

RICE COLLEGE

Castlebar Road, Westport, Co. Mayo



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WEBSITE: www.ricecollegewestport.ie

TYPE OF SCHOOL: Boys

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 476 Students

UNIFORM

Juniors Navy blue trousers
Grey shirt
Navy blue tie
Grey jumper with school crest
Black/brown shoes

Seniors Grey trousers
Grey shirt
Maroon tie
Maroon jumper with school crest
Black/brown shoes



BRIEF STATEMENT

Rice College is a Catholic Secondary School for boys. It is managed by a local Board of Management under the Trusteeship of the Christian Brothers. The Christian Brothers have a long tradition of education in Westport. They set up their first school in Castlebar Street in 1865 from there they moved to the Newport Road in 1962 where the National School and Monastery are today. The growth in demand for education led to the building of a new secondary school on the Castlebar Road in 1987. It is called Rice College, the campus houses, playing fields, tennis courts and a gymnasium. The collaboration of the whole school community, comprising parents, teachers, and religious, brought this about. Rice College can now cater for the needs of all students in the catchment area.

CURRICULUM

Junior Cycle

- Gaeilge
- English
- Mathematics
- History
- Geography
- French
- German
- Science
- Business Studies
- Art, Craft and Design.
- Religious Ed.
- Physical Ed.
- Computer Studies
- Social, Personal & Health Education.
- Materials Technology Wood
- Technical Graphics
- Civics Social and Political Education

Transition Year

This is a unique one year programme for students aged 15/16. It provides a bridge to enable students make the transition from junior to senior cycle. It encourages personal and social development and recognises the need for students to grow in independence. Transition Year fosters academic achievement as students prepare for a Leaving Certificate Programme, further study and adult working life. It encourages the development of a wide range of transferable skills, critical thinking and creative problem solving.

The Transition Year Curriculum:

The Transition Year students follow a full timetable of subjects. Flexibility exists to facilitate a number of activities, outdoor pursuits, the musical etc... Foreign travel forms an important part of the programme (supported by whole staff). A close working relationship exists with the Sacred Heart School i.e. mixed classes take place every Tuesday (double class). The student choose 4 subjects (technical graphics, woodwork, agricultural science, music, art, cooking) and complete a 5/6 week module with teachers assessment. They also work together every Thursday afternoon (3 classes) on projects, ranging from learning card games with Westport active retirement group to helping out with tidy towns. The Transition Year should offer pupils space to learn, mature and develop in the absence of examination pressure.

Senior Cycle

- Gaelige
- English
- Mathematics
- History
- Geography
- French
- German
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Physics/Chemistry
- Biology
- Business Organisation
- Accounting
- Economics
- Art
- Construction Studies
- Technical Drawing
- LCVP Link Modules

Non-exam Subjects

- Religious Ed.
- Physical Ed.
- Careers Ed.

EXTRACURRICULAR

Sports

- Gaelic Football
- Soccer
- Rugby
- Golf
- Olympic Handball
- Handball
- Swimming
- Athletics



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