

Gavril had some trouble at the Coláiste, primarily due to his incessant pursuit of the female students (and instructors) and the subsequent upheavals caused by the boyfriends or relatives of the objects of his desire. He was a source of frustration for Máthair, though she never once doubted her decision to offer him a position at the school and never gave Gavril any inkling that she was considering putting him out.

His training over the two years at the Coláiste was divided into several areas:

- He had classes and studies with the rest of his crew – his Criú, as the units of Bairdéir are named - (Cerallos, Dílis, Béar, and Skáth) which focused on enhancing their ability to work together and use the strengths of each to compensate for the weakness in the others. The group spent much time together over the entire two year course of study, learning which of them should lead in different situations. Gavril's adept handling of social situations was quickly capitalized upon, and he emerged as the leader of the group in the public arena (though, truthfully, his fairly frequent indiscretions led them into many of the situations he was required to extract them from).
- Many of his studies focused on improving his already formidable skill with the sword and dagger. His mentor and advisor throughout his time at the school, none other than Naíolann anSíocháin himself, considered by most to be the best swordsman in Domhan, spent much time with Gavril in the training ring, honing Gavril's skills and working on ways to help compensate for the weakness of Gavril's crippled leg. Gavril emerged with a strong set of skills with the sword and a vastly improved working knowledge of *TyraKalari* – the quick, light Air based martial art of Domhan with which he appears to have a strong affinity.
- Gavril also spent much of his time studying the geography and culture of some of the other city-states in Máthair's recently forged realm, making him the Criú's expert on cultures other than that of Tearmann.

By the end of his time at the Coláiste, the bond between himself and the rest of his Criú was cast in steel. In addition, he has learned the worth of the rest of the Bairdéir – the Queen's judgment in the matter of character has been flawless when it comes to those offered this opportunity. While some don't make it through the training, it is never because of lack of character.

The Bairdéir, both those established and those in training, spend much of their 'free time' at Airgead's – a pub in the outer city that has become a favored place for students at the Coláiste to gather for fellowship and friendly, often very animated, discussions of topics of study at the school, different instructors (even while said instructors are present, as they often are at Airgead's), and the relative merits of just about everything. Airgead McFionnuar, the proprietor, is remarkably tolerant of the idiosyncrasies of the students, and they've become almost his sole clientele. Gavril spent a considerable amount of time at Airgead's, always playing the wit and dandy to Béar's taciturn presence and often diffusing potentially violent responses to Skáth's pointed attempts to prick other patrons to get a rise from them.

The suite in the dormitory where the party spent their first night becomes theirs on a permanent basis when they accept positions in the Coláiste. Even after their studies end and they graduate, this suite will belong to this Criú until they disband voluntarily. There are rooms for as many as 7 in the suite, which is also the maximum number in any one Criú. Gavril's Criú spend a lot of time here, studying together and discussing their experiences over the two year course of study.

Graduation is a simple ceremony, held in the public Throne Room with the Bairdéir who are in town in attendance. It is a public affair, so anyone who wishes can attend but it is a rare event when more than 10 or 15 people besides the Bairdéir and the honorees families attend.