

SECTION 29 APPEALS – (in the event of a refusal to enrol or suspend a child from St. Attractas JNS, Meadowbrook.

Roll No. 19537b

Appeals regarding the refusal to enrol a child in St. Attractas JNS, or to suspend a child from the school are processed using the DES section 29 appeals process. Appeals can be submitted online on using through DES website <https://www.section29appeals.gov.ie/>

For the convenience parents/guardians a copy of the board of management request form and section 29 appeal forms are attached, all of which are available on <https://www.section29appeals.gov.ie/>

Oversubscription

As the refusal to enrol is due to the school being oversubscribed, parents/guardians may appeal this decision under section 29(1)(c)(i) of the Education Act 1998, as amended. In the first instance you must request a review by the board of management of the decision to refuse admission. This must be requested within 21 calendar days from the date of the decision to refuse admission to the school. A board of management request form (BOMR1) is available at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/8248c-appeals-in-relation-to-refusal-to-admit-a-student-due-to-a-school-being-oversubscribed/#how-to-seek-a-review-by-the-board-of-management>. You can proceed to submit a section 29 appeal 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). A section 29 appeal form can be downloaded at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/8248c-appeals-in-relation-to-refusal-to-admit-a-student-due-to-a-school-being-oversubscribed/#how-to-appeal-if-a-child-has-been-refused-admission-because-the-school-is-full>. Alternatively you can submit your appeal online and upload the required documentation at <https://www.section29appeals.gov.ie/>. A section 29 appeal must be made no later than 63 calendar days from the date of the decision to refuse admission.

Reasons other than oversubscription

As the refusal to enrol is for a reason other than the school being oversubscribed, you may appeal the decision under section 29(1)(c)(ii) of the Education Act 1998, as amended. You may choose to request a review by the board of management of the decision to refuse admission. You are not obliged to, but if you choose to request a review you must request it within 21 calendar days from the date of the decision to refuse admission to the school. A board of management request form (BOMR1) is available at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/8248c-appeals-in-relation-to-refusal-to-admit-a-student-due-to-a-school-being-oversubscribed/#how-to-seek-a-review-by-the-board-of-management>. If you do request a review by the board of management, you can proceed to submit a section 29 appeal 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). A section 29 appeal form can be downloaded at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/31c4f-appeals-in-relation-to-refusal-to-admit-a-student-for-a-reason-other-than-the-school-being-oversubscribed/#how-to-appeal-if-my-child-has-been-refused-admission-and-the-school-has-places-available>.

Alternatively you can submit your appeal online and upload the required documentation at <https://www.section29appeals.gov.ie/>. A section 29 appeal must be made no later than 63 calendar days from the date of the decision to refuse admission.

Expulsion

Under 29(1)(a) of the Education Act 1998, as amended you have the right to appeal this decision and can do so by downloading and completing a section 29 appeal form at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/19941-appeals-against-expulsion-or-suspension-for-a-period-or-periods-totaling-not-less-than-20-school-days-in-a-school-year/#how-to-appeal-if-my-child-has-been-expelled-from-school>. Alternatively you can submit your appeal online and upload the required documentation at <https://www.section29appeals.gov.ie/>. A section 29 appeal must be made no later than 42 calendar days from the date of the confirmation to expel by the board of management.

Suspension

Under 29(1)(b) of the Education Act 1998, as amended you have the right to appeal this decision and can do so by downloading and completing a section 29 appeal form at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/19941-appeals-against-expulsion-or-suspension-for-a-period-or-periods-totaling-not-less-than-20-school-days-in-a-school-year/#how-to-appeal-if-my-child-has-been-expelled-from-school>. Alternatively you can submit your appeal online and upload the required documentation at <https://www.section29appeals.gov.ie/>. A section 29 appeal can be made where the board of management suspends a student for a period or periods totalling not less than 20 school days in a school year. The section 29 appeal must be made no later than 42 calendar days from the date of the last confirmed suspension.

Signed: _____

John Mc Donnell (Chairperson BOM)

Date: _____