

St. Anthony's Special School ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE

in respect of admissions to the 2026/2027 school year

Admission Policy and Application Form

A copy of the school's **Admission Policy** and the **Application Form for Admission** for 2026-2027 is available as follows: –

To download at: www.stanthonysmayo.ie

On request: By emailing: office@stanthonysmayo.ie or writing to: St. Anthony's Special School, Humbert way, Castlebar, Co. Mayo F23 W704 or telephoning: 094 9022661

PART 1 - Admissions to the 2026-2027 school year

Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2026-2027

The following are the dates applicable for admission to St. Anthony's Special School

The school will commence accepting applications for admission on	6/10/2025
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on	22/01/2026
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is	30/01/2026
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is *	16/02/2026

Note: 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***Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn**

Number of places being made available in 2026-2027

The number of places being made available in the Primary section is	3 students
The number of places being made available in the Post Primary section is	5 students

****For 2026-2027 as set out in the Admissions Policy the number of vacancies is dependent on applicants meeting primary enrolment criteria of Mild GLD and who may have additional needs that then need to be considered alongside the needs of the existing cohort of students which determine class sizes. Existing students already enrolled in the school and due to move up classes because of their age will be prioritised for any vacant places in the relevant age class group before new applicants can be considered for admission.***

PART 2 - Admissions to the 2025-2026 school year

In respect of the 2025-2026 school year, the total number of applications for admission received by the school was 5 students

Breakdown of places allocated for the 25/26 school year:	
Number of places available:	Dependent on profiled needs of pupils and applicants
Number of applications received:	11
Number of Offers made and accepted under each criteria:	Primary = 4 Post Primary = 7
Total number of offers made	11
Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned.	0