



Chanel College

School Profile

Chanel College is a single sex, all boys, Catholic secondary school under the patronage of the Marist Fathers and the Marist Education Authority Schools (MEAS). The school currently has an enrolment of 451 students and offers a broad range of programmes, including Junior Cycle, Leaving Certificate, Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA), and the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP). A non-compulsory Transition Year programme is also available.

Founded in 1955 as an all-boys school, Chanel College is now entering an exciting new phase, with September 2026 marking its transition to a co-educational setting. In recent years, the College has significantly expanded its curriculum to enhance student learning and outcomes. New subject offerings include Leaving Certificate Physical Education, Computer Science, Agricultural Science, Music, and Technology. The Leaving Certificate Applied programme has been reintroduced, and Home Economics will be introduced in September 2026. These developments reflect the school's commitment to providing a holistic education rooted in the Marist ethos.

Chanel College has recently been designated a DEIS Plus school, recognising its role in supporting students at the highest risk of educational disadvantage. This designation brings enhanced supports to strengthen teaching, learning, and student wellbeing across the school community.

The College has a teaching staff of 42 and offers a comprehensive curriculum across both Junior and Senior Cycles, including a wide range of academic, practical, and creative subjects. This breadth ensures that students have access to diverse pathways suited to their interests, abilities, and future aspirations.

Beyond the classroom, Chanel College provides a rich programme of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. These experiences—spanning sport, science, languages, the arts, and social outreach—play a vital role in the holistic development of students. Participation fosters confidence, wellbeing, and a strong sense of belonging within the Marist community.

The school places a strong emphasis on its Catholic Marist ethos, with its core values visible throughout the school environment and embedded in daily practice. Chanel College also maintains strong links with its Marist partner schools across Europe, particularly in France, with ongoing collaboration between school leaders and staff.

As a DEIS Plus school, Chanel College is deeply committed to inclusivity and equality. The school strives to provide the best possible learning environment for all students, with particular attention to those experiencing disadvantage. Through a strong pastoral care system, the dignity and individuality of each student are respected and nurtured.

A strong sense of community underpins life in Chanel College. This is reflected in the active engagement between the school, parents, and students through the Parents' Council and Student Council, both of which provide meaningful opportunities for voice and leadership. Together, the Board of Management, staff, parents/guardians, and students work in partnership to create an environment where each young person can develop intellectually, physically, morally, socially, and spiritually, enabling them to fulfil their role in society.