



**ENROLMENT POLICY
FOR
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
IN THE
PARISH OF ST DOMINIC'S, MELTON

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ST CATHERINE of SIENA, WEST MELTON**



Catholic Education is intrinsic to the mission of the Church. It is one means by which the Church fulfills its role in assisting people to discover and embrace the fullness of life in Christ.

Our enrolment policy is based on the Catholic Education Office – Melbourne, Policy Document 2.4

1. Priority of access to our Parish Catholic Schools is given to Catholic students provided that there are places available
2. The following is the order of priority of children who are not Catholic residents of the parish:
 - Catholic children who do not reside in the parish but are recognised as parishioners by the Catholic Priest
 - Catholic children from other parishes (for pastoral reasons)
 - Children from non-Catholic Eastern churches who reside in the parish
 - Children from non-Catholic Eastern churches who reside outside the parish
 - Other Christian children who reside in the parish
 - Other Christian children who reside outside the parish
 - Non – Christian children who reside in the parish
 - Non – Christian children who reside outside the parish

Note: Siblings of children already enrolled in the school should be given priority. Siblings need to apply through the normal application processes.

3. The enrolment catchment area for each of the parish schools is defined and applicable. (See map)
4. Enrolment is open to all Catholic students with respect to the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria guidelines for the provision for students with an impairment, disability or handicap (Appendix One)
5. Parents need to be aware that acceptance at one Catholic school does not mean automatic acceptance at another Catholic primary or secondary school

In addition to the above, non-Catholic students will be accepted in our Parish Catholic Schools on the following basis:-

- i. That there are places available and Catholic students will not be excluded due to the inclusion of non-Catholic students

- ii. That parents, applying for enrolment of non-Catholic students, are aware of the nature of the school and undertake that the culture, life and identity of the catholic school will be respected

CONDITIONS OF ENROLMENT

1. Enrolment at either of the Parish schools is not automatic, but is subject to the above criteria, to the availability of places and to the discretion of the Parish Priest, in consultation with the respective School Principal.
2. In the process of enrolment, parents are asked to disclose relevant information by completing the Enrolment Application Form. Failure to disclose accurate information concerning your child may negate enrolment, or continuance of enrolment.
3. Generally once a child is enrolled at one of the Parish Schools, and considering all relevant circumstances, students can expect to complete their education at that school.
4. In all cases of enrolment there is an expectation for parents to support their child’s faith and academic development, observe expectations, assist the school through the avenues open to them and involve themselves as much as possible.
5. Parents/guardians must recognise and be prepared to meet their financial responsibilities for the ongoing education of the child. (any difficulties in this regard should be discussed with the Principal).

MAP OF SCHOOL BOUNDARIES

