

## **Our Lady's College Annerley Enrolment Policy**

### **Rationale**

The Archdiocese of Brisbane Catholic Education Council provides a clear policy on the Enrolment of Students in Catholic Schools (July 2012). It states that schools in the Archdiocese give priority in the enrolment of students who are baptized Catholics. Schools may also enrol students from other faith traditions whose families demonstrate that they share in the expressed values of the school. In such instances schools embrace church teachings regarding respect for the faith journey of individuals within the religious dimension of the school life.

### **Introduction**

Our Lady's College is committed to the provision of high quality, inclusive and affordable Catholic education. It has an important partnership role with parents from surrounding parishes, in the provision of a secondary education for Catholic families and for those families who share in its values. The College invites enrolments from all who profess to share in the college spirit, ethos and values and who can demonstrate such support through the ways in which they currently interact within their existing parishes, religious communities, local communities and primary schools.

### **Guidelines**

1. The process of enrolment is guided by principles of justice and equity, which is reflective of our Catholic ethos and vision.
2. Enrolments are accepted up to four years in advance. That is, applications can be made in the year in which the student is in Year 3 for Year 7.
3. Interviews are conducted generally when the student is in Year 3 but may occur at any time prior to commencement given individual circumstances.
4. As part of the interview process, families will be required to present information regarding their:
  - Church affiliation (Sacramental certificates)
  - Community related activities
  - Parental expectations for their daughter at the college
  - Child's participation in her current school, progress to date and other relevant data which will provide information on support needs
  - Willingness to support the values and ethos of the College
5. Enrolment decisions are made by the Principal taking into account the needs of each student and place availability, operating in accordance with the Enrolment Policy of Brisbane Catholic Education. Preference will be given as follows:
  - baptised Catholics
  - those christened into other Christian faiths
  - those of other faiths who demonstrate a willingness to support Catholic values and ethos
6. The College adheres to the requirements of the following policies: Disability, Financial Accessibility, Applications Support Procedures and Out of Home.

**Date of Endorsement: 7/3/17**

**Date of Review: 7/3/22**