

ENROLMENT POLICY

This policy should be read in conjunction with the RPCS Mission Goals and Vision Statement

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OUTWORKING OF THE CHRIST CENTRED ENROLMENT POLICY

God's Word teaches that parents are responsible for their children's education (Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Proverbs 4:1-2, Ephesians 6:4).

Education for today's world is very complex and most parents are no longer able to train their children completely themselves. It is for this reason that they send their children to a school to assist them with this process. Christian parents should be encouraged to send their children to a Christian school, which supports Biblical values, teaches Biblical principles, and models Christian community and relationships.

The school's enrolment policy outworks the Biblical Principles outlined above viz:

- That parents are primarily responsible for their children's education.
- That education at RPCS is primarily for students from Christian homes where at least one parent genuinely seeks a Christian education for their children.

Students who are not from Christian homes may be accepted up to the end of Year 4 at the school's discretion and remain enrolled subject to normal policies until graduation in Year 12.

Students who are not from Christian homes in years 5 to 12 may be enrolled at the discretion of the principal and the Board Chair.

DISCRIMINATION

It is unlawful to discriminate against a person on the grounds of their disability, sex, or race by refusing to enrol them at the school. The school is committed to fulfilling its obligations under the law in this Enrolment Policy.

ENROLMENT PROCESS

The school has processes in place for new enrolment enquiries, maintenance of waiting lists, enrolment interviews and assessment, and offers of a place at the school. When considering making offers of a place at the School, the School will consider several factors. These are detailed in the procedural documents.

The conditions of enrolment which are signed by the parent at the time of accepting the offer deal with the prerequisites for continuing enrolment.

ENROLMENT PROCEDURES

- 1. Applications for enrolment may be made at any time by the parent/carer(s) of students to commence at Regents Park Christian School.
- 2. Students enrolling at school for the first time will be five years of age on or before 30 April.
- 3. The School will base any decision about offering a place to a student on:
 - Family relationship with the school:
 - o sibling of a current or ex-student
 - child of a staff member
 - either of the parents attended the school
 - they hold attitudes, values and priorities that are compatible with the school's ethos
 - The student:
 - the contribution that the student may make to the school, including the co-curricular activities.
 - The student's reports from previous schools or prior to school service e.g. the NSW Department of Education's Transition to School Statement
 - Other considerations:
 - The school's ability to meet the special needs or abilities of the student.
 - o Order of receipt- when the application to enrol is received by the school.
- 4. The School has an absolute discretion in determining the weight of each of the factors it considers in determining whether to offer a place for the student.
- 5. The School will meet with parent/carer(s) of the student before offering a place.
- 6. Continued enrolment at the school is dependent upon the student making satisfactory academic progress, attending consistently, and the student and the parent/carer(s) observing all behavioural codes of conduct and other requirements of the school which are applicable from time to time.



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