

St Finian's College

ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE FOR 2027-2028

Copies of the school's **Admission Policy** and the **Application Form for Admission** for the 2026-2027 school year are available as follows: –

To complete at: www.stfinianscollege.ie

The Application process will be fully online.

1. Application and Decision Dates for admission to 1st Year for 2027/2028

1.	The school will commence accepting applications for admission on	9 th October 2026
2.	The school will cease accepting applications for admission on	30 th October 2026
3.	Applicants will be notified in writing of the decision on their application by	6 th November 2026
4.	Applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission by	Return response to the online offer or by post before 13 th November 2026

Failure by an applicant to accept an offer by the 13th November 2026 may result in the offer being withdrawn.

2. Application and Decision Dates for admission to AEN Classes St Phyl's & St Martha's for 2027/2028

1.	The school will commence accepting applications for admission to the special class on	9 th October 2026
2.	The school shall cease accepting applications for admission to the special class on	30 th October 2026
3.	Applicants will be notified of the decision on their application for admission to the special class by Applicants must include a letter of eligibility from the SENO for a Special Class with their application	6 th November 2026
4.	Applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission by	Return response to the online offer or by post before 13 th November 2026

Failure by an applicant to accept an offer by 13th November 2026 may result in the offer being withdrawn.

3. Number of places being made available in the 2027/2028 school year

The number of places being made available in 1 st year is	180
The number of residential places is (boarding schools only)	N/A
The number of non-residential places is (boarding schools only)	N/A
The number of places being made available in the special class catering for students with ASD is dependent on the number of students leaving the St Phyl's / St Martha's	3

4. Number of places in 1st year for the 2026/2027 school year which were offered and accepted before 14th November 2025

The number of places for 1 st year that were offered and accepted prior to the coming into operation of section 62 of the Education (Admission to Schools) Act 2018 on 1 February 2026 is	150
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5. Breakdown of applications in the previous year (only required if the school was oversubscribed in the previous year)

The total number of applications for admission received by the school for admission in 1st year in the 2026/2027 school year was 541

Breakdown of places allocated for 1st Year for the 2025/2026 school year:	
Number of places available	150
Number of applications received	541
Offers made and accepted under each criteria	Criteria 1: Music Scholarship: (some were siblings/non priority pupils) Offered: 10 Accepted: 10 Criteria 2: Priority places: Siblings of present /past pupils Offered: 127 Accepted: 110

	Criteria 3: Children of present/former employees (some were already siblings of present or former pupils) Offered: 1 Accepted: 1 Criteria 4: Children of past pupils / Grandchildren of past pupils Offered: 6 Accepted: 4 Criteria 5: Age Offered: 25 Accepted: 25 Application List remains the waiting list
Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned	358 as of January 5th 2026

The total number of applications for admission received by the school for admission in the special class catering for students with ASD in the 2026/2027 school year was:

Breakdown of places allocated for Special Class for the 2026/2027 school year:	
Number of places available	4
Number of applications received	15
Number of Offers made and accepted under each criteria	Criteria 1: Sibling priority Accepted: 2 Criteria 2: Special Class to Special Class Accepted: 3 (same as above) Criteria 3: Recommendation from Psychologist Accepted: 4 (same as above) All places were accepted
Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned	11

The total number of applications for admission received by the school for admission to the residential element of the school for 1st year in the 2026/2027 school year was 0

Breakdown of residential places allocated for 1st year for the 2026/2027 school year:	
Number of places available	n/a
Number of applications received	n/a
Number of Offers made and accepted under each criteria	Criteria 1: Criteria 2: Criteria 3:

Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned	n/a
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The total number of applications for admission received by the school for admission as a day pupil of the school for 1st year in the **2026/2027** school year was 150.

Breakdown of day pupil places allocated for 1st year for the 2026/2027 school year:	
Number of places available	n/a
Number of applications received	n/a
Number of Offers made and accepted under each criteria	Criteria 1: Criteria 2: Criteria 3:
Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned	n/a