

Manwood's Appeals Information Evening

Tuesday 20th October





Should We Appeal?

The Kent Test pass mark for the Dover area (and across the entire county) for the 2026 entry/results cycle is a total score of 345 or more out of 423, with no individual score lower than 111 in English, Maths, or Reasoning.

Pupil X has a total score of 322.

Maths: 108

English: 116

Reasoning: 98

Pupil Y has a total score of 324.

Maths: 108

English: 108

Reasoning: 108

Pupil Z has a total score of 345.

Maths: 105

English: 110

Reasoning: 130



How to Appeal



Date	Event
Monday 2/11/2026	Deadline to apply for a secondary school place online. To appeal for a place at SRMS you must list SRMS on the SCAF (Secondary Common Application Form).
Monday 1/3/2027	National Offer Day
Monday 15/3/2027	Deadline to accept or refuse
Tuesday 13/4/2027	Deadline to lodge an appeal and uploading evidence using the on-line appeal form for admission into Year 7 in September 2027 – any evidence received after this date may not be accepted by the panel
At least 14 days prior to the hearing	You will receive the time and date of your hearing by email to the email address on your appeal form. Please check junk folder regularly so that this is not missed. You will receive a copy of the paperwork you have submitted for your appeal, a copy of the school's case and the names of the panel members shortly after this
Week commencing 11th May 2026	Appeal Hearings (subject to availability of panel members). Appeal hearings for admission will take place via Zoom Conferencing
Within 7 calendar days of the last hearing	You will receive an email setting out the decision made by the Independent Appeal Panel. A detailed letter will follow thereafter. SRMS will also be informed of the outcome and, if your appeal has been upheld, will contact you with information regarding the enrolment process



- **If you put a grammar school as your first choice on the SCAF, it will be automatically rejected if your child has not passed the Kent test**
- **Consider accepting other offers**
 - This will not affect your appeal, nor limit other options available to you
- **If appealing, you must put SRMS on the SCAF**
- **If you list SRMS on the SCAF and subsequently decide to accept a place at another school, you do not have to appeal.**
- **You may withdraw your appeal at any time by letting the school and/or the appeal panel know in writing.**
- **Even if your appeal is upheld, you do not have to accept the place.**

How to Support an Appeal

1. Your child's perspective of the test.





How to Support an Appeal

2. Evidence Gathering: factual, statistical evidence

Reading Test
Data

NGRT/Star
Reader/AR

CATS Scores

Mock SATS
data

Further Kent
Test Practice
Papers

Grammar
tests

How to Support an Appeal

3. What your child can do.



Why Manwood's Still



External Testimonies

- Headteacher letter
- Teacher letter
- Tutor letter
- SEND information
- Extra-curricular testimony





The Strongest Appeals

- Scores within reason
- A narrative as to what happened on the day
- Statistical evidence over time demonstrating Grammar school ability
- The determination to learn and work hard with support from home
- Manwood's being the best fit.
- Headteacher/teacher/external testament