

Joining Secondary Education Parent Information

September/October

The primary school provides you with information about the POVO¹ (primary and secondary education) procedure and the timeline.

September/October

The primary school can, with your permission, register your child for advice or examination at Sterk VO.

November

You and your child can attend secondary education open days.

January

The primary school has given your child a provisional level recommendation. This is based, among other things, on data from the pupil monitoring system, work attitude and motivation.

February/March

Your child can attend an open class afternoon at a secondary school.

February

Your child takes the progression test.

March

The primary school receives the results of the progression test by March 15th at the latest.

March

The primary school gives your child a recommendation regarding the choice of secondary school no later than March 24th. This recommendation is binding.

April

Your child is **admissible** and there are **sufficient places** at the preferred school.

April

Your child is placed at the preferred school.

March/April

With your permission, the primary school registers your child digitally with secondary schools. You draw up a preference list for this.

April

Your child is **admissible**, but there are **not enough places** at the preferred school.

April

Consult "Route to take in case of over-registration".

*There are three grounds on which a school can reject a student:

- 1. The primary school's recommendation does not correspond to the level of education offered by the secondary school.
- 2. The education and support offered by the school of registration is not sufficient for the additional educational support a student needs.
- 3. The student does not meet the additional admission criteria, as determined in advance and announced by this school.

March/April

Your child is **not admissible** and is **rejected** from the preferred school.

March/April

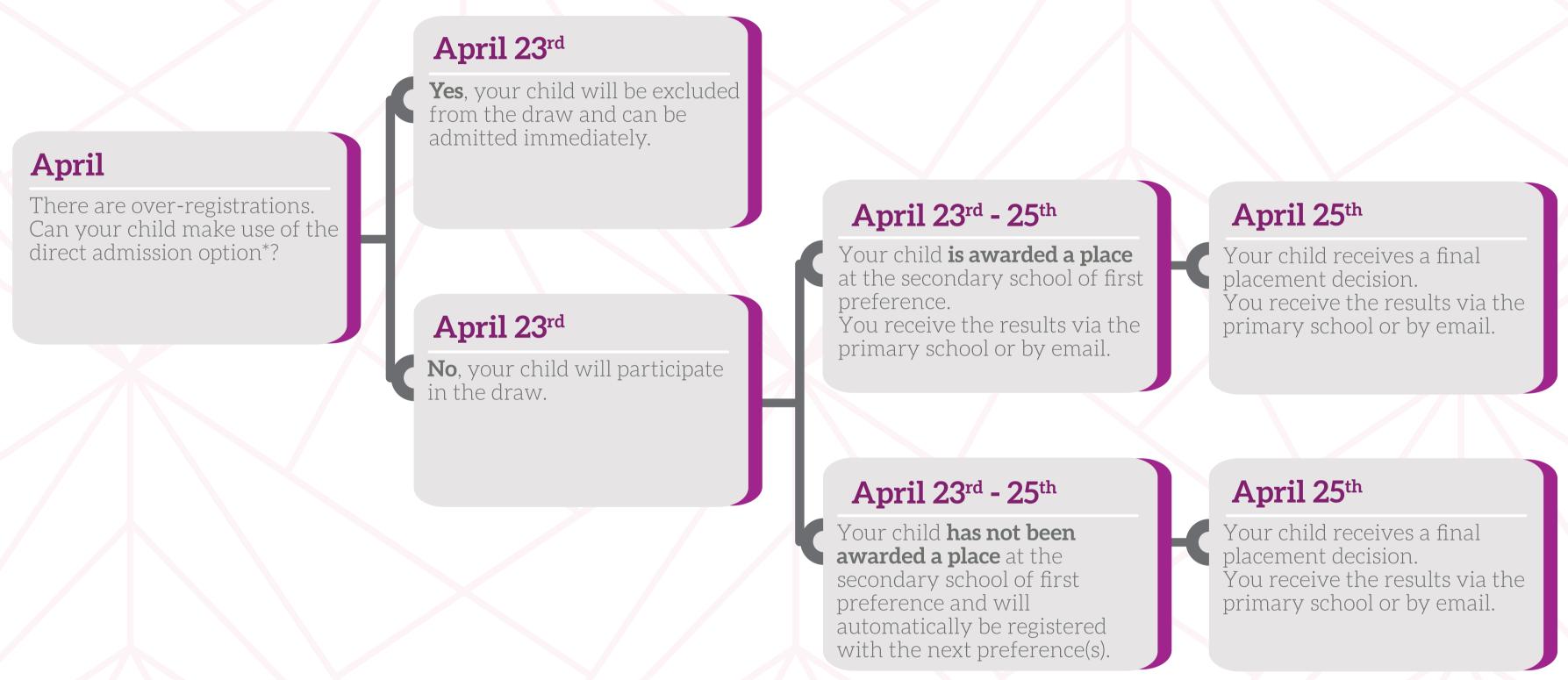
The primary school discusses the rejection with you. You can then choose another secondary school.

Route to take in case of over-registration

What to do in case of over-registration?

If a school has more registrations than places at the educational level for which students have registered, a draw will be held among the students who are eligible for that educational level. Students living in the municipality of Stichtse Vecht have priority, but this only applies to the first preference. The draw categories are multiple (with the exception of the single vwo² recommendation) as are, expectedly, most level recommendations. In the case of a single recommendation, students are drawn in the draw category that considers the single recommendation as the lowest recommendation, for example, students with a tl³ recommendation are drawn in the tl-havo⁴ category.

For a possible placement in Stichtse Vecht, it is recommended to put at least two schools from Stichtse Vecht on the preference list for vmbo-bbl⁵, vmbo-kader⁶, vmbo-tl⁷, havo⁸ and vwo level. However, if a school with a placement guarantee is on the list (an overview of schools with a placement guarantee can be found on the secondary education (vo) website no later than October 13th), it does not matter how many schools in total are on the list.



- * There are two grounds on which a school can admit a student directly:
- 1. Students with specific support needs. In exceptional cases, a secondary school may decide to exempt a student with specific support needs from the draw.
- 2. Students for whom a deferred placement decision applies. For some students, the secondary education department needs a longer period to determine whether the school can meet the student's support needs. In that case, schools can extend the registration period from 6 weeks to 10.

²Pre-university education

³Theoretical learning pathway

⁴Theoretical learning pathway at senior general secondary education level

⁵Block or day release at prevocational secondary education level

⁶Gaining practical knowledge while in prevocational secondary education ⁷Theoretical learning pathway at prevocational secondary education level

⁸Senior general secondary education