



## Ave Maria College Handbook

### **Enrolment Policy**

#### **Formulated by: Board of Governance**

This policy is to be read in conjunction with, CEOM Policy 2.4, CEOM Policy 2.17.

#### **Mission Statement**

The Enrolment Policy should:

*"[Lead us to] living out the example of Jesus' love, [where] we aspire to building a community of love and welcome, where faith, caring and learning are intimately connected one with the other on a daily basis."*

#### **Intentions**

The Enrolment Policy will:

- Guide the College to maintain strict adherence to the purpose of the provision of Catholic Education;
- Make explicit the understanding that parents, as the first educators of their children, enter into a partnership with Ave Maria College when their daughter is enrolled into the school;
- Allow the College to exercise discretion to address pastoral issues.

#### **Consequences**

The College will offer placements to Catholic students who are:

1. Sisters of students currently enrolled in the school, provided the applicant attends a Catholic primary school;
2. Sisters of past students, provided the applicant attends a Catholic primary school;
3. Daughters of past students, provided the applicant attends a Catholic primary school;
4. Residents of one of the following equally ranked priority parishes and attending a Catholic primary school in one of those parishes;
  - a. Airport West
  - b. Avondale Heights
  - c. Essendon
  - d. Essendon West
  - e. Gladstone Park
  - f. Keilor Downs - Kealba
  - g. Keilor East
  - h. Moonee Ponds
  - i. Niddrie
  - j. Oak Park
  - k. Strathmore
5. Residents of another parish and attending a Catholic primary school in one of the priority parishes listed above;
6. Residents of another parish and attending a Catholic primary school;
7. Residents of one of the priority parishes listed above and not attending a Catholic primary school;
8. Residents of another parish and not attending a Catholic primary school;

The College will offer placements to other students who are:

1. From non-Catholic Eastern churches, are attending a Catholic primary school and are residents of a priority parish;
2. From non-Catholic Eastern churches, are not attending a Catholic primary school and are residents of a priority parish;



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3. From other Christian denominations, are attending a Catholic primary school and are residents of a priority parish;
4. From other Christian denominations, are not attending a Catholic primary school and are not residents of a priority parish;
5. Non-Christian, attending a Catholic primary school and resident in a priority parish;
6. Non-Christian, not attending a Catholic primary school and not resident in a priority parish.

The Principal reserves the right to exercise discretionary judgement for pastoral reasons.

The College will conduct the enrolment application process according to the *Enrolment Application Procedures* of the College.

This policy will come into effect for the 2009 Year 7 cohort and immediately for all applications for a placement in Years 8 to 12.

**Ratified:** Board of Governance

**Date:** 1999, reviewed 2003, 2007, May 2009