

Alexandra College

Milltown, Dublin 6



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TYPE OF SCHOOL: Girls

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 453 Girls

Campus and Facilities

Alexandra College is set on an attractive and secure 12 acre campus in Milltown, just 6 kilometres from Dublin city centre.

It is well appointed, with buildings for:

Junior School
Senior School
Science
Music
Restaurant and café
Two residence buildings
Multi-purpose hall
Gymnasium

Curriculum

An excellent academic education is the cornerstone of what girls can expect at Alexandra College. Each student receives a broad education as she progresses through the school, typically taking ten or eleven subjects in the Junior Certificate and seven to eight in the Leaving Certificate, with a selection of language, business, science and creative subjects, as well as the core offering of Irish, English and Maths.

At present Alexandra girls are studying the following subjects:

Core

Irish
English
Maths

Languages

French
German
Italian
Spanish
Other languages by private arrangement.

Business

Accounting
Business
Economics

Science

Agricultural Science
Applied Maths
Biology
Chemistry
Home Economics
Physics

Artistic/Social/Humanities

Art
Civic, Social and Political
Education
Classical Studies
Latin
History
Geography
Music
Religious Education
Career Guidance

TY programme

The programme provides a balance between academic and non-academic areas. It is learning-led rather than exam-led, and has a range of teaching and learning styles to help girls develop effective learning habits both individually and within groups.

Core subjects include English, Irish, a modern language, maths, science, ICT, history, geography, religion, and physical education.

Girls can take optional modules in art appreciation, choir, classics, creative writing, culinary arts, ECDL, film making, guitar, international relations, a second modern language, music technology, public speaking and communication, psychology, textile craft and website design. There are also performance modules in dance, drama and stage management, music, animation, videography and fashion design.

There is plenty of project work covering social awareness – Education for Living and Young Social Innovator – and the world of work – Young Entrepreneur Mini-Company and Alex Artisans. And TY students are also asked to undertake assignments, interviews and research, helping them to learn in new and active ways.

The TY programme helps girls to connect with adult and working life by providing work experience and career guidance. The girls research and seek their work placements and they discuss and assess the experiences in class.

There are many other TY experiences for the girls during the year, including activities in music and drama, charity work, outdoor events and trips, and inter-school sporting competition

Uniform

Girls

Brown jumper
Brown Skirt
White Socks
Brown Shoes



Boarding

Residence is at the heart of school life and living at Alexandra offers you more time to you to follow your academic interests and develop your passion for sport, drama and music.

A Day in the Life of a Boarder

Daily Schedule

Rising Bell: 7.30am

Breakfast: 7.45am Students go to school at 8.30am.

School finishes at 3.55pm Monday -Thursday. On Fridays, school finishes at 3.20pm to facilitate transport home.

3.55-5.30pm: plenty of activities after school such as sport and music.

Every Tuesday and Thursday, aerobics (optional) takes place in Residence House.



Prep (homework) and Study Facilities from Monday to Friday

1st, 2nd and 4th years: 6.30-8.45 pm

3rd and 5th years: 6.30- 9.30pm

6th years: 6.30-10pm

There is a break from 7.45-8.15pm.

Supervised study for the 6th years on Saturday and Sunday optional.

Laundry is done on a daily basis. Sheets, towels and other items are sent to an outside laundry weekly



Extra Curricular Activities

Sport

Sport has an important place at Alexandra College. Involvement in sport promotes a healthy lifestyle, teaches the value of teamwork, promotes competitiveness and encourages good habits at an early age. We want our girls to understand that exercise improves learning and helps to relieve stress, so we make it easy for them to take part in a wide range of sports and active pursuits regardless of their basic abilities or talents. And of course not everyone wishes to play competitive sport so we offer a good range of health and lifestyle activities such as dance, fitness, self-defence and yoga. Girls take part in sport both during the regular school day and also in sessions after school. Students are encouraged to try activities that are new to them, and we place great emphasis on leisure activities that can be pursued after leaving school

Music

Music is everywhere at Alexandra College, whether it be lessons on a broad range of instruments, rehearsals for one of our many productions or a performance in the Henrietta White Centre, the sound of singing and playing is always in the air. There is much demand for music tuition and we meet this in a separate building with ten rooms dedicated to music, where we offer a comprehensive range of instrumental and vocal tuition, provided by ten experienced music teachers.

Creative Arts

Art has long been an area of strong interest for our students. We aim to give them a balance between experiencing, making and understanding art and design, with emphasis also on its history and appreciation. We offer a broad range of techniques from painting and drawing to ceramics, textiles, graphic design and photography. Through project work we give students a wide variety of creative experiences that appeal to a broad range of ability levels and styles, and they get full scope to explore their ideas, techniques, media and skills

The Drama Department in Alexandra College is a vibrant and growing department with many activities and events throughout the school year. Students can choose between speech and drama classes, joining the Drama Club, taking the drama or effective communication modules in Transition Year, or taking part in local and national public speaking competitions.