

DBULLETIN

New Dates for Academy Conversions

Until recently, Schools wishing to convert to academy status have been advised that the conversion dates are the start of each term, the next available conversion date being 1 September 2011.

However the Department for Education (DfE) has recently confirmed that Schools will now be able to convert to academy status on the first day of each calendar month. Schools wishing to convert on or prior to 1 September 2011 should be aware of the dates listed below.

Applications to Convert

This must be received by the DfE by:

Converting on 1 May	: 31 January 2011
Converting on 1 June	: 9 March 2011
Converting on 1 July	: 8 April 2011
Converting on 1 August	: 11 May 2011
Converting on 1 September	: 10 June 2011

Draft Funding Agreements (including all Annexes, Leases / Directions to Transfer)

These must be sent to the DfE for policy clearance by:

Converting on 1 May	: 18 March 2011
Converting on 1 June	: 27 April 2011
Converting on 1 July	: 27 May 2011
Converting on 1 August	: 21 June 2011
Converting on 1 September	: 27 July 2011

Signed Funding Agreements

This must be received by the DfE by:

Converting on 1 May	: 1 April 2011
Converting on 1 June	: 11 May 2011
Converting on 1 July	: 10 June 2011
Converting on 1 August	: 5 July 2011
Converting on 1 September	: 10 August 2011

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