



AQUINAS COLLEGE ENROLMENT SCHEME



Educating Catholic Servant Leaders through Faith and Action



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Maximum Roll

- The College's roll will be managed within the maximum roll prescribed in the College's Integration Agreement.
- The Integration Agreement for Aquinas College gives preference of enrolment to students whose parents have established a particular or general religious connection with the Special Catholic Character of the College. The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference has determined the criteria for preference of enrolment in Integrated Catholic Schools.
- The number of places available for Non-Preference enrolments will be governed by the maximum number allowable under the College's Integration Agreement.

Preference Criteria

- A Parish Priest must decide on preference before the school's Principal may consider enrolling a student. Parents should contact their local parish to arrange an appointment.
- The Preference criteria when determining whether or not the parents of a child have established such a particular or general religious connection with the Catholic Special Character are:
 - 5.1 The child has been baptised or is being prepared for baptism in the Catholic Church.
 - 5.2 The child's parents/guardians have already allowed one or more of its siblings to be baptised in the Catholic faith.
 - 5.3 At least one parent/guardian is a Catholic, and although their child has not yet been baptised, the child's participation in the life of the school could lead to the parents having the child baptised.
 - 5.4 With the agreement of the child's parent/legal guardian, a significant familial adult such as a grandparent, aunt or uncle who is actively involved in the child's upbringing undertakes to support the child's formation in the faith and practices of the Catholic Church.
 - 5.5 One or both of a child's non-Catholic parents/guardians is preparing to become a Catholic.

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Preference Enrolment Applications

The following priority sequence will be utilised for Preference applications:

First Priority:

- Preference students who are enrolling from a Catholic school and have demonstrated their commitment to catholic education.
- Preference students who are siblings of current students.

Second Priority:

Preference students enrolling from other schools.

An order of priority will be established, applying some, or all of the following criteria (in no particular order):

- Preference students who can demonstrate an established connection with their local Parish.
- Preference students who are children of current staff or members of the College's Board.
- Preference students who are siblings or children of former students.



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Non-Preference Enrolment Applications

Where places are still available after applying the Preference Criteria above, enrolment of Non-Preference students will be considered.

An order of priority will be established, applying some, or all of the following criteria (in no particular order) for Non-Preference applications:

1. Non-Preference students who have demonstrated a commitment to catholic education.
2. Non-Preference students who are siblings of current students
3. Non-Preference students who are children of current staff or members of the College's Board.
4. Non-Preference students who are siblings or children of former students.
5. Any other non-preference student.

Furthermore, the Principal will endeavour to establish that the Family:

- Has a wish for a Catholic education for their child(ren).
- Will support the College in matters relating to Special Character.