St Brigid’s College
Enrolment Policy

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St Brigid’s College welcomes applications from families who wish to share in the Mission and Vision of the college community. The first condition for admission is that students and their parents/guardians accept the values underlying the Catholic philosophy of education, and that students undertake to participate fully in the faith practices and observances of the college.

The offer of a position at St Brigid’s College is made at the discretion of the Principal. The Principal takes into consideration the following criteria:

- Priority is given to applicants whose parents/guardians have a concern for the religious development of their child.
- Priority is given to applicants who, the Principal believes are likely to benefit most from enrolment at the College.

When considering applications for places into the college the following priorities will apply:

- Catholic children with siblings already enrolled at the College.
- Catholic children from our Catholic feeder schools:
  Mary’s Mount Catholic Primary School, Gooseberry Hill; Matthew Gibney Catholic Primary School, High Wycombe; Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School, Mundaring; Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School, Thornlie; Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School, Kelmecott, St Munchin’s Catholic Primary School, Gosnells and St Anthony’s Catholic Primary School, Greenmount.
- Catholic children from other Catholic primary schools.
- Catholic children from non-Catholic schools.
- Non Catholic children with siblings already enrolled at the College.
- Non Catholic children attending Catholic primary schools.
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Other factors that may be taken into consideration, without prejudice to the above priorities include the date of lodgement of an application; applications for children of former students at the College; and day/boarding applications.

Variations to the above may occur where the Principal considers that there are significant pastoral issues which would place an application on a priority basis, given the College's particular Mercy focus.

Parents who decline an offer of a place will forfeit their priority basis if they seek to reapply for a position in the College.
No correspondence will be entered into concerning the reasons for decisions made regarding the offers of places at the College.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Application for Admission Form
- Mercy Education Privacy Policy
- Standard Collection Notice
- Fees and Charges Brochure
- Uniform Brochure
- Confirmation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Descent (if applicable)
- Parish Priest Reference

ENROLMENT PROCEDURE

Parents/Guardians complete and return the Application for Admission Form to the College Registrar. Separate enrolment applications must be completed for every child. The following attachments must accompany the Application for Admission Form:

- Baptism Certificate
- Birth Certificate
- Proof of Residence status (if applicable)
- Most recent school report
- Other relevant assessments
- Parish Priest Reference
- Copy of any Parenting Orders (if applicable)
- Copy of any conditions enforced by law (if applicable)
- Non-refundable Application Fee of $75.00 for Junior School or $100.00 for Middle and Senior School

Prior to an offer of a place at the College, parents/guardians and students will be invited to attend an interview with the Principal or nominee.

Major intake years are Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, Year 7 and Year 11, other years as numbers allow.

Parents/Guardians should understand that the College’s acceptance of an application for Enrolment does not guarantee a place, nor does it guarantee an enrolment interview. Acceptance of enrolment includes the child’s name on a waiting list with other candidates.

Application Forms with supporting documents can be submitted in person, via mail or email to the Director of Community Relations, Annamaria Cream at cream.annamaria@stbrigids.wa.edu.au

These documents are submitted to the College with a non-refundable Application Fee as per the Fee College Policy.
The College will post an acknowledgment letter to the family, this is not an indication that the enrolment has been successful.

Applications for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten will be interviewed according to the selection criteria and are required to attend an interview with the Head of Junior School the year prior to entry.

Applicants for other years in Junior School will be required to attend an interview as positions become available.

Applicants for Year 7 and Year 11 will be interviewed according to the selection criteria and are required to attend an interview with the Principal or Senior Leadership Team Member. This process begins two years prior to entry.

Applicants for other years in Middle and Senior School will be required to attend an interview as positions become available.

The Principal has the sole right of discretion in the enrolment of students.

**ACCEPTANCE OF ENROLMENT**

If an offer of a position is made, parents/guardians and students need to sign an undertaking to support the College rules and standards of conduct and behaviour. This Acceptance Form needs to be returned to the College with a non-refundable Confirmation of Enrolment Fee as per the Fee Collection policy.

The Ministerial Council of Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs (MCEETYA) requires information for Assessment and reporting purposes. This information is gathered through the MCEETYA Data Collection form which is to be completed and returned to the college with the Acceptance Form.

Acceptance of a position at the College confirms the student understands fully and supports the programmes the College offers, and agrees to participate fully in all College activities, curricular and co-curricular, as required. The parent/guardian agree to support and encourage this participation.

Parents/Guardians are responsible for the prompt payment of all fees and charges as per the Fee Collection policy. This policy is available on the College website.

Any change of address, or cancellation of the application for any reason, must be notified in writing. Failure to advise the college may render this application for admission void.

Once a student has commenced at the College, parents/guardians are required to give one full Semester for a Boarder and one full Term for a Day Student in advance notification if removing their child from the college, penalties in accordance with the Fee Collection Policy in lieu of notice will apply.