Annual Admission Notice 2027/2028

The following Annual Admission Notice has been prepared by the Board of Management of Gorey Hill School in respect of the admission of students to the school for the school year 2027/28
This notice was published on 19/11/2026

This notice reflects a request from the Department of Education and Youth for additional school places in the 2027-2028 school year which will be provided in new accommodation currently under construction.

Total number of places available in Group 1:	0
Total number of places available in Group 2:	0
Total number of places available in Group 3:	9
Total number of places available in Group 4:	0
Total number of places available in Group 5:	3
Total number of places available in Group 6:	0
Total Number of places available in Gorey Hill School:	12

A copy of the Admission Policy for Gorey Hill School is available at:	https://www.wwetb.ie/schools/gorey-hill-school/
	By emailing admissionsgoreyhill@wwetb.ie for printed or emailed copy.
An Application Form for admission to Gorey Hill School is available from 19/11/2026 at:	https://www.wwetb.ie/schools/gorey-hill-school/
	By emailing admissionsgoreyhill@wwetb.ie for printed or emailed copy.

All applications to Gorey Hill School will only be accepted from the 07/12/2026 and the closing date for receipt of applications is 4pm on 22/12/2026. 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 child is seeking a place in Gorey Hill School 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.

All applicants to Gorey Hill School will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:	**18/01/2027**
Successful applicants to Gorey Hill School must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission to Gorey Hill School by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:	**03/02/2027**

Note: Failure to accept an offer of admission before the relevant deadline set out above may result in the offer being withdrawn.

Gorey Hill School 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.

Gorey Hill School 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 Gorey Hill School exceeded the 13 places available within the school in 2024/2025.	
Number of places available:	11
Number of applications received:	*33*
Number of offers made:	11
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	*Example:* 11 – Total offers made • 11 offers – Number of children aged between 4 to 18 years, who have a diagnosis of autism and complex learning needs or complex learning needs, with a professional recommendation for a special school; **of which:** • We received ten applications by the closing date. Each applicant was placed in a group according to the school's admissions criteria. Where a group had more than one applicant, we held a lottery to decide the waiting list order within that group. Groups 1 and 3 each had three applicants, and Group 5 had two, so we held a lottery in each of those groups. Groups 2 and 4 each had one applicant, and Group 6 had none. Applications received after the closing date were added to the waiting list in the order they arrived. Places were offered in waiting list order as spaces became available in each group.