

Education In Northern Ireland

[Mercy Primary, Crumlin Road, Belfast](#)



This all girls' Primary School was established by the Sisters of Mercy in 1857. Despite its location in a disadvantaged area in North Belfast, morale among teachers and pupils is high. There is a strong sense of community within the school and a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Each child is valued and respected in an environment which embraces diversity, nurtures talents and celebrates the achievements of all.

[Our Lady's of Mercy Secondary School, Belfast](#)



An 'oasis of calm' in a flashpoint area of Belfast, Our Lady of Mercy Secondary School has been educating 500+ girls since it opened in 1960. The school is progressive and caring, offering a comprehensive programme which includes academic and extra-curricular activities. In the words of Catherine McAuley, it aims to *'prepare young women for earth without unfitting them for heaven'*.

St. Michael's Grammar School



Established in 1924, St. Michael's was originally an all-girls school enrolling pupils after 11 years. For over thirty years the school has operated as a Senior Grammar School admitting boys and girls at 14+ years from St. Mary's and St. Paul's Junior High Schools. The school has a proud academic tradition dating back over eighty years. Students also have extensive opportunities to participate in a wide range of social, cultural and sporting activities in which they regularly excel.

[Our Lady's Grammar School, Newry](#)



Our Lady's was founded by the Sisters of Mercy in 1887 and the school is very proud of its history and traditions. Pupils from more than fifty primary schools come to Our Lady's every year. While the pupils work hard and achieve superb academic success, there is also ample evidence of friendship, enrichment and fun. In this beautiful and well-equipped school, pupils are well prepared for the exciting challenges of life.

Republic of Ireland

Sisters share trusteeship with the Diocese and the V.E.C. (Vocational Education Committee)

[Athboy, Co Meath](#)



Athboy Community School was formed by the amalgamation of St. James' Vocational School and St. Joseph's Secondary School (Mercy) in 2004. The school provides a wide range of subjects in practical, academic and vocational areas of the curriculum. A co-ordinated system of pastoral care, combined with the promotion of extra-curricular activities facilitates the holistic development of all the pupils.

Ballinamore

Fatima and St. Felim's Secondary Schools together with the Vocational School offer an excellent education to the young people of Ballinamore. While offering a common enrolment and resource sharing, all three schools eagerly await the building of a new Community School.

[Ballyshannon](#)



Formed from the amalgamation of Ballyshannon Vocational School, De La Salle College and Sacred Heart Secondary School (Mercy), Coláiste Cholmcille opened in 2001. Staff, parents and students are delighted with the modern state-of-the-art facilities and the comprehensive range of subjects available in the new community school.

[Ardee, Co Louth](#)



Ardee Community School (also called St. Killian's) was established in 1974. It was an amalgamation of three schools which had previously existed independently - St. Anne's Convent of Mercy, De La Salle Brothers' School and the Vocational School. Ardee Community School is proud of the excellent facility it provides and of the wide range of educational opportunities it offers, both technical and academic.