

Caroline Chisholm Catholic College

Enrolment Procedure

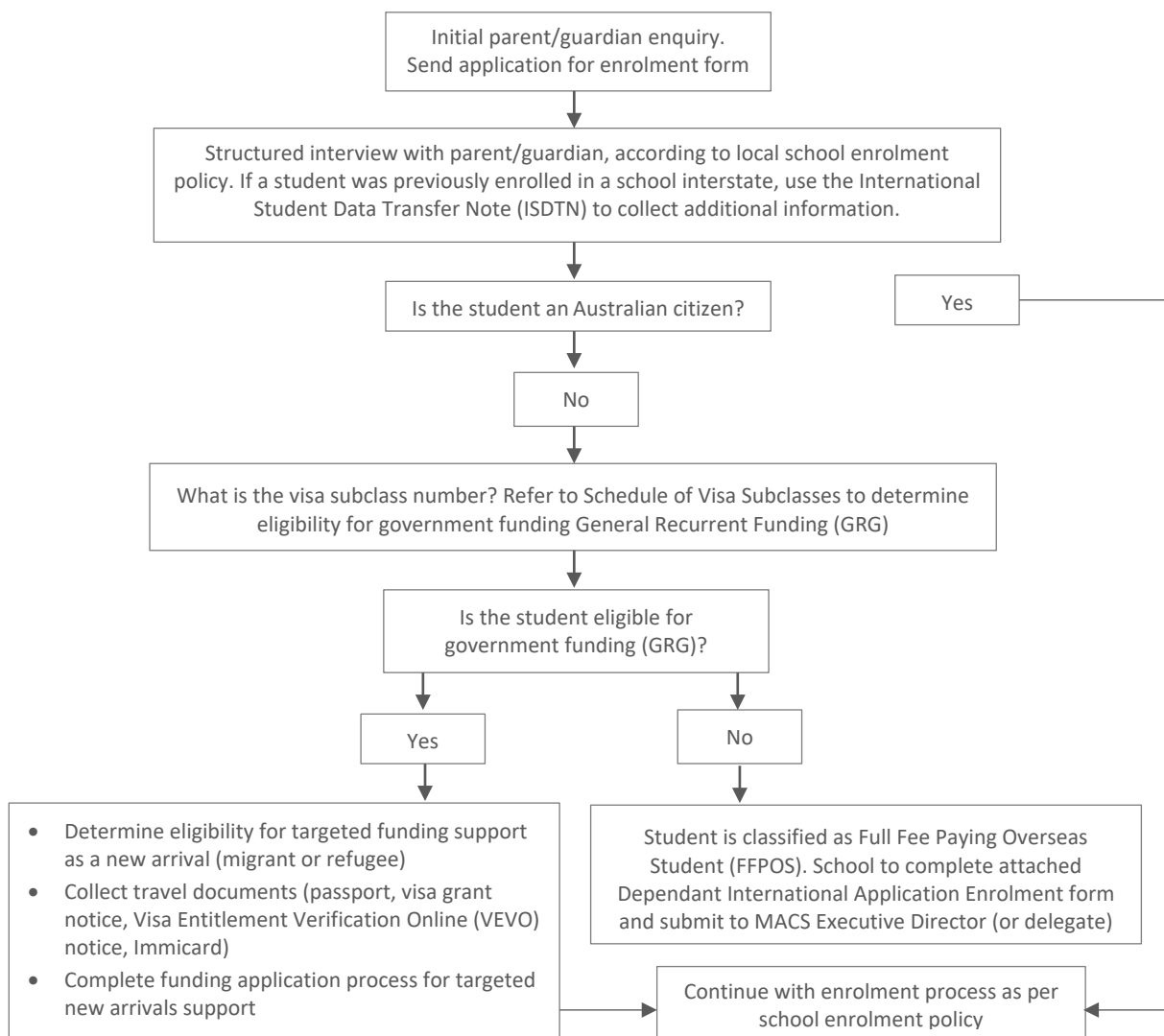


Caroline Chisholm Catholic College is a school which operates with the consent of the Catholic Archbishop of Melbourne and is owned, operated and governed by Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools Ltd (MACS), where formation and education are based on the principles of Catholic doctrine, and where the teachers are outstanding in true doctrine and uprightness of life.

Parents seeking to enrol their child in Caroline Chisholm Catholic College should review our Enrolment Policies and Procedures to understand the enrolment procedure and their obligations if the application to enrol their child is successful. A reference to Parent in this document includes a reference to a parent or guardian (as applicable).

Mandated Enrolment Procedure

To ensure consistency and transparency, we are required to follow the enrolment procedure presented in the following flow chart.



Year 7 enrolment

In enrolling students at Year 7, secondary schools that share priority parishes are required to collaborate to ensure all applicants are offered a place at a secondary MACS school. Collaboration aims to be open and transparent and consistent with local school enrolment policies and practices. Secondary schools must comply with the upper limit ceiling for Year 7 enrolments for each MACS school, and take into account the priority parishes for each school together with the agreed timeline for the Year 7 enrolment procedure.

Year 8 - 12 enrolment

If enrolling a student in years 8 – 12, it is dependant on the spaces available within our year levels and classes at that time, as our College has limits on our class and year level sizes. For these applications, the process remains the same as Year 7 applications; an application form and fee needs to be provided to the college, an interview with College staff and the student will be arranged and then a potential enrolment offer will be made. If transferring during the year, some elective subjects may not be available for the student, based on the numbers available in each class, a staff member will be able to discuss this with you in more detail during your application process. To commence at Caroline Chisholm Catholic College the student needs to have confirmed their withdrawal from their previous school.

Enrolment of students with additional learning needs

We welcome parents who wish to enrol a child with additional learning needs and explore available options to fully understand and accommodate the child's needs. The procedure for enrolling students with additional learning needs should be the same as that for enrolling any student. There is collaboration between primary and secondary MACS schools to ensure coordination and consistency of policy and procedures. We are required to comply with the relevant Australian and Victorian government legislation when considering the enrolment of a child with additional learning needs.

Enrolment of students from interstate

When enrolling students whose previous school was interstate, we use the protocols of the Interstate Student Data Transfer Note (ISDTN). This is a mandatory requirement of the Australian Government. It is the responsibility of the enrolling school to initiate and manage this procedure, and be sensitive to parent/student consent requirements for the provision of information. All relevant documents and information are available at the Education Council's website www.educationcouncil.edu.au/EC-Reports-and-Publications/EC-ISDTN/EC-ISDTN--

Dependent Full-Fee Paying Overseas Students

Parents who are studying, or planning to study, in Victoria and wish to enrol their child as a full-fee paying overseas student (FFPOS) are to refer to the Dependent Full-Fee Paying Overseas Students (FFPOS) Application which explains the application procedure and requirements and the relevant visa classes that apply.

Relevant legislation to be considered when enrolling students in MACS schools

Education and Training Reform Regulations 2017 (Vic.)

The regulations require a registered school to have a clearly defined enrolment policy that complies with all applicable state and Commonwealth laws. The Principal must be familiar with the relevant provisions of this legislation and Enrolment Policy and, as appropriate, ensure application of this Enrolment Policy.

Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic.)

This legislation prohibits discrimination by an educational authority against a person in deciding who should be admitted as a student, in the terms on which the authority admits a person as a student, or by refusing or failing to accept the person's application for admission as a student. However, an exception is provided for an educational authority that operates an educational institution wholly or mainly for students of a particular sex, religious belief, age or age group, such that it may exclude from

that institution people who are not of the particular sex, religious belief, age or age group. All other discrimination in enrolment of students is prohibited.

Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (Cth)

Under this legislation, discrimination based on disability is unlawful. It applies to school authorities and their employees. The definition of disability is broad and includes physical, intellectual, psychiatric, sensory, and neurological or learning disability, as well as physical disfigurement and the presence in the body of a disease-causing organism.

Relevant for enrolments, it is unlawful for an educational authority to discriminate against a person on the ground of the person's disability, or a disability of any of the person's associates, by refusing or failing to accept the person's application for admission as a student, or in the terms and conditions on which it is prepared to admit the person as a student.

However, it is not unlawful to refuse or fail to accept a person's application for admission as a student in an educational institution where the person, if admitted as a student by the educational authority, would require services or facilities that are not required by students who do not have a disability and the provision of which would impose unjustifiable hardship on the educational authority.

Privacy Act 1988 (Cth)

This legislation governs how schools must handle personal information collected as part of the enrolment procedure.

Our governing body has adopted a Privacy Policy in respect of its schools with which we must comply. We ensure the Privacy Policy is kept up-to-date on the school's website and in applicable forms and school documentation.