

ENROLMENT POLICY

The Catholic Education Commission strives to make Catholic schooling available to all children whose parents wish them to receive a Catholic education based on Gospel values within a caring Christian environment. St Mary's College strives to achieve this for all of its students.

Priority for enrolment into the College is as follows:

Primary

1. Catholic students from the Broome and Kimberley Parishes with a priest reference
2. Other Catholic students
3. Siblings of Non-Catholic students
4. Non-Catholic students from other Christian denominations
5. Other Non-Catholic students

Secondary

1. Catholic students from Catholic primary schools with a Parish Priest reference
2. Catholic students from non-Catholic primary schools with a Parish Priest reference
3. other Catholic students from Catholic primary schools
4. other Catholic students from non-Catholic primary schools
5. siblings of non-Catholic students
6. non-Catholic students from Catholic primary schools
7. non-Catholic students from other Christian denominations
8. other non-Catholic students

The Principal may vary the above priorities to suit particular local circumstances prevailing at the time after prior consultation with the Director of Catholic Education and written confirmation of the outcome.

On application for enrolling a child in the school, parents will complete an 'Application for Enrolment' form. Each application for enrolment will be considered individually. The Principal reserves the right to enrol students without giving reasons for selecting one applicant ahead of another.

Parents of a selected applicant will be required to attend an Enrolment Interview with the Principal, Head of Secondary or Head of Primary. At least one parent and the child will be expected to attend the interview, bringing scholastic, sacramental and medical records.

No Catholic child will be denied admittance on the basis of the family's inability to pay fees. However, all families are encouraged to make some contribution towards fees.

On enrolment of their children in St Mary's College we ask that parents:

- be supportive of a full Catholic education for their child.
- realise that Pre-Primary is a very necessary step in the education of their child.
- understand that Kindy enrolment necessitates the child continuing to Pre-Primary at St Mary's College.
- Pre-Primary enrolment necessitates the child continuing in Year 1 at this school.
- Year 6 enrolment necessitates the child continuing in Year 7 at this school.

- support the spiritual and educational programme of the school.
- pay school fees, except in cases of genuine hardship where alternative arrangements may be made by appointment with the Business Manager.
- work co-operatively with and within the school.
- be actively involved in the life of the school.
- ensure their child attends school in correct and full school uniform, maintained in good repair, thus encouraging development of school community, pride and self-discipline.