



MSEI POLICY 3.0

ENROLMENT POLICY FOR MERCY SECONDARY SCHOOLS

PREAMBLE

The development and publication of an Enrolment Policy is essential for each school, so that parents are clearly informed of the criteria and processes for enrolment, and the expectations of students. This document will be the basis of defence in any circumstance when the school is challenged as being discriminatory in the matter of enrolment.

While it is understood that local circumstances and populations can differ markedly from school to school, and that this will be reflected in the enrolment policy, it is expected that the enrolment policy of each school will be in accordance with CECV policy and that of the relevant diocese. The Enrolment Policy of each school will also reflect the commitment of the Sisters of Mercy to providing secondary education within a distinctly Catholic context.

CONTENT

The Enrolment Policy of each school will contain a clear statement of the criteria and order of preference for enrolment. It is expected that this order of preference would give priority to Catholic students, especially to those attending Catholic primary schools, and to students with siblings already attending the school.

The Policy should also indicate that when a student from another Christian denomination or of a non-Christian faith is offered a place in the school, this offer is contingent on the willingness of the parents and the student to support the philosophy and ethos of the College.

PROCESS

The Enrolment Policy of each school will outline clearly the process and time-line of enrolments for Year 7, and for transfers into the school at other levels.

PUBLICATION

The Enrolment Policy of the College should be included in the College Handbook or Prospectus and on the College Website.