



Special Educational Needs

- 8.1 The Board of Management welcomes students with special educational needs who fulfil the regular enrolment requirements.
 - 8.2 To ascertain the ability of the college to cater for the needs of such a student and to become familiar with her needs, it will be necessary for the college to access the student's records and individual educational programme from the primary or other school well in advance of her entry to Saint Aloysius' College.
 - 8.3 The College will also require parental/legal guardian permission for access to any relevant medical or psychological reports.
 - 8.4 In the absence of such reports, the college will require parental/legal guardian permission to request a National Educational Psychological Services (NEPS) assessment or similar psychological assessment. The purpose of this assessment will be to assist the college in establishing the educational needs of the applicant.
 - 8.5 Saint Aloysius' College, in co-operation with the NEPS or other relevant authority, will inform the Department of Education and Science of whatever resources, equipment or personnel that will be required to cater for the special needs of the applicant.
 - 8.6 The Principal and/or relevant teacher will, as soon as possible, arrange to meet with the parents/legal guardians of the student to discuss the student's needs and the college's capacity to meet those needs.
 - 8.7 The College recognises the need for liaison and co-operation between Saint Aloysius' College and the teachers in the primary schools as well as with the parents/legal guardians of students with special needs, and will, subject to the availability of adequate resources endeavour to facilitate the process of transition of such students from primary to post-primary education.
 - 8.8 "The school reserves the right to refuse enrolment to any student in exceptional cases. Such exceptional cases include the following:
 1. The student has special educational need such that, even with additional resources available from the Department of Education and Science, the school cannot meet such needs and/or provide the student with an appropriate education.
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2. In the opinion of the Board of Management, the student poses an unacceptable risk to other students, to the school staff, or to school property."