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**RE: Amendments to Admission Policy**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Education (Provision in respect of Children with Special Educational Needs) Act 2022 has commenced. Following the commencement of the Act, all schools are required to amend their Admission Policy.

As per Section 62 of the Education Act, any amendment must take place after a consultation process with staff, parents and students.

The proposed amendment/change to the Admission Policy of the school is to include the following two statements in the Admission Statement Section of a school's Admission Policy:

*"Ratoath College will comply with any direction served on the board or the patron under section 37A and 67(4)(b)."*

and

*"Ratoath College will cooperate with the NCSE in the performance by the Council of its functions under the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Act 2004 in relation to the provision of education to children with special educational needs, including in particular by the provision and operation of a special class or classes when requested to do so by the Council."*

The italicised changes above are the only amendments being proposed to the Admission Policy at this moment in time. The proposed amendments are a legal requirement.

If you have any observations or feedback to offer on this matter, I would appreciate it if you could revert by email (listed above) by 20 December 2022.

Yours faithfully,

Seamus Meehan  
**Principal**