



Enrolment in Catholic schools policy

Policy

All schools will have enrolment procedures which encourage and support access by all families who seek a Catholic education.

Rationale

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

The mission of Toowoomba Catholic Schools (TCS) is academic success for all students within a distinctively Catholic environment.

The policy provides direction and guidance to schools in the formulation of equitable enrolment procedures which maintain accessibility and alignment with mission.

Actions

- Schools will use the TCS Enrolment application procedures for all students.
- Schools will accept students for enrolment on the basis that they and their family agree to support the ethos and values of Catholic schools and have a desire for faith education in the Catholic tradition.
- The order of priority for enrolment will be given as follows.
 - Students with siblings who currently attend or have attended the school.
 - Students whose family worships in a Catholic parish.
 - Students whose family demonstrates a commitment to the ethos and values of Catholic schools and have a desire for faith education in the Catholic tradition.
- Schools will publicise their enrolment procedure and timeline to ensure equitable access by all families.
- Schools will not deny enrolment to any family on the basis of a genuine inability to pay school fees and levies.
- Schools will provide parents with information about the quantum and payment methods of fees and levies and the TCS concession procedure during the enrolment procedure.

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