

Mount Saint Michael

Convent of Mercy, Claremorris, Co. Mayo



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TYPE OF SCHOOL: Girls, Day pupils

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 457 students

UNIFORM

Junior students

Skirt	Navy or
Trousers	Straight leg navy
Blouse	Blue and white check
Jumper	Navy with crest
Shoes	Plain black



Senior students

Skirt	Maroon
Trousers	Straight leg black
Blouse	White
Jumper	Grey V-necked with maroon and white stripe following the neck line with crest
Shoes	Plain black

P.E. Junior students: navy tracksuit bottoms, half-zip top (available at school)
Senior students: appropriate sportswear of students own choice

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Mount St.Michael Secondary School endeavours to develop and nurture each member of the school community, so as to enable to assume our role in life as participative and responsible Christian members of society. While the school recognises parents as the primary educators of their children the school will endeavour to develop the whole person, catering for spiritual, intellectual, social, emotional, cultural and physical needs, within the constraints of the school context.

Also foster and transmit values which will enhance the students' self-esteem, helping them to deal responsibly with family, peers, society and the environment introducing students to a broad curriculum and range of activities in an atmosphere where staff and students are encouraged, supported and affirmed. To foster effective communication between school, home and the community.

FACILITIES

- Oratory
- Gymnasium
- Dressing/Shower Room
- PE Office
- Religion Room
- Art Room
- Resource Room
- Language Laboratory
- Guidance/Counselling Office
- General Classrooms
- Computer Room
- Science Laboratory
- Caretaker's Workshop
- General Classrooms
- Media Room
- German Room
- Chemistry Laboratory
- Dress Design Room
- Home Economics Kitchen
- Tiered Demonstration Room
- Biology Laboratory
- Library
- Mac Computer Room
- Music Room
- PLC Computer Room
- Pottery Room

The school also boasts:

- A canteen on a stand-alone site beside the main building.
- Football pitch
- 6 tennis courts
- 2 basketball courts

CURRICULUM

Junior Cycle

In Mount St. Michael students entering first year study eight core subjects. First years also study three optional subjects and this reduces to two in second year and third year. In addition, Wellbeing is a core part of each child's Junior Cycle experience. This area of learning is embedded in all subjects but has particular relevance to the subjects listed below.

Core subjects

- Irish
- English
- Maths
- Religion
- History
- Geography
- Science
- French or German

Optional Subjects

- Art
- Business
- Home Economics
- Music

Wellbeing Subjects

- Physical Education
- Civic, Social and Political Education (CSPE)
- Social, Personal and Health Education (SPHE)
- Guidance and Digital Literacy Education
- Choir

Transition Year

Transition year is an optional one-year programme bridging Junior and Senior Cycle. The Transition Year programme in Mount Saint Michael Secondary School is designed by the school, in conjunction with Department of Education & Skills guidelines, to cater for the needs of our students.

It aims to develop the whole person through its skills focused approach as opposed to the more content focused programmes at Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate levels.

Core Subjects

- English
- Irish
- Mathematics
- Geography
- French or German
- Religion
- History

Subject Sampling

- Drama
- Spanish
- Public Speaking
- Choir
- Art, Craft & Design
- Computer skills
- Italian
- European Studies
- Cookery
- Science
- Personal Development

Transition Year Specific Courses

- First Aid
- Mini Company
- Scientific Method of Research (fieldtrips)
- Road Safety
- Pottery Art Workshops
- Career Placement

Students spend up to four weeks in the working world during the school year.

Transition Year is made up of different events, trips and outside- the- classroom activities which include:

- First Aid
- Pantomime
- European tour
- Retreat
- Outdoor pursuit trip
- Gaisce trip
- Local excursions
- Community events e.g. Fundraising activity for the community.

Leaving Certificate

Examination Subjects

- Mathematics
- Irish
- English
- Business
- Physics/Chemistry
- Geography
- Accountancy
- Home Economics
- Art
- French
- German
- History
- Economics
- Biology
- Religious Education
- Agricultural Science
- Music

Non-Examination Subjects

- Choir
- Physical Education
- Religious Education
- Career Guidance

EXTRACURRICULAR

- **Sports:** Gaelic, volleyball, basketball
- Public speaking/debating
- Short story competition
- Gaisce
- Musical
- Choir



Please feel free to refer to the school website for further information on the school.