



Stepaside Educate Together National School
ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE
 in respect of admissions to the 2021/2022 school year

Admission Policy and Application Form

A copy of the school's **Admission Policy** and the **Application Form for Admission** for the 2021/2022 is available as follows: –
 To download at: www.stepasideetns.ie
 On request: By emailing info@stepasideetns.ie or writing to: Stepside ETNS, Belarmine Vale, Stepside, Dublin 18

PART 1 - Admissions to the 2021/2022 school year

Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2021/2022 school year

The following are the dates applicable for admission to Junior Infants

1. The school will commence accepting applications for admission	5th October 2020
2. The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on	30th October 2020 on or before 23:59
3. The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is	Within 3 weeks of the closing date for applications
4. The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is	One week from the date of offer

Note: Applications made after 30th October 2020 will be processed as late applications, 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***Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn**

Special Class Application and Decision Dates for admission to Stepside Educate Together National school for 2021/2022 school year should a place/ places become available.

There must be a recommendation within a psychological assessment or a report from a member of a multi-disciplinary team that a special class placement in a mainstream school is both necessary and suitable for the child.

The following are the dates applicable for admission to the school's Special Class which caters for children with a primary diagnosis of Autism.

Note: *The figures set out below in relation to the Special Class are subject to change dependent on whether current students in the Special Classes retain their place in the school and whether a student(s) transfers into the school after the publication of this Notice.*

The school will commence accepting applications for admission to the special class on	1st February 2021
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission to the special class on	22 nd February 2021
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application for admission to the special class is	Within 3 weeks of the closing date for applications
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is	One week from date of offer

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

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Other Year Groups Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2021/2022

The following are the dates applicable for admission to other year groups (SI to 6th class)

The school will commence accepting applications for admission to other year groups on	5th October 2020
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission to other year groups on	30th October 2020 on or before 23:59
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is	Within 3 weeks of the closing date for applications
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is	One week from the date of offer

Note: Applications made after 30th October 2020 will be processed as late applications, the school will consider and issue decisions on late applications in accordance with the school's admission policy.

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Number of places being made available in Stepside Educate Together National School for the school year 2021/2022

The number of places being made available in Junior Infants is	72
Number of applications being made available in the special class catering for children with an autism spectrum disorder is	1
The number of available places in other year groups will be:	10 <i>(at date of publication in September 2020)</i>

Prior to the commencement of Education (Admission to Schools) Act 2018 (Admission Policies and Admission of Students) Regulations 2020, Stepside Educate Together N.S. had confirmed, in writing, that applicants had been placed on a list relating to the allocation of school places or a pre-enrolment list for 2021/22 school year. This place on the pre-enrolment list is still valid. The number of applications received and accepted onto the pre-enrolment list for the Junior Infants intake group for 2021/22 is: 471

PART 2 - Admissions to the 2020/2021 school year

In respect of the 2020/2021 school year, the total number* of applications for admission received by the school was:

Breakdown of places allocated for the 2020/2021 school year*:	
Number of places available:	72
Number of applications received:	515
Number* of Offers made and accepted under each criteria:	Criterion one: Applicants with siblings attending the school – Number of places offered : 34* Number of places accepted: 28* siblings Criterion two: All other categories – how many places offered? 290* How many accepted? 46*
Total number of offers made	324*
Number of names placed on the waiting list for the school year concerned.	71

**Numbers correct as of June 2020*

Class sizes are as follows for the 2020/2021 school year. The below numbers are the maximum class sizes. All rationale has been discussed and minuted by the Board of Management.

Junior Infants	24 in each class
Senior Infants	24 in each class
First Class A, B and C	21,26,26
Second Class	31
Third Class	30
Fourth Class	30
Fifth Class A and B	25 and 26
Sixth Class	28
Stepping Stones	6 per class = 12