

PRIVACY NOTICE FOR JOB APPLICANTS

Under data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how the school uses any personal data that we hold about them. We comply with this right by providing 'privacy notices' (sometimes called 'fair processing notices') to individuals where we are processing their personal data. This privacy notice explains how we collect, store and use personal data about individuals applying for jobs at our school.

Successful candidates should refer to our privacy notice for the school staff for information about how their personal data is collected, stored and used.

We, Aylesbury Grammar School, are the 'data controller' for the purposes of data protection law. Our data protection lead is Mrs E Harrington-Jones (see 'Contact us').

We may need to update this privacy notice periodically, so we recommend that you revisit this information from time to time. This version was last updated on **27th May 2026**.

THE PERSONAL DATA WE HOLD

We process data relating to those applying to work at our school. Personal data that we may collect, use, store and share (when appropriate) about you includes, but is not restricted to:

- Contact details
- Copies of right to work documentation
- References
- Evidence of qualifications
- Employment records, including work history, job titles, training records and professional memberships
- We will also carry out an online search about you for information that is publicly available online. This will include social media accounts you may hold. This will only be carried out on shortlisted candidates and before interview.

We may also collect, store and use information about you that falls into "special categories" of more sensitive personal data. This includes information about (where applicable):

- Race, ethnicity, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, and political opinions
- Disability and access requirements

WHY WE USE THIS DATA

The purpose of processing this data is to aid the recruitment process by:

- Enabling us to establish relevant experience and qualifications
- Facilitating safe recruitment, as part of our safeguarding obligations towards pupils
- Enabling equalities monitoring
- Ensuring that appropriate access arrangements can be provided for candidates that require them.

OUR LAWFUL BASIS FOR USING THIS DATA

We only collect and use personal information about you when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we use it where we need to:

- Comply with a legal obligation
- Carry out a task in the public interest

Less commonly, we may also use personal information about you where:

- You have given us consent to use it in a certain way
- We need to protect your vital interests (or someone else's interests)
- We have legitimate interests in processing the data

Where you have provided us with consent to use your data, you may withdraw this consent at any time. We will make this clear when requesting your consent, and explain how you go about withdrawing consent if you wish to do so.

Some of the reasons listed above for collecting and using personal information about you overlap, and there may be several grounds which justify the school's use of your data.

COLLECTING THIS INFORMATION

While the majority of information we collect from you is mandatory, there is some information that you can choose whether or not to provide to us. Whenever we seek to collect information from you, we make it clear whether you must provide this information (and if so, what the possible consequences are of not complying), or whether you have a choice.

HOW WE STORE THIS DATA

Personal data we collect as part of the job application process is stored in line with our Data Protection Policy.

We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent personal information from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed. We will dispose of personal data securely when we no longer need it. Our Data Protection Policy sets out how long we keep personal information and can be found on our website.

DATA SHARING

We do not share information about you with any third party without your consent unless the law and our policies allow us to do so.

TRANSFERRING DATA INTERNATIONALLY

Where we transfer personal data to a country or territory outside the European Economic Area, we will do so in accordance with data protection law.

YOUR RIGHTS

HOW TO ACCESS PERSONAL INFORMATION WE HOLD ABOUT YOU

Individuals have a right to make a 'subject access request' to gain access to personal information that the school holds about them. If you make a subject access request, and if we do hold information about you, we will:

- Give you a description of it

- Tell you why we are holding and processing it, and how long we will keep it for
- Explain where we got it from, if not from you
- Tell you who it has been, or will be, shared with
- Let you know whether any automated decision-making is being applied to the data, and any consequences of this
- Give you a copy of the information in an intelligible form

If you would like to make a request, please contact our data protection lead (see 'Contact us' below).

You may also have the right for your personal information to be transmitted electronically to another organisation in certain circumstances.

YOUR OTHER RIGHTS REGARDING YOUR DATA

Under data protection law, individuals have certain rights regarding how their personal data is used and kept safe. You have the right to:

- Object to the use of your personal data if it would cause, or is causing, damage or distress
- Prevent your data being used to send direct marketing
- Object to the use of your personal data for decisions being taken by automated means (by a computer or machine, rather than by a person)
- In certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data corrected, deleted or destroyed, or restrict processing
- Claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the data protection regulations
- Where we are processing your personal data with your consent, you have the right to withdraw that consent

To exercise any of these rights, please contact our data protection lead (see 'Contact us' below).

COMPLAINTS

We take any complaints about our collection and use of personal information very seriously.

If you think that our collection or use of personal information is unfair, misleading or inappropriate, or have any other concern about our data processing, please raise this with us in the first instance.

To make a complaint, please contact our data protection lead (see 'Contact us' below).

Alternatively, you can make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office:

- Report a concern online at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>
- Call 0303 123 1113
- Or write to: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

CONTACT US

If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information about anything mentioned in this privacy notice, please contact, in the first instance our data protection lead:

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