



SNOWY MOUNTAINS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

'In Christ We Strive For Excellence'

ABN 76 076 793 863

ENROLMENT POLICY

STATEMENT OF ENROLMENT POLICY

RATIONALE

Snowy Mountains Christian School seeks to cultivate a school community with a Christ – centred world view, founded on biblically based beliefs, values and behaviour. The school desires to nurture , train and educate children in an environment that acknowledges their strengths and weaknesses in character and academic achievement. It seeks to develop the student to his/ her full potential, using innovative educational experiences to do this.

The school also desires to be intentional in its endeavours to encourage its students to become genuine followers of Christ, acknowledging at all times that it will be the work of the Holy Spirit in each individual that accomplishes this.

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- 1. The school will seek enrolment of students from families who desire a Christian education for their children and who support the ethos of the school.*
2. Priority of enrolment will be given to the children of staff members and siblings of current school families, so that all children of a family can be enrolled, if possible.
3. Parents must exhibit a willingness to accept the school's Christian teaching. They will be asked to read the Statement of Faith, and they will be taken through the Vision, Mission and Values Statements of the school and the school's Conditions of Enrolment. They will be expected to demonstrate strong support for the school's educational philosophy, its Christian teaching, and its emphasis on community and service
4. Additional criteria to be considered by the interview panel before a position is offered:
 - balance of Christian / non Christian families in the class
 - position on waiting list
 - boy / girl balance in the class
 - age and readiness for school of the child to be enrolled (for kindergarten)
 - ability of the school to meet the educational, physical and emotional needs of the child
 - evidence of willingness of parents to work with the school in all matters pertaining to their child's enrolment at SMCS.
5. All offers of enrolment are at the discretion of the interview panel.

ENROLMENT PROCEDURE

APPLICATION

Submission of Enrolment Application Form together with the payment of \$50 Application Fee (non refundable) and copies of:

- *your child's birth certificate*
- *immunization certificate*
- *"Before School Screening Test" results*
- *last two school reports (for Years 1 – 8)*

INTERVIEW

Upon receipt of an application, and prior to enrolment being offered, the principal **and at least one Board member** will interview the parent(s) applying for enrolment. For enrolments for students in years 3 – 10, the child will also participate in the interview.

Prior to offer of enrolment your child may have to undertake appropriate pre-enrolment testing and assessment.

All parents re-enrolling their child into Snowy Mountains Christian School must be interviewed.

The principal will contact referees on the enrolment form if needed.

An opportunity will be given to each family to meet with the pastor and / or Board member to further explore the school's Christian beliefs with them.

OFFER OF ENROLMENT

- *If the recommendation of the interview panel is to accept the enrolment, then offer of enrolment will be made.*
- If either member of the interview panel has concerns, then the enrolment is referred to the Snowy Mountains Christian School Board.
- Once an offer of enrolment has been made the parent (s) must sign the Acceptance of Enrolment Form.
- Upon issue and acceptance of an offer of enrolment, a deposit as defined in the fee schedule is to be paid. This amount will be deducted from the first term fees.

PAYMENT OF FEES AND CHARGES

Tuition fees and other charges are payable in the first 7 (seven) days of each term ; fortnightly electronic deductions may be arranged.

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