



Dublin D15 Primary

Autism Class Application Trial (ACAT)

Please complete and return this application form if you are seeking a place in a special class in one of the participating D15 schools.

During this trial the NCSE will assist schools and parents with the application process.

This trial does not represent a common admissions policy.

Each school participating in the trial maintains complete autonomy over their admission policy, admission criteria and oversubscription criteria of their school.

The application of the criteria and offer of places will continue to be the role of each individual school's Board of Management.

All stakeholders, including parents have been made aware via an explicit statement in each school's Admission Notice that parent/guardian's

participation in the trial does not guarantee a school placement.

Details included in this application form will be received and retained by the NCSE in order to assist schools and parents and to inform planning for special class/ (autism) in the area.

Applicant details	
Child's First Name	
Child's Last Name	
Child's Date of Birth	
Child's PPS Number:	
Home Address	
Eircode	
Parent/Guardian 1: Name	
Parent/Guardian 1: Email	
Parent/Guardian 1: Phone number	
Parent/Guardian 2: Name:	
Parent/Guardian 2: Email:	
Parent/Guardian 2: Phone number	
Religion (if any)	

Current placement status of the applicant, (please tick one)	
Mainstream Pre-school/ECCE	<input type="checkbox"/>
Autism specific preschool setting	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mainstream class	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name of mainstream school	<input type="text"/>
Special school	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name of special school	<input type="text"/>
Applicant is not attending a setting, (at home)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other. Please provide details	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	

Does the applicant have a sibling/siblings currently attending a school in Dublin 15?	yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	no	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please name the school(s) below				
<input type="text"/>				



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Department of Education criteria for admission to a special class, (autism)				
The following details are required in order to confirm eligibility for a special class placement. Please complete in full and include all relevant professional report(s) which support this application.				
Diagnosis of Autism: DSM IV/V or ICD 10/11 (psychologist, psychiatrist, multi-disciplinary report)	yes		no	
Date of professional report(s) confirming diagnosis, e.g. 10/09/2024				
A demonstration of the understanding of complexity of the child's overall level of need/s evidenced in the professional reports	yes		no	
Given the severity or complexity of the child's support needs, a clear professional recommendation as to what educational placement type would be most appropriate to best meet the child's needs, along with the rationale for same.	yes		no	
Note, by completing this application form it is confirmed that a place in a special class (autism) is sought.	yes		no	

Application to participating school(s)				
Only schools listed below are participating in this trial. Applications for schools not listed must be made separately. See individual school Admissions Notice on the school website.				
Please tick the school(s) to which you wish to apply				
School name	Address	Ethos	School website	tick to apply
St Brigid's Mixed National School	Castleknock, D15P820	Catholic, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	https://saintbrigids.ie	
Scoil Bhríde Buachaillí	Blanchardstown, D15 H329	Catholic, Boys only, Vertical (Junior infants - 6th class)	https://scoilbhrideb.com/	
Scoil Oilibhéir	An Chúil Mhín (Coolmine), D15 PX99	Gaelscoil (through Irish), Catholic, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	http://www.gaelscoiloilibheir.ie/	
St Ciaran's National School	Hartstown, D15 ED83	Catholic, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	https://www.stciarans.com/	
Sacred Heart National School	Huntstown, D15 KF65	Catholic, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	https://www.shns.ie/	
Castleknock Educate Together National School	Castleknock, D15X094	Educate Together, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	http://www.cetns.ie/	
Mary Mother of Hope Senior National School	Littlepace, D15 PH93	Catholic, Co-educational (boys & girls), Senior School (3rd - 6th class)	https://www.hopens.ie/	
Scoil Choilm Community National School	Clonsilla, D15 Y9RV	ETB, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	https://www.scoilchoilmcns.ie/	
Mary Mother of Hope Junior National School	Littlepace, D15TA49	Catholic, Co-educational (boys & girls), Junior School (Junior Infant - 2nd class)	https://hopeins.ie/	
Hansfield Educate Together National School	Hansfield, D15 H1FC	Educate Together, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	https://www.hansfieldetns.com/	



Powerstown Educate Together National School	Tyrrelstown, D15VR80	Educate Together, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	https://www.powerstownet.com/	
Pelletstown Educate Together National School	Rathborne, D15 X63X	Educate Together, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	https://www.pelletstownetns.ie/	
Scoil Mhuire Mount Sackville	Chapelizod, D20 HX04	Catholic, Co-educational (boys & girls), Vertical (Junior Infants - 6th class)	https://scoilmhuiremountsackville.ie/	

Consent

The NCSE are obliged to collect certain information when meeting our legal obligations under Section 41 of the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Act 2004. This obligation under the Act, together with Article 6(1)(c) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) informs the NCSE's legal basis as a data controller. Full details of the NCSE's data protection policy setting out what data we process and how we retain personal data, as well as information regarding the rights of data subjects are available at <http://ncse.ie/ncse-data-protection>. **Consent is required in order for this application to be included in the trial.**

I/we consent for all information in this form and supporting evidence provided being shared with the NCSE and schools where application for placement has been indicated.		yes		no	
Name		Signed		date	
Name		Signed		date	

Checklist of supporting documentation to be included with this application

Birth Certificate	
2x proof of address e.g. utility bills, bank statement extract)	
Documentation show autism diagnosis & Autism class requirement	

If you have any difficulties completing this form please email D15ACAT@ncse.ie A dedicated team of NCSE personnel is there to assist.

Please note that completing this application does not guarantee a school place.

Schools that are oversubscribed will compile a waiting list of students whose application to the school was unsuccessful. This waiting list will remain valid for the duration of the 2025/2026 school year and will be used to fill any vacancies that arise during that year.

There are other schools in the D15 area with autism classes, but only those listed on the NCSE website, and on this form are participating in this trial.

This form and supporting documents should be emailed to D15ACAT@ncse.ie, or posted to: NCSE D15 ACAT, NCSE Offices, Block 3, Grove Court, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15, D15 HNT2.