

Section 29 appeal application form for an appeal against refusal to admit due to the school being oversubscribed

This form should be used for making an appeal to the Minister for Education as provided for under section 29 (1) (c) (i) of the Education Act, 1998.

Guidance and timelines for making an appeal under section 29

- Placement on a waiting list is considered a refusal to admit and can be appealed.
- Before making this appeal you must first request, in writing, a review of the decision by the board of management.
- This review request must be made in writing, to the school's board of management,
 within 21 calendar days from the date of the original decision.
- You can proceed to complete this application once you have received the outcome
 of the review by the board of management or once 42 calendar days have passed
 since the decision to refuse admission was made (whichever of these is the
 earliest).
- Subject to the above this appeal must be made no later than 63 calendar days following the original decision by the school to refuse admission.

Procedures for Hearing and Determining Appeals under section 29 (1) (c) (i) of the Education Act, 1998 are available on the Departments website via the following link:

https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/8248c-appeals-in-relation-to-refusal-to-admit-a-student-due-to-a-school-being-oversubscribed/

These procedures should be read to provide further information regarding the appeals process.

Please return this completed application form by email to: section29@education.gov.ie or by post to:

Section 29 Administration Unit Department of Education Friar's Mill Road Mullingar Co Westmeath N91 H30Y

Appeal Application – please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS

An appeal can only be taken by a parent/guardian, or a student who has reached the age of 18 years or a person appointed by the Child and Family Agency (Tusla).

In accordance with section 26 of the Education (Welfare) Act, 2000, the Child and Family Agency (Tusla) may appoint a person, independent of that Agency, to appeal a decision of a board of management to refuse to admit a student to a school

Applicant Details (this is the person taking the appeal – see above):
Title (Ms. Mrs. Miss. Mr. etc.)
Forename:
Surname:
Postal Address:
Eircode:
Telephone number(s):
Email address:
Email is the preferred method of this Department's communication therefore, please ensure your email details are correct.
Relationship to student (Please tick relevant box):
Parent \square Legal Guardian \square Guardian Ad Litem \square CFA (Child & Family Agency Appointee \square
Student Details
Student's name:
Date of birth:
Year/class to which admission has been sought:
Student's Address (if different from address above):
School Details:
Name and address to which this appeal relates:

Roll	Number:					
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Please note that the appeals committee shall rely on the same evidence and materials as were available to and relied upon when the decision to refuse admission was made by the school.

Please state clearly the specific grounds on which you wish to base your appeal. The grounds must list why you think the decision of the school was not correct. You may submit as many grounds as you wish.

This appeal must be based on the implementation of the school's admission policy and the content of the school's annual admission notice as it affected the application of your child.

The following are some examples of valid grounds which you could use to support your appeal.

- The school did not adhere to its policies and procedures when making its decision.
- The school's admission policy and/or admissions notice were not applied correctly to my application for admission.
- The school did not observe fair procedures when making its decision.
- The school made an error in their decision regarding my application for admission.

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Please note that you can withdraw your appeal at any stage by emailing
section29@education.gov.ie
Data protection privacy statement
Full details of the Department's data protection policy setting out how we will use your personal data or your child's data as well as information regarding your rights as a data subject are available at https://assets.gov.ie/224650/a55e28b6-e388-406b-b6ee-500ab554bf9f.docx
DECLARATION BY THE APPLICANT
I certify that the information given by me in this form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Applicant's signature:
Applicant 3 signature.
Date:
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Date of receipt: File ref:
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