

# Equal Preference Scheme

- ❖ It is a framework for all admission procedures
  - dates, forms, who does what, etc
  
- ❖ All Authorities are similar
  
- ❖ Advantage – all preferences are considered at the same time
  
- ❖ The school you name highest would normally be the centre/school you want most
  - (1) Brownfield (school you want most)
  - (2) Greenfield
  - (3) Bluefield

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- ❖ The admission policy for each school is applied to the child's application (along with others)
- ❖ At this point it does not matter whether the school has been listed as 1, 2 or 3 – not considered
- ❖ All choices to be treated **equally**
- ❖ All applicants are put into order according to the school's oversubscription criteria/ admission policy
- ❖ The school will fill its places, taking children in order of criterion

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- ❖ Local Authority undertakes Community School and controlled applications
- ❖ Voluntary Aided/Trust Schools and Academies undertake their applications
- ❖ If more than one school can offer a place, then **and only then** does the order of preference get looked at
- ❖ You can only receive one offer (highest of those able to offer a place)
- ❖ Offer letters will be sent out on 1st March 2012
- ❖ What happens if no schools can offer a place?