

ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE

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OPEN EVENING
Please contact school

RESPECTIVE FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND PRINCIPAL IN RELATION TO ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL

The Board of Governors draws up the admissions criteria and delegates to an Admissions Subcommittee, which includes the Principal, the responsibility for applying these criteria. Any reference herein to the term Board of Governors includes any Committee or Subcommittee appointed by the Board of Governors for the purposes of applying the Admission Criteria set out herein.

ADMISSION CRITERIA 2021

The Board of Governors will apply the following criteria to identify which children will be admitted to the school. In selecting children for admission, children resident in Northern Ireland at the time of their proposed admission to the school will be selected for admission before any child not so resident.

The following admission criteria will be applied by the Board of Governors of St. Patrick's College to P7 pupils applying for admissions in September 2021. In the event of over-subscription in the case of the first or subsequent criteria the next criteria will be applied in order.

1. Children who name St. Patrick's College as their 1st preference school on the online Application Form.
2. Children who, at the date of their application, have a child of the family currently enrolled at the school or who are the eldest child of the family to be eligible to apply for admission to the school, or are the child of a working member of staff in the school.
3. Children who have applied as a first preference to another school within the shared campus area.
4. Children who have a parent who is a past pupil of the school.
5. Children who reside or attend a primary school in the Parish of Clonoe, Coalisland, Donaghmore, Dungannon (Drumglass, Killyman and Tullyniskin) Eglis, Killeshil, Moy (Clonfeacle) and Pomeroy or who attend one of the following primary schools:

Aughamullan Primary School

Clintyclay Primary School

Donaghmore Primary School

Howard Primary School

Newmills Primary School

Our Lady's Primary School, Tullysaran

St Jarlath's Primary School, Blackwatertown

St John's Primary School, Moy

St Joseph's Primary School, Galbally

St Mary's Primary School, Maghery

St Mary's Primary School, Pomeroy

St. Patrick's Primary School, Donaghmore

St Patrick's Primary School, Eglis

Windmill Integrated

Blessed Patrick O'Loughran, Castlecaulfield

Derrylatinee Primary School

Dungannon Primary School

Laghey Primary School

Primate Dixon Primary School

St. Brigid's Primary School Mountjoy

St John's Primary School, Kingsisland

St John's Primary School, Eglis

St Malachy's Primary School, Edendork

St Mary's Primary School, Carland

St Patrick's Primary School, Annaghmore

St Patrick's Primary School, Dungannon

St Peter's Primary School, Collegelands

6. Children for whom the school is the nearest maintained post-primary school.

TIE-BREAKER CRITERIA

- a. Age – children will be selected for admission on the basis of age (oldest) established by date of birth as entered on a Birth Certificate.

- b. In the event of children with the same date of birth. Children will be selected for admission on the basis of initial letter of surname as entered on a Birth Certificate in the order (determined by a randomised selection) set out below:

O G L S R X Z D C U J H T F Q A N Y I B V P E M W K

In the event of surnames beginning with the same initial letter the subsequent letters of the surname will be used in alphabetical order. In the event of two identical surnames the alphabetical order of the initials of the forenames will be used.

- c. In the event of children with the same full name the school will use random selection (computerised).

DUTY TO VERIFY

The Board of Governors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any online Application Form. The provision of false or incorrect information or the failure to provide information within the deadlines set by post-primary schools can result in the withdrawal of a place and the inability to offer a place on the part of any school nominated on the applicant's online Application Form.

APPLICATIONS AND ADMISSIONS TO YEAR 8

| Year | Admissions No | Total Applications All Preferences | Total Admissions |
|----------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| 2018/19 | 117 | 143 | 124 |
| 2019/20 | 122 | 136 | 129 |
| 2020/21 | 122 | 144 | 131 |

ADMISSION TO YEARS 9 – 11

In the event of St Patrick's College falling below the total enrolment number as determined by the Department of Education transfer of pupils from another post-primary school into the College during Year 8 or into other Years 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 may be possible. The Board of Governors of St Patrick's College has determined that the following criteria shall be applied in the order set down below;

1. Pupils will be considered for admission provided that, in the opinion of the Board of Governors, they would not prejudice the efficient use of educational or pastoral resources.
2. Children who have a child of the family currently enrolled at the school.
3. The eldest child of a family.
4. Children of permanent members of staff.
5. Children whose father/mother or older brother(s) or sister(s) are past pupils of the school.
6. Children who reside (or have moved in to) the parish of Clonoe, Coalisnad, Donaghmore, Dungannon (Drumglass, Killyman and Tullyiskin) Eglis, Killeshil, Moy (Clonfeacle) and Pomeroy

Where the number of applications exceeds the number of places available the sub-criteria listed for Year 8 will be applied. Candidates must provide sufficient information at the time of application to allow the admissions criteria to be fairly applied. They must also indicate acceptance of all school rules and regulations. Incorrect information may lead to the withdrawal of an offer of a place.

ADMISSION CRITERIA TO YEAR 13

Students wishing to transfer to St Patrick's College for Sixth Form study should contact the Director of Senior Studies or the Principal.

In the case of oversubscription to our sixth form priority will be given to our own previous Year 12 pupils.

1. The ability to satisfy the entry requirements for each of their AS/A level subjects including achievement in 5 GCSE subjects Grade A*-C and include either English or Mathematics.
2. Availability of places in the relevant area of study.
3. Students who have a satisfactory record of:
 - Commitment to the aims and ethos of the school;
 - Conduct;
 - Application to study – meeting coursework deadlines;
 - Attendance;
 - Punctuality

4. Students will have to complete satisfactorily an interview with the Principal and/or another member of the school's Senior Leadership Team.

Criteria for any extra places made available by the Department of Education for admission into Year 13

The Department may, on request, increase the number of pupils that the school can admit to its Year 13. Places that become available in this way shall be allocated only to pupils who meet the basic eligibility criteria for sixth form study (as above) and shall be allocated in the order determined by the criteria to be applied in the order set down.

1. Pupils who have most recently completed Year 12 in St Patrick's College.
2. Pupils from other schools where admission to an extra place at St Patrick's College has been agreed by the Department of Education.

Parents should note how the Department of Education (DE) will, in response to a school's request, increase the school's enrolment number in order to allow an extra post-16 pupil to enrol. DE will first check whether there is another school or schools of a type suitable for that pupil within an hour's journey of where the pupil lives. If there is, DE will then check whether this other school or schools with places available may provide all of the post-16 courses that the pupil wishes to pursue. If these checks find that no other school may provide all of the post-16 courses that the pupil wishes to pursue – then DE will agree a school's request for an extra place.

What is a school of a type that is suitable for a pupil?

To determine this, first DE considers all schools to be one of 4 types: (i) Denominational (ii) Non-denominational (iii) Integrated and (iv) Irish-Medium. A School requesting an extra place for a post-16 pupil will belong to one of these 4 types and DE will consider any other school or school from this same type as suitable for the pupil. DE will also consider as suitable for the pupil any school from the same type as the type of school that the child attended in year 12.