

INTRODUCTION

The St Edmund's College Hostel was constructed in 1957 and the first batch of students was admitted in 1958. In 1998, the hostel was dedicated to the fond memory of Br. J. N. Foley, a former principal of the college, during whose tenure the hostel was opened.

Over the last 69 years, the hostel has been an integral part of the college and has contributed significantly to the academic character of North East India in general and Meghalaya in particular. Some of the alumni of the hostel occupy important positions in the state, the country and elsewhere in the world.

In 2013, St Edmund's College started a Girls' Hostel on campus, with funding received from the UGC. It was initiated by Br. E. V. Miranda and completed by Dr. S. Lamare.

The present Wardens of the Boy's hostel are Ms Badaplang Thangkhiew and Ms Policy Kharumnuid.

The present Wardens of the girl's hostel are Ms. Asmabeth Syiem and Ms. Bandalin Kharmalki.

ADMINISTRATION

The hostel wardens are responsible for the day-to-day care of the boarders and are supported by the Hostel Committee headed by the Rector, St. Edmund's Campus. The Hostel Committee consists of the Rector of St. Edmund's Campus, the Secretary of St. Edmund's College, the Principal of St Edmund's College, the Finance Officer of St Edmund's Campus and The Administrator of St. Edmund's Campus.

ADMISSION ELIGIBILITY

Admission is open to first semester students who have secured admission to St. Edmund's College, have a good academic record (minimum first division) and bear a sound moral character. The rules of the hostel encourage hard work and academic discipline. Admission is granted for one Academic Year initially, with preference given to science students and after due review and recommendations of the Hostel Committee, the student is allowed to stay for the successive year.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE STEPS FOR HOSTEL ADMISSION:

1. Procure the Hostel Prospectus and Admission Form from the Rector's Office after securing admission into St. Edmund's College. The duly filled application form (on the last page of the prospectus) is to be submitted along with the attested copies of the certificate and mark sheet of the last examination passed.
2. The boarders should have a Local Guardian. The Local Guardian cannot be a student from a college in the city nor should he/she be a student in the University. Research Scholars also cannot be Local Guardian of the boarders. Local Guardians of the boarders should meet the Warden when the student is admitted to the Hostel. The Local Guardian is expected to monitor the academic performance of the boarder periodically and coordinate medical treatment of the boarder if needed. Any change in the Local Guardian has to be officially informed to the warden by the parents.
3. A copy of the Photo ID and address proof of the local guardian along with one passport size photograph are to be submitted.

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4. Once accepted, the necessary payments have to be made via the “LINWAYS” app using UPI services.
5. Parent/Local guardian has to meet the Wardens along with the applicant.

FEE STRUCTURE:

Fee Structure for students admitted in 2026-27:

1. Admission Fee : Rs 2,000/- per Academic Year
2. Boarding Charges : Rs 63,000/- per Academic Year
3. Caution Deposit : Rs 5,000/- one time

Total Academic Yearly Fee : Rs 65,000/-

Mess fees will be according to actual as billed by the caterer. The tentative amount of Rs 200/- per day (includes breakfast, lunch, evening tea and dinner) will be collected by the 3rd of the following month.

The fees payable is as follows:

- (a) First Installment** : Rs 50,000/- (payable at the time of admission)
(b) Second Installment : Rs 20,000/- (payable by 10th September 2026).

The above payments (1st Installment, 2nd Installment) are to be made through “Linways” using **UPI** services. Mess charges should be paid to the Asst. Warden by the 3rd of the following month.

After being admitted to the hostel, should a boarder decide to leave the hostel or be expelled by the Hostel Committee, they will be liable to pay the outstanding amount of the Total Academic year that includes fees listed in Item no 1 to 3.

ACCOMMODATION:

The Boy's Hostel has a Capacity of 36 boarders with double occupancy rooms. The Girl's Hostel has a capacity of 42 boarders with double occupancy rooms.

The hostel has basic amenities such as a common room, dining hall, bathrooms with hot water facility, a television (with Tata Sky connection), desktop computer with internet facility, ironing room and Inverter power back-up. It also provides sports and games facilities, newspapers and magazines for relaxation/entertainment of the boarders. Each hostel has a sick room with a nurse, visiting daily for an hour every morning.

The hostel management strives to provide an ideal environment for the all-round development of the students in a home away from home.

ACTIVITIES

The hostel administration encourages hard work and academic discipline providing a conducive atmosphere for studies. Besides academics, the boarders have various activities spread over the year which helps in forming strong bonds between the boarders.

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A weekly activity in the hostel is the Sunday Evening Prayer Fellowship (managed by the boarders). This Fellowship provides an opportunity for students to develop their spiritual belief, personality and creates a sense of bonding among fellow boarders. Besides this, all Catholic boarders are expected to participate in the activities of the Catholic community on the campus.

OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Regular sports (both indoor as well as outdoor).
- Social/community work on Sundays and holidays.
- A "Welcome Meet" at the beginning of the odd semester and a "Thanks Giving" function at the end of the even semester.
- Sporting and Literary competitions drawn over a week or so.
- The 'Advance - Christmas' function towards the end of the year.

GENERAL RULES FOR BOARDERS

1. If a student leaves the hostel in between the academic year (expelled or otherwise), he/she will not be eligible for any refund. Caution deposit will not be refunded to those students who fail and drop in university/board examinations or are expelled or leave the hostel in between the session.
2. Boarders must carry their Hostel Ids with them at all times which they will have to produce at the gates during IN and OUT of the campus.
3. Only 2 Night-Outs are allowed in a month.
4. All official work (such as seeking permission for Night-Outs, Field Trips, Settlement of Accounts, etc.) with the Warden has to be done at least two days in advance. Permission for Night-outs, movement of boarders going home, or returning to the hostel will be granted only after receiving written consent from Parents/Local Guardians, duly sanctioned by the Administrator. In addition, a note of confirmation must be sent by the Parents/Local Guardians, explicitly stating that they take full responsibility for the boarder's movement.
5. Boarders going out for Field Trips must produce a letter signed by the HOD of their respective departments and the Administrator.
6. Boarders shall not be permitted to go out for picnics or events on their own or with friends. Participation will be allowed only when such activities are officially arranged by the Departments, Hostel or College with the consent of their parents/guardian.
7. If the boarder remains out of the Hostel for the night without the permission of the Warden, he/she is liable to being expelled from the Hostel.
8. The parents and the local guardian of the boarders are allowed to visit the boarders between 4 pm to 5 pm. Visits from others (relatives/friends) are not permitted.
9. Boarders/Parents must inform the Warden about any chronic disease(s)/medical history during the time of admission. Boarders who are suffering from ill health must inform the Warden and they should not abstain themselves from classes without the permission of the Warden. Boarders should not consume any medicines without proper prescription. No boarder is allowed to give medicines to others without informing the Warden. Boarders suffering from contagious/epidemic diseases will be asked to shift to their local guardian/parents for proper treatment. While rejoining the hostel, proper medical documents supporting his fitness should be submitted.
10. The academic performance and general conduct of the boarder is constantly reviewed and the renewal of the hostel seat will be made on the basis of recommendation of the Hostel Committee and wardens.

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11. Silence should be maintained during study timings as decided by the Hostel Wardens.
12. Parents/local guardians are discouraged to call the boarders during study hours. Boarders are not to keep expensive mobile sets and they alone will be liable for the safety of their belongings.
13. Talking loudly and gathering of boarders along the corridors is not allowed.
14. During Study hours boarders should not bolt their rooms from inside nor visit the rooms of others without the permission of the warden. Boarders are instructed to lock their rooms while they are not in their rooms for the safety of their personal belongings.
15. Putting up obscene posters, writing with marker on the walls or staining the walls etc. are not allowed in the rooms. Cleanliness has to be maintained in the room and the hostel walls should not be defaced.
16. Boarders are not permitted to cover the glass on the door with paper or any other material. Clothes are not to be hung so as to obstruct the view through the glass.
17. Inspection of all the rooms in the hostel will be conducted by the Wardens once a week.
18. Water should not be wasted and washing/bathing should be done in proper assigned places only.
19. Washing of blankets and jackets inside the hostel premises is strictly prohibited.
20. Wastage of food is a breach of discipline. Boarders are to inform the Wardens in case they intend to skip meals for a day, failing which the cost of the meals will be charged. Typical vegetarian food is not served in the hostel. Food should not be taken to their rooms from the dining hall, unless special permission is granted by the warden.
21. Sporting activities in the evening are encouraged for boarders. The use of the common room for activities other than sporting/recreational should be with the warden's permission. Sporting activities are not allowed between 11 am to 3 pm on holidays/Sundays.
22. Formation of any unions/groups/forums on regional/lingual/religious or on any other basis is totally banned in the hostel. Any such activities may lead to immediate expulsion.
23. All boarders are to return to the hostel within the time fixed by the Hostel Committee.
24. Boarders need to dress appropriately at all times and have a respectable haircut.
25. Boarders found smoking, chewing tobacco/beetle nut, drinking alcohol, gambling, archery "teer" or using narcotic drugs etc., will be asked to leave the hostel premises with immediate effect.
26. No room heaters or other electrical appliances are allowed. Tampering with electrical connections is strictly prohibited. Lights should be put off when not in use.
27. Playing music/musical instruments is strictly prohibited during study hours.
28. Boarders are not allowed to entertain the hostel staff in their rooms.
29. Boarders should handle with care the hostel property and should not tamper with it.
30. Boarders are not permitted to keep the belongings of other individuals in their rooms.
31. Switching of rooms once assigned to a boarder without permission is not allowed.
32. Boarders are to use the Attendance Machine every morning and evening at a specific time fixed by the Warden.
33. Boarders are to leave the hostel within two days of completion of their University examinations. They are to report to the Warden before their departure and on return from home.
34. Any breach of the rules will lead to a penalization. General Rules and fee structures set out in the prospectus are framed by the Hostel Committee and are liable to be changed from time to time.
35. Kindly Note: There will be Zero Tolerance for ragging of any sort.