Enrolment Policy



1. Introduction

Lavalla Catholic College (the College), which is governed by Marist Schools Australia, aims to be a Catholic and Marist Community that strives to achieve excellence for all. This is achieved through ensuring that all community members, especially our students, are safe, happy and have opportunities to be successful. This goal is achieved through living Gospel values.

The College is committed to an enrolment policy that is consistent with our vision and mission statement and all applicable State and Commonwealth laws, including anti-discrimination, equal opportunity, privacy and immunisation legislation.

This enrolment policy applies only to domestic students.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide clarity of the processes and procedures for families seeking to enrol their children at the College.

3. Principles

The College strives for strong partnerships with the families of our students.

The following enrolment guiding principles give direction in determining enrolment processes and procedures for the College:

3.1. Strive to be authentically Catholic and faithful to the tradition and teachings of the Church.

- **3.2.** A community whose mission is to provide its members with a holistic education which takes place in an environment formed by the teachings and values Christ gave us in the Gospels.
- **3.3.** The Catholic school community strives for strong partnerships with the parishes it serves.
- **3.4.** Families who choose a Catholic school for their children do so on the understanding that they respect and agree to support the Marist and Catholic identity, ethos and mission of the College and acknowledge the importance of religious education for their children.
- **3.5.** Families will be asked to recognise the importance of religious education for their children through supporting the prayer life, Retreat program, mass / liturgical programs, other religious celebrations and spiritual development opportunities.
- **3.6.** Financial hardship will not be a ground for automatic refusal of enrolment. In circumstances where a family is experiencing genuine financial hardship, this will be taken into account at the time of enrolment. The College may put in place payment arrangements, such as fee concessions.

- **3.7.** Have a particular responsibility to welcome, accept and support those who are poor, marginalised and in most need.
- **3.8.** Have a responsibility to ensure that the requirements of State and Commonwealth legislation are met when processing enrolments.
- **3.9.** Have a responsibility to promote enrolment in Catholic schools.

6. Questions

Should you have any questions in relation to our Enrolment Policy or Enrolment Agreement, please contact the College Registrar (<u>registrar@lavalla.vic.edu.au</u> or (03) 5174 7355).

7. References

Application for Enrolment Form Enrolment Agreement Fees Agreement Global Fees Policy Privacy Policy *Education and Training Reform Act 2006* Education Council – Interstate Student Data Transfer Note