

Enrolment Policy and Profile

Currambena is a comprehensive co-educational secular K-6 school providing an education underpinned by democratic values and operating within the curriculum guidelines of the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA). Currambena is very limited in places that occasionally become available in our primary classes. The enrolment process aims to be fair and equitable, and as open and transparent as possible.

When the primary opens a place, families interested in enrolling into the pertinent class will be invited to complete an application form. Applications will be evaluated by a committee of teachers appointed by the School Council. The parents will be invited for an interview.

Offers of places will be made on the basis of a range of factors including the educational and social needs of the students, the needs of the children already enrolled, the male-to-female ratios and the anticipated social context of the class group. Siblings of children already attending Currambena and children of Currambena teachers will be given priority. Prior expression of interest and an understanding of the educational philosophy of the school may be considered during the application process.

After the interview, a final candidate will be invited for a trial day and then a decision about enrolment will be made. Offers of places in Primary are entirely at the discretion of the school.

Procedures

1. Parents/guardians interested in enrolling their children into Currambena are required to attend one of the Information Mornings.
2. If the parents/guardians are considering Currambena for their children, they need to fill in an *Expression of Interest* form, available at the Information Morning.
3. When the school opens up a vacancy in a class, families interested in enrolling into the pertinent class will be invited to complete an application form. Applications will be evaluated by a committee of teachers appointed by the School Council, giving priority to those with siblings already in Currambena, children of Currambena teachers and those who attended Currambena preschool. The parents/guardians and their child will be invited to attend an interview.
4. Each applicant's interview responses will be considered with regard to their ability and willingness to support the school's philosophy.
5. Each potential student's educational needs will be considered. To do this, the school will need to gather information and consult with the parents/family, any previous primary schools and other relevant persons.
6. Strategies will be identified which may need to be put into place to accommodate the student before a decision regarding the enrolment is made.
7. A final candidate will be invited and required to attend either a trial day at school or an orientation morning prior to the next school year.
8. The child's family will be informed of the outcome.

Continuing enrolment is subject to the student's adherence to school policies, the support of the school's Core Values and Beliefs and payment of all school fees.

On acceptance of a place:

9. All Parents/Carers/Guardians should read, understand and sign all the relevant enrolment documentation.
10. Parents will be asked to pay the enrolment fee before the students begin their first day at school.

Student population

As it is a comprehensive school, the students come from a range of backgrounds, including language backgrounds other than English. We recognise that each individual student brings to the school his/her own range of gifts and needs.