

## Consultation on the Proposed Reduction in the Published Admission Number for September 2026

### About the Academy

City of London Academy Highgate Hill, in partnership with Islington Council and part of the City of London family of schools, is an inclusive, co-educational, non-denominational school that welcomes all children and families, including those with special needs.

### Proposed Changes to Admissions

The Academy is consulting on a proposed change (reduction) in the PAN from September 2026 from the current PAN of 140 to a PAN of 120.

All other admissions criteria as stated in our current Admissions Policy will remain unchanged. The Academy retains its commitment to being an inclusive school and our existing admissions criteria support this intention. For a copy of our existing Admissions Policy, please visit our website:

<https://www.highgatehill.col.a.org.uk/admissions3/225.html>

### Rationale

- There is a decline in the school age population in Islington and neighbouring Boroughs which is projected to continue. With that, there is a declining demand for secondary school places. The Academy is currently under-roll in all year groups and we are anticipating that this will continue if we maintain the PAN at the current number of 140 in years 7-11. We are seeking to reduce the PAN in anticipation of this demographic trend impacting recruitment of students to the Academy.
- Having a planned reduction in the PAN will assist in the forward planning of staffing of the Academy. This will reduce the risk of the Academy being overstaffed and underfunded, which would compromise our ability to offer an outstanding educational experience to the students in our care.

### Consultation

For the reasons stated above, we are consulting on a reduction in the Academy's PAN from 140 to 120 from September 2026.

All relevant stakeholders are invited to share their views on this change to the PAN. Should you wish to submit your comments, please email Sabrina Baptista [s.baptista@highgatehill.col.a.org.uk](mailto:s.baptista@highgatehill.col.a.org.uk). Please include 'PAN Consultation' in the subject line of the email.

This consultation will open Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024 and will close on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025.