



Malahide Community School ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE

in respect of admissions to the 2025/2026 school year

Admission Policy and Application Form

A copy of the school's **Admission Policy** and the **Annual Admission Notice** for the **2025-2026** school year is available to download from the school's website - www.malahidecs.ie from **Monday, 23rd September 2024**. A hard copy of these documents is available on request by contacting the Main Office or by emailing admissions2025@malahidecs.ie.

The **online Application Form for Admission to First Year** for the **2025-2026** school year will be available on our website (www.malahidecs.ie) on **Tuesday, 1st October, 2024**.

PART 1 - Admissions to the 2025-2026 school year

Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2025-2026 school year

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

The school will commence accepting applications for admission on	Tuesday 1st October, 2024 at 14:00hrs
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on	Tuesday 22nd October, 2024 at 18:00hrs
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is	Tuesday 12th November, 2024 at 18:00hrs
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is	Monday 25th November, 2024, at 18:00hrs

Note: the school will consider and issue decisions on late applications in accordance with the school's Admission Policy.

***Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above will result in the offer being withdrawn.**

Number of places being made available in 2025-2026 school year

The number of places being made available in First Year is	198 ⁽¹⁾
The number of places being made available in a First Year ASD class, catering for children who have been assessed with a primary diagnosis of Autism/Autism Spectrum Disorder in line with established DES criteria is	6

PART 2 - Admissions to the 2024-2025 school year

Information regarding the admission process for the Intake Group for First Year for the 2024-2025 school year:

In respect of the **2024-2025** school year, the total number of applications for admission received by the school was: **350**.

Breakdown of places allocated for the 2024-2025 school year:	
Number of places available:	204
Number of applications received:	350
Number of Offers made and accepted under each criteria by the initial acceptance deadline of Friday 24th November, 2023:	<p>Criterion 1: Children whose parent's / guardian's principal private residence is in the School's catchment area, who are attending St. Oliver Plunkett's, St. Andrew's, Pope John Paul II, Scoil an Duinnínigh or Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together National school and who have siblings currently attending the School. 103 applications / 103 offers made / subsequently 101 places accepted.</p> <p>Criterion 2: Children of MCS day staff: 2 applications / 2 offers made / subsequently 1 place accepted.</p> <p>Criterion 3: Subject to a maximum *25% of the enrolment figure, children whose parent's/guardian's principal private residence is in the School catchment area, who are attending St. Oliver Plunkett's, St. Andrew's, Pope John Paul II, Scoil an Duinnínigh or Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together National School and whose parent(s) / guardian(s) completed their post-primary education in the School to either Intermediate/Junior Certificate and/or Leaving Certificate level. 43 Applications / 43 offers made / subsequently 39 places accepted.</p> <p>Criterion 4: children whose parent's/guardian's principal private residence is in the School catchment area, who are attending St. Oliver Plunkett's, St. Andrew's, Pope John Paul II, Scoil an Duinnínigh or Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together National schools: 124 Applications / 56 offers made / subsequently 43 places accepted.</p>

	<p>Criterion 5: Children whose parent's/guardian's principal private residence is in the School catchment area, but who are not attending St. Oliver Plunkett's, St. Andrew's, Pope John Paul II, Scoil an Duinnígh or Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together National schools. 10 applications / no offers made</p> <p>Criterion 6: Children attending St. Oliver Plunkett's, St. Andrew's, Pope John Paul II, Scoil an Duinnígh or Malahide Portmarnock Educate Together National schools, whose parent's/guardian's principal private residence is outside the catchment area and who have siblings currently attending the School. 1 applications / no offers made .</p> <p>Criterion 7: Children whose parent's/guardian's principal private residence is outside the catchment area with siblings attending the School. No applications / no offers made.</p> <p>Criterion 8: Any other applications received before the deadline as notified in the Annual Admission Notice. 54 applications / no offers made.</p> <p>Criterion 9: Applications received after the date set out for submission of applications in the Annual Admission Notice. 13 applications / no offers made.</p>
Total number of offers made by the initial acceptance deadline of Friday 24th November, 2023.	204
Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned by the initial acceptance deadline of Friday 24th November, 2023.	146

Notes:

- (1) Following extensive negotiations between the Board of Management and the Department of Education, sufficient additional teaching resources were allocated which enabled the Board to agree on May 29th 2024 to enrol 224 students for the academic year 2024-2025 only. The Board will not be able to facilitate a similar request for the academic school year 2025-2026 given the subsequent space and timetabling constraints.