

# **Enrolment Policy**

# 1 Rationale

- 1.1 Pymble Ladies' College (the College) is a School of the Uniting Church in Australia. The College aims to provide the best possible educational outcomes for all students regardless of their religious or cultural backgrounds.
- 1.2 The purpose of this policy is to establish a framework for the College to meet its statutory and regulatory obligations.

# 2 Scope

- 2.1 This policy applies to all prospective and current students of the College, their Parent/Guardian(s) and to all staff involved in the enrolment process.
- 2.2 This policy should be read in conjunction with the *Enrolment Procedure*.

# 3 Definitions

3.1 Nil

#### 4 Policy

- 4.1 The College is a non-selective, independent, single gender school catering to female students from Kindergarten to Year 12.
- 4.2 Applications for enrolment may be made at any time by the Parent/Guardian(s) of students to commence at the College.
- 4.3 Students enrolling at the College for the first time will be 5 years of age on or before the 31 July.
- 4.4 The College will base any decision about offering a place to a student on:
  - Family relationship with the College:
    - sibling of a current or ex-student
    - mother or grandmother attended the school
    - attitudes, values and priorities that are compatible with the College ethos.

- The student:
  - the contribution that the student may make to the College, including co-curricular activities the student's reports from previous schools or prior to school service
    e.g. the NSW Department of Education's Transition to School Statement
  - students for whom English is an additional language/dialect will be required to demonstrate their proficiency in English and meet determined proficiency levels.
- The College:
  - ability to meet the special needs or abilities of the student.
- Other considerations
  - order of receipt when the application to enrol is received by the College
  - daughter of Uniting Church clergy members
  - daughter of staff
  - daughter of families on international or interstate transfer from similar schools
  - re-entering students.
- 4.5 The College will meet with Parent/Guardian(s) of the student before offering a place.
- 4.6 The College has the absolute discretion in determining the weight of each of the factors it takes into account in determining whether to offer a place for the student.
- 4.7 Continued enrolment at the College is dependent upon the student making satisfactory progress, attending consistently, and the student and the Parent/Guardian(s) observing all behavioural codes of conduct and other requirements of the College, which are applicable from time to time.

# **Boarding**

- 4.8 Full-time boarding is available to girls from Years 7 to 12.
- 4.9 Boarders must observe all rules and codes of behaviour applicable to boarders and all requirements relating to leave.
- 4.10 Boarding status can only be changed with the approval of the Principal. The Principal has the absolute discretion to change the status of a boarder to a day student or day student to boarder.
- 4.11 If a student is being withdrawn from the College or wishes to become a day student, not less than 1 term's notice must be given. If the required notice is not given, one terms' boarding fees will be charged.

#### **Overseas Students**

4.12 The school is registered to accept students normally resident overseas (Overseas Students) on Subclass 500 Student Visas and will offer a limited number of places for such students.

- 4.13 If an Overseas Student is offered enrolment all government regulations relating to visa conditions, guardianship, private health insurance and other welfare arrangements must be met.
- 4.14 The College must approve any proposed arrangements for the student's living arrangements while in Australia. These arrangements may only be changed with the approval of the College.
- 4.15 The College must be able to conduct home inspections to ensure that the student's living conditions meet government guidelines.
- 4.16 The College is compliant with CRICOS regulations.
- 4.17 This policy is not intended to extend the responsibilities of the College beyond the law.
- 4.18 The College reserves the right to change or modify this policy at any time by notice on the College website.
- 5 Guidelines
- 5.1 Nil
- 6 Responsibilities
- 6.1 Council Chairperson
- 6.2 Principal
- 7 Related Documents
- 7.1 College Enrolment Procedure
- 7.2 Application for Enrolment
- 7.3 Conditions of Enrolment
- 7.4 Anti-Discrimination Policy
- 7.5 Students with Support Needs and Disabilities Policy
- 7.6 Fees Policy

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