



Application Form for entry into First Year 2012

(It is essential that all the information requested on this application form is completed.
Incomplete application forms will not be processed)

Surname of pupil: First name:

Pupil's date of birth: Nationality:

Pupil's P. P. S. Number: Medical Card Yes No

Home address:

Home telephone no: email:

Primary school: Current class:

Medical conditions if any:

Please submit latest school report.

Mother's name: Father's name:

Address: Address:

Telephone No: Telephone No:

Occupation: Occupation:

Mobile no: Mobile no:

Maiden Name:

Religion: Parish:

Number of children in the family Boys: Girls:

Names of brothers who attend or attended St Declan's:

Is the father a past-pupil of the school? Yes No Years of attendance:

Signature of father: Signature of mother:

Return to: St Declan's College, Nephin Road, Cabra, Dublin 7.

If you require an acknowledgement of receipt of your Application Form, please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope and it will be sent to you as soon as possible after 30 September.

Latest date for receipt of completed application forms for enrolment is the last school day in September of the year in which the pupil is in 6th Class.

Extract from Admissions Policy.

St Declan's College is a Catholic Voluntary Secondary School for boys only which welcomes all students for whom the school can provide an appropriate education. The school aims to provide an integrated and inclusive education in the spirit of Edmund Rice and in accordance with the Edmund Rice Schools Trust Charter.

Each year the Board of Management will have to decide the number of First Year students for whom the school can provide an appropriate education, having regard to the facilities, personnel, plant and resources.

The school will use the resources, both financial and personnel, provided by the Department of Education and Skills, to make reasonable provision and accommodation for students with disabilities or special educational needs so that these students are free to participate in the life of the school in so far as is reasonably practicable. While recognising and fully supporting parents' rights to have a school of their choice for their children, the school's ability to accept students with particular needs are dependent on resources, suitable to the needs of the individual student, being supplied by the Department of Education and Skills. The College welcomes applications from students with special educational needs unless the nature and degree of those needs is such that to enrol the student concerned would be inconsistent with both the best interests of the student concerned and the effective provision of education for the other students with whom the student concerned is to be educated.

The Board of Management needs to be aware of any special needs as early as possible so that these needs can be assessed and addressed if possible.

In making provision for special needs students, the following information is required:

Has the student had access to any of the following resources?
Please tick as appropriate:

1. Special needs assistant or classroom assistant Yes _____ No _____
2. Special class. Yes _____ No _____
3. Help for specific needs from any resource teacher. Yes _____ No _____
4. Assistance with behavioural modification. Yes _____ No _____
5. Psychological assessment. Yes _____ No _____
Report if available must be provided.
6. Any additional resources to help with their special needs. Yes _____ No _____
7. Help in areas including visual impairment, hearing impairment, general learning disability or emotional disturbance. Yes _____ No _____
8. Any resource in relation to travel or mobility. etc. Yes _____ No _____

PUPILS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION.

Boys who

- will have reached 12 years of age on the 1st January in the calendar year following the child's entry into 1st Year
- have completed Sixth Class in Primary School or equivalent
- are willing to accept the school ethos
- are willing, with parents/guardians, to accept the school Code of Behaviour. Confirmation in writing is required that parents/guardians and student accept the Code of Behaviour
- are willing to take an Assessment Test (a place having already been offered)

N.B:In the event of the school having more applications than places available, the following criteria will be applied in the following order.

1. Brothers of pupils past or present
2. Sons of past pupils
3. Sons of staff members
4. Pupils from the parish of the Most Precious Blood who attend designated feeder schools (Proof of residency may be sought in the form of two recent utility bills)
5. Remaining places are then allocated to pupils as follows:
 - a) Pupils in a school designated by the St Declan's College Board of Management as a recognised feeder school and who live in the parish in which that school is located will be accorded priority over other pupils in accordance with the quotas allocated to each feeder school by the Board of Management. If there are more such applicants than places available, random selection will apply
 - b) Any remaining places will be allocated using a random selection process from all remaining applicants

Exceptional cases may be decided at the discretion of the Board of Management without referral to the above.

Should a student's application for admission not be accepted the parent(s)/guardian(s) has the right of appeal, in the first instance to the Board of Management and in the final instance to the Secretary General of the Department of Education and Skills (Education Act 1998, Section 29 (d)).

Late applications will only be considered after all applications received on time have been processed.

The Admissions Policy is reviewed annually by the Board of Management.
This policy was ratified on 13 October, 2009.

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