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Marino Institute of Education welcomes Minister Foley's announcement on 27 March 2023 that 610 extra primary teaching places will be created over the next two years. .

In 2023 Marino Institute of Education will offer 110 additional teacher education places: 30 places on the Bachelor in Education (B.Ed., Primary Teaching) programme, 30 places on the Bachelor in Education Through the Medium of Irish (B.Oid.), and 50 new places on the Professional Masters in Education (PME, Primary Teaching).

MIE President, Professor Teresa O'Doherty, said 'We are delighted to expand our student numbers and to offer more students the opportunity to embark on such a fulfilling and important profession as primary school teaching. We feel privileged to be able to provide this opportunity and look forward to guiding our students on their journey, giving them the best possible college experience'.

Marino Institute of Education has been growing its student numbers in recent years and these extra student spaces will greatly enhance our student community and the overall atmosphere on campus. The Institute welcomes this continued growth and believes it will be welcomed by students and by primary schools throughout the country.

The Registrar, Dr Seán Delaney, notes 'CAO points for primary teaching have risen over the last number of years because of high demand for places and this increase in student places should put teaching within the reach of many more committed students. This is very welcome news for those who dream of becoming a primary teacher'.

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