us.

**It will not be possible to take the test after 4 October 2024.**

**Please ensure the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) is returned by 4.00pm on Thursday 26 September 2024. Applications received after this time will not be considered.**