

Annual Admission Notice 2026-2027

The following Annual Admission Notice has been prepared by the Board of Management of Coachford College in respect of the admission of students to the school for the school year 2026-2027. This notice was ratified on September 11th 2025 and published on September 11th 2025.

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.]	180
Number of places left in First Year Group	180
Total number of available places in the Special Class The figure set out above in relation to the Special Class is subject to reduction in the event that an additional Special Class be sanctioned by the Department of Education after the publication of the Admissions Notice, to be opened in the school the following academic year.	12
<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 Classes retain their place in the Special Classes and whether a student(s) transfers into the Special Classes after the publication of this Notice.</i>	
Number of places left in the Special Class	0

A copy of Coachford College's Admission Policy is available at:	School website: www.coachfordcollege.ie
	School office (for printed copy): 021 7334113
	By emailing info@office.coachfordcollege.ie
Application Forms for admission to Coachford College are available from 01/10/2025 at:	School website: www.coachfordcollege.ie
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Applications to the First Year Group or the Special Classes 2026-27 at Coachford College will only be accepted after 01/10/2025 and the closing date for receipt of applications is 22/10/2025 at 16:00. Applications received after this date will be considered and processed as late applications in accordance with the school's Admission Policy. The enrolment process will conclude on 04/06/2026 at 16:00.

All transfer applications to Second, Third, Transition, Fifth or Sixth Year at Coachford College, other than the Special Classes will only be accepted after 14/04/2026 and the closing date for receipt of applications is 05/05/2026 at 16:00. Applications received after this date will be considered and processed as late applications in accordance with the school's Admissions Policy.

Equally, any transfer applications received during the current academic year, *i.e.* before June 2026, to transfer into a year group immediately, will be treated as a late application where the application window for transferring into the school for the academic year 2025/2026 took place during the previous academic year and anyone who did not receive a place at that time was put on a waiting list. Therefore, any available places that arise in that year group during the 2025/2026 academic year will be filled from that waiting list, until that list expires at the end of the academic year 2025/2026.

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.

The enrolment process will conclude on 04/06/2026 at 16:00.

All applicants to the First-Year Group will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:	12/11/2025
Successful applicants to the First Year Group must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:	26/11/2025 at 16:00

Note: Failure to accept an offer of admission before the relevant deadline set out above may result in the offer being withdrawn.

All applicants to the groups other than First Year and/or Special Classes will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:	19/05/2026
Successful applicants to groups other than First Year Group and/or the Special Classes must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:	04/06/2026 at 16:00
Note: Failure to accept an offer of admission before the relevant deadline set out above may result in the offer being withdrawn.	

<i>The number of applications to Coachford College for First Year did not exceed the places available within the school in 2025-26</i>	
Number of places available:	180
Number of applications received:	182
Number of offers made:	142
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	
1. Siblings of students who are already attending the school	63
2. Siblings of students who previously attended the school	9
3. Children of members of staff of Coachford College	3
4. Children who are the first in family and at the time of application attend a feeder primary school and who reside in the catchment area (Category 1)	45
5. Children who at the time of application attend a feeder primary school and who reside in the catchment area (Category 1)	6
6. Children who are the first in family, attend one of the feeder primary schools at the time of application and who reside in the catchment area (Category 2)	0
7. Children who attend one of the feeder primary schools at the time of application and who reside in the catchment area (Category 2)	0
8. Children who reside within the catchment area but attend a primary school outside the catchment area	3
9. Children who at the time of application attend one of the feeder primary schools and reside outside the catchment area	2
10. All other applicants	2

“Coachford 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.

Coachford College will comply with any direction served on the patron or the Board, as the case may be, under section 37A and any direction served on the Board under section 67(4B) of the Education Act.

<i>The number of applications to Coachford College for the <u>Special Classes</u> did not exceed the 7 places available within the school in 2025-26</i>	
Number of places available:	7
Number of applications received:	11
Number of offers made:	7
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	
1. Siblings of students who are already attending the school	3
2. Siblings of students who previously attended the school	0
3. Children of members of staff of Coachford College	0
4. Children who are the first in family and at the time of application attend a feeder primary school and who reside in the catchment area (Category 1)	3
5. Children who at the time of application attend a feeder primary school and who reside in the catchment area (Category 1)	0
6. Children who are the first in family, attend one of the feeder primary schools at the time of application and who reside in the catchment area (Category 2)	0
7. Children who attend one of the feeder primary schools at the time of application and who reside in the catchment area (Category 2)	0
8. Children who reside within the catchment area but attend a primary school outside the catchment area	0
9. Children who at the time of application attend one of the feeder primary schools and reside outside the catchment area	1
10. All other applicants	1