

**Linn Dara School**  
**Roll No. 19630o**  
**Enrolment Policy**

**Information:**

This enrolment policy is set out in accordance with the provisions of the Education Act 1998, the Educational (Welfare) Act 2000 and the Equal Status Acts 2002 and 2004, and bearing in mind the specific context of Linn Dara School.

Linn Dara School is co-educational and the ethos is multi denominational. Within the context and parameters of the Department of Education and Skills (DES) regulations and programmes, the role of the patron, as set out in the Education Act (1998) and the funding and resources available, the school supports the principles of:

- inclusiveness, particularly with reference to enrolment of children with a disability or other special educational need;
- equality of access and participation in the school;
- respect for the diversity of values, beliefs, traditions, languages and ways of life in society.

Linn Dara School is designated by the DES as a Special School for students experiencing Severe Emotional Behavioural Disturbance. The school depends on grants and fulltime teacher resources provided by the DES. It operates within the regulations laid down from time to time by the DES in so far as is possible in the particular context. The function and purpose of Linn Dara School is to provide continuity of educational provision for children and young people who are temporarily absent from school due to their medical needs and who are admitted to the Linn Dara Child & Adolescent In-patient Unit, the Linn Dara Adolescent Day Programme or to the adult psychiatric units in AMNCH Tallaght, St James's Hospital and Naas General Hospital. Our vision is to be a centre of excellence which offers high quality educational experiences and support for all children and young people in a caring environment which promotes achievement.

Linn Dara School aims to:-

- provide continued education as normally as a medical condition allows;
- promote self-esteem and educational achievement;
- promote equal access to education for all children and young people

**Curriculum:**

Support is currently provided for students studying the Primary Curriculum, Junior Certificate, Junior Certificate Schools Programme (J.C.S.P.), Transition Year, Leaving Certificate, Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (L.C.V.P.) and Leaving Certificate Applied (L.C.A.).

**Enrolment Procedure:**

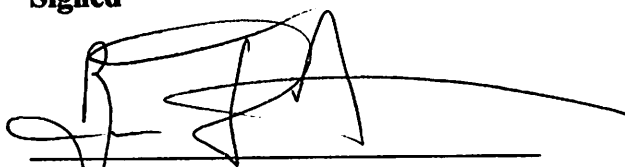
Students are referred for enrolment in the school by the multi-disciplinary teams of the Linn Dara Child & Adolescent In-patient Unit, the Linn Dara Adolescent Day Programme and the adult psychiatric units in AMNCH Tallaght, St James's Hospital and Naas General Hospital. Subject to the necessary resources being available, enrolment to the school is automatic on admission to either unit. The Board of Management reserves the right to either offer a reduced timetable or a delayed enrolment to the school in the event that the school's staffing allocation does not allow education to be provided in a safe and secure environment.

The principal accepts referrals and informs the Board of Management at the subsequent meeting. Permission to contact school of origin is sought from the parents in the consent form. Any relevant reports needed can be accessed through the consent form.

Where appropriate and with parental consent, the student's school is requested to provide an outline of the work to be done in the student's class for the remainder of the term or at least for the next month. All school reports (attendance, behaviour, assessments and exam results) are requested from the school.

New referrals are accepted throughout the school year depending on availability of places and/or necessary resources. As this is a temporary dual school placement for the duration of admission in the Linn Dara Child & Adolescent In-Patient Unit, the Linn Dara Adolescent Day Programme and the adult psychiatric units in AMNCH Tallaght, St James's Hospital and Naas General Hospital, students may simultaneously be on the school roll of Linn Dara School and on that of their school of origin. Students are removed from the school roll on discharge from the service.

**Signed**



**Chairperson of Board of Management**

**Date: 2/10/15**

**Signed**



**Principal**

**Date: 2/10/15**