

Annual Admission Notice 2026/2027

The following Annual Admission Notice has been prepared by the board of St Colman's Community College in respect of the admission of students to the school for the school year 2026/2027. This notice was published on 23/09/2025

Total number of places available in First Year Group: [Note: this number is subject to reduction if a student(s) awarded a place in the Special Class is/are due to be part of the First Year Group.]	216
<i>Note: The figures set out below in relation to the Special Class are subject to change dependent on whether current students in the Special Class(es) (This is an Autism Spectrum support class) retain their place in the special class and whether a student(s) transfers into the special after the publication of this Notice.</i>	
Total number of available places in Special Class(es):	

A copy of St Colman's Community College Admission Policy is available at	School website www.colmans.ie
	School Office for printed copy
An online Application Form for admission to St Colmans is available on the school website from 01/10/2025.	An online application form is available on the School website at www.colmans.ie

All applications to the First Year Group or the Special Class (for ALL year groups) in St Colman's Community College will only be accepted from 01/10/2025 at 9am and the closing date for receipt of applications is the 23/10/2025 at 4pm. Applications received after this date will be considered and processed as late applications in accordance with the school's Admission Policy.

All transfer applications to Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Year or Sixth Year Group in St Colman's Community College will only be accepted after the 01/03/2026 and the closing date for receipt of applications is the 27/03/2025. Applications received after this date will be considered and processed as late applications in accordance with the school's Admission Policy.

Equally, any transfer applications received during the current academic year, *i.e.* before June 2026, to transfer into a year group immediately, will be treated as a late application where the application window for transferring into the school for the academic year 2025/2026 took place during the previous academic year and anyone who did not receive a place at that time was put on a waiting list. Therefore, any available places that arise in that year group during the 2025/2026 academic year will be filled from that waiting list, until that list expires at the end of the academic year 2025/2026.

Please be reminded that, in line with the school's Admission Policy and the Education (Admission to Schools) Act 2018, all waiting lists going forward are only in place for the academic year to which they apply. Therefore, if a student is seeking a place in the Special Class and is not successful in a given academic year or is on a waiting list for this year, a new application must be made for the following year.

All applicants to the First-Year mainstream Group will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:	04/11/2025
Successful applicants to the First Year mainstream group must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before: 18/11/2025 @ 4pm	18/11/2025
Note: Failure to accept an offer of admission before the relevant deadline set out above may result in the offer being withdrawn.	

St Colmans's Community College 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 education needs' including in particular by the provision and operation of a special class or classes when requested to do so by the Council.

St Colman's Community College will comply with any direction served on the patron or the board 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.

Last year the school was oversubscribed and the following is a breakdown of the award of places:

The number of applications to St Colman's Community College for the First-Year Group exceeded the 216 number of places available within the school in 2025/2026.

Number of places available:	216
Number of applications received:	406
Number of offers made:	216
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	<p>Brothers and sisters of pupils who are currently attending the school = 93</p> <p>Brothers or sisters of students who have attended the school in the past = 24</p> <p>Children who are the first in family and attend a named feeder primary school = 184</p> <p>Children who are not the first in family and attend a named feeder primary school = 81</p> <p>All other applicants = 24</p>

The number of applications to St Colman's Community College for the Special Class(es) exceeded the places available within the school in 2025/2026.

Number of places available:	7
Number of applications received:	21
Number of offers made:	7
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	<i>1 students from category 1 6 students from category 3</i>