



### Enrolment Policy – 1<sup>st</sup> Year 2021 and all years up to 2025

**NB: Offers for 1<sup>st</sup> Year in 2021 will be made later in this School Year (2019-2020)**

All applications for places at East Glendalough School must be submitted on the approved application form.

To be eligible for admission to the school pupils should have completed sixth class in primary school, or its equivalent, and should have reached the age of 12 years before 31<sup>st</sup> December in 1<sup>st</sup> Year.

Children of members of staff and children of Protestant clergy within the catchment area receive a special priority if a place is available. Thereafter, priority is given to the first 60 applications for Protestant pupils from within the catchment area.<sup>1</sup> Certificates of Registry of Baptism (or, in exceptional cases, a letter from a Minister of religion stating that the child is an regular member of a Protestant congregation) and Birth Certificates should accompany applications. When all places are filled in any one year, applications are put on a waiting list.

When all priority applications have been catered for, other applications are considered, space and resources permitting. Second priority is given to Protestant pupils from outside the catchment area. Third priority is given to members of Protestant House Churches. Fourth priority is given to non-Protestant applications with sibling connections to the school. Fifth priority is given to “mixed marriage” applications where one of the partners is Protestant. Thereafter, all other applications shall be considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

This will occur in the calendar year of proposed entry to the school. Decisions on all applications are at the discretion of the Board of Management.

The Board of Management will only entertain applications when there are places available in any given year. Currently East Glendalough School can cater for a maximum of two forms of 30 students in any given year.

Places in East Glendalough School are offered subject to students and parents/guardians signing a copy of the school Code of Conduct indicating acceptance of current school rules regarding discipline and other matters.<sup>2</sup> Acceptance of a place in the school is taken as acceptance of all school policies.<sup>3</sup> Refusal to sign the Code of Conduct or to accept school disciplinary procedures will lead to loss of place in the school.

### Enrolment Policy – 1<sup>st</sup> Year 2026 onwards

Applications for places in 1st Year in the School for 2026 onwards are not currently being accepted. The enrolment of students for these year groups shall be in accordance with the legislation pertaining at that time.

#### Admissions to Schools Bill

This decision has been taken pending the enactment of the relevant sections of the Admissions to Schools Acts and the Minister for Education’s regulations which will follow. When this position is clearer, word will be circulated to the local Church of Ireland Primary Schools and Parishes, as well as on the School’s Website.

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<sup>2</sup> Additional copies of the Code of Conduct are available from the School Office.

<sup>4</sup> All School Policies are available in the School Office. In particular, Parents and Guardians are asked to be aware of the Disciplinary Procedures Policy and the Substance Abuse Policy.