



**Ashbourne CNS**  
Ashbourne Education Campus  
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## Annual Admission Notice 2025/2026

The following Annual Admission Notice has been prepared by the board of Ashbourne CNS in respect of the admission of students to the school for the school year 2025/2026. This notice was published on 02/12/2024.

**Note:** The figures set out below in relation to Junior Infants are subject to increase dependent on the overall student teacher ratio in the school at the time of the administration of the school's admission process for applications to the Junior Infant class.

<b>Total number of places available in Junior Infant Group:</b>	50
[Note: this number is subject to reduction if a student(s) awarded a place in the Special Class is/are due to be part of the Junior Infant Group.]	
<b>Number of places left in Junior Year Group:</b>	50
<b>Note:</b> The figures set out below in relation to the Special Class are subject to change dependent on whether current students in the Special Class(es) retain their place in the school and whether a student(s) transfers into the school after the publication of this Notice.	
<b>Total number of available places in Special Class(es):</b>	24
<b>Number of places left in Special Class(es):</b>	12

<b>A copy of Ashbourne CNS's Admission Policy is available at</b>	School website <a href="http://www.ashbournecons.ie">www.ashbournecons.ie</a>
	School office (for printed copy)
	By emailing <a href="mailto:ashbournecons@lmetb.ie">ashbournecons@lmetb.ie</a>
<b>An Application Form for admission to Ashbourne CNS is available from 06/01/2025 at:</b>	School website <a href="http://www.ashbournecons.ie">www.ashbournecons.ie</a>
	School office (for printed copy)
	By emailing <a href="mailto:ashbournecons@lmetb.ie">ashbournecons@lmetb.ie</a>

All applications to the Junior Infants or the Special Class (for ALL class groups) in Ashbourne CNS will only be accepted after the **06/01/2025** and the closing date for receipt of applications is the **27/01/2025**. 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 Senior Infants, First Class, Second Class, Third Class, Fourth Class, Fifth Class or Sixth Class in Ashbourne CNS other than to the Special Class, will only be accepted after the **03/02/2024** and the closing date for receipt of applications is the **30/05/2025**. Applications received after this date will be considered



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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 child 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.

<b>All applicants to the Junior Infants and/or Special Class will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:</b>	17/02/2025
<b>Successful applicants to the Junior Infants Group and/or Special Class must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission to Ashbourne CNS by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:</b>	03/03/2025
<b>Note: Failure to accept an offer of admission before the relevant deadline set out above may result in the offer being withdrawn.</b>	

Ashbourne CNS 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.

Ashbourne CNS 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.



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

**The number of applications to Ashbourne CNS for the Junior Infant Group exceeded the 52 places available within the school in 2023/24**

Number of places available:	52
Number of applications received:	82
Number of offers made:	62
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	<i>Example:</i> 62 – Total offers made <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 54 offers – eldest applicants.</li><li>• 8 offers – with siblings currently enrolled in the school.</li></ul>

**The number of applications to Ashbourne CNS for the Special Class(es) exceeded the 6 places available in 2023/24.**

Number of places available	6
Number of applications received:	17
Number of offers made:	6
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	6 offers made as per the admission notice 2 offers – pupils are currently enrolled. 4 offers – pupils offered from the catchment area

Note: Additional six places offered at request of NCSE from the wait list post Admission window.