

Annual Admission Notice 2025/2026

The following Annual Admission Notice has been prepared by the board of Davitt College in respect of the admission of students to the school for the school year 2025/2026. This notice was published on 16/10/2024.

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 due to be part of the First year Group.]	168
<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 retain their place in the school and whether a student(s) transfers into the school after the publication of this Notice.</i>	
Total number of available places in Special Class:	12
Number of places already allocated in Special Class:	12
Number of places left in Special Class:	0

A copy of Davitt College’s Admission Policy is available at:	School website www.davittcollege.com
	School office (for printed copy)
	By emailing davittcollege@msletb.ie
An Application Form for admission to Davitt College is available from 23 October 2024 at:	School website www.davittcollege.com
	School office (for printed copy)
	By emailing davittcollege@msletb.ie

All applications to the First Year Group or the Special Class (for ALL year groups) in Davitt College will only be **accepted after 9:00a.m. 23 October 2024** and the **closing date for receipt of applications is 4:00p.m. 27 November 2024**. 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 the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Year Groups in Davitt College other than to the Special Class, will only be **accepted after 9:00a.m. 31 March 2025** and the **closing date for receipt of applications is 4:00p.m. 30 April 2025**. Applications received after this date will be considered and processed as late applications in accordance with the school’s Admission Policy.

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.

<p>All applicants to the First-Year Group and/or Special Class will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:</p>	<p>18 December 2024</p>
<p>Successful applicants to the First Year Group and/or Special Class must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:</p>	<p>10 January 2025</p>
<p>Note: Failure to accept an offer of admission before the relevant deadline set out above may result in the offer being withdrawn.</p>	

Davitt 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 educational needs, including in particular by the provision and operation of a special class or classes when requested to do so by the Council.

Davitt College 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.

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

The number of applications to Davitt College for the First-Year Group exceeded the 144 places available within the school in 2024/2025.

Number of places available:	144
Number of applications received:	282 before closing date
Number of offers made:	144
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	<p>144 – Total offers made</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 65 offers – met criteria for Category 1 [2024/2025] ; <i>If the Student has siblings currently enrolled in the school</i> • 2 offers – met criteria for Category 2 [2024/2025]; <i>If a parent/guardian of the Student is a current member of staff of the school</i> • 77 offers – met criteria for Category 3 [2024/2025]; <i>If the student attended one of the Feeder Primary Schools</i> <p><i>The waiting list for admission for 2024/2025 was addressed on an ongoing basis pending the responses to offers listed above.</i></p>

The number of applications to Davitt College for the Special Classes exceeded the [2] places available within the school in 2024/2025.

Number of places available:	2
Number of applications received:	7
Number of offers made:	2
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	The class was established for students with a diagnosis of Autism and both students meet the criteria.