



St. Joseph's Secondary School

ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE

in respect of admissions to the 2024/2025 school year

Admission Policy and Application Form

A copy of the school's **Admission Policy** and the **Application Form for Admission** for the 2024/25 is available as follows: –

To download at: www.droghedacbs.ie

On request: By emailing: info@droghedacbs.ie or writing to: **St. Joseph's Secondary School, Newfoundwell Road, Drogheda, Co. Louth, A92 EC62**

School Roll: 63840C

Part 1 – Admissions to the 2024/25 School Year

Application and Decision Dates for admission to First Year 2024

The following are the dates applicable for admission to First Year 2024

The school will commence accepting applications for admission on	Monday 2nd October 2023
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on	Monday 23rd October 2023
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is	Friday 17th November 2023
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is*	Wednesday 29th November 2023

***Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn. Note: the school will consider and issue decisions on late applications in accordance with the school's Admission Policy.**

Special Class Application and Decision Dates for admission to the 2024/25 school year

The following are the dates applicable for admission to the school's special class

The school will commence accepting applications for admission to the special class on	Monday 2nd October 2023
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission to the special class on	Monday 23rd October 2023
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application for admission to the special class is	Friday 22nd March 2024
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission to the special class is*	Friday 5th April 2024

***Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn.**

Number of places being made available in the 2024/2025 school year

The number of available places in first year	210
The number of places being made available in the special class catering for children who have a diagnosis of autism meeting DSM IV/V or ICD diagnostic criteria.	2

St. Josephs Secondary School will cooperate with the National Council for Special Education in the performance by the Council of its functions under the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Act 2004 relating to the provision of education to children with special educational needs, including in particular by the provision and operation of a special class or classes when requested to do so by the Council. St. Joseph's Secondary School will comply with any direction served on the patron or the board of management, as the case may be, under section 37A and any direction served on the board of management under section 67(4B) of the Education Act.

Prior to the commencement of Section 62 of the Education (Admission to Schools) Act, 2018 on 1 February 2020, St. Joseph's Secondary School has compiled a waiting list and provided written confirmation to applicants that they are on this list.

The total number of school places in 2024/2025 first year is 210. The number of applicants on the waiting list is 32.

PART 2 - Admissions to the 2023/2024 school year

Information regarding the admission process for the Intake Group for 1st year for the 2023/24 school year

In respect of 2023/2024 school year, the total number of applications for admission received by the school for 1st year was 363.

Breakdown of places allocated for the 2022/23 school year:	
Number of places available:	210
Number of applications received:	363
Number of Offers made and accepted under each criterion:	<p>a) Applicants who have a sibling currently attending the school. Offered 47, Accepted 34</p> <p>b) Applicants who have a sibling who is a past pupil of the school Offered 25, Accepted 9</p> <p>c) Applicants from the feeder primary schools (as listed per policy): Offered 153, Accepted 98</p> <p>d) Other: Offered 138, Accepted 69</p>
Total number of offers made	363
Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned.	0