

Enrolment Statement

The New Plymouth Adventist Christian School was established by the Seventh-day Adventist church to provide a high-quality education within the values framework of Christian education. Historically students in Adventist school have come from both the wider Christian community as well as children from the local Adventist church. A state integrated school legally selects students on the basis of their connection to the school's special character.

For the New Plymouth Adventist Christian School, a preference applicant is a student whose family / caregivers have, in the opinion of New Zealand Seventh-day Adventist Schools Association, established a particular connection with the school through membership of, or affiliation with, an Adventist Church having a Biblical basis of faith consonant with the School's Statement of Special Character as described in the Integration Deed of Agreement or a general connection with the school through a demonstrated acceptance of this statement of Special Character.

The school's roll will be managed within the maximum roll prescribed in the school's integration agreement.

Students who are from families seeking an education but who do not, in the opinion of the New Zealand Seventh-day Adventist Schools Association, have a particular or general connection to the special character may be enrolled as non-preference students within the number of non-preference positions allowed under the Deed of Agreement. Should the New Plymouth Adventist Christian School have an enrolment that is more than 80% of its maximum roll, it will suspend non-preference enrolments in favor of preferential families with the exception of siblings of non-preference families who are enrolled at that time.

To manage the roll enrolment of students is dealt with in the following manner:

Priority Enrolment

Applications for enrolment at each year level will be processed in the following order of priority:

First Priority will be given to preference applicants for whom the school is reasonably convenient. [Note 1] Students within this priority group are guaranteed enrolment unless including all of them would exceed the school's maximum roll.

If including all first or second priority applicants would exceed the school's maximum roll then criteria for selection will be based, in sequence of the following categories:

- a) Enrolments deemed preferential with a 'particular relationship with the special Seventh-day Adventist character of the school';
- b) Children of Board employees, Board members, board of proprietors or SDA clergy who regularly contributes to services at the school;
- c) Enrolments deemed preferential with a 'general relationship with the special character of the school';
- d) Enrolments from 'Footsteps Preschool' with a 'particular relationship with the special Seventh-day Adventist character of the school';

- e) Enrolments from 'Footsteps Preschool' with a 'general relationship with the special character of the school';
- f) Siblings of current New Plymouth Adventist Christian School students at 'Footsteps Preschool;'
- g) Children from 'Footsteps Preschool;'
- h) Siblings of former New Plymouth Adventist Christian School students at 'Footsteps Preschool;'
- i) Children of former New Plymouth Adventist Christian School students at 'Footsteps Preschool;'
- j) Enrolments deemed non-preferential entering a year levels where spaces are available such as New Entrants;
- k) If there are more applicants in any one priority grouping than places available, places may be allocated by ballot

Where the number of places available at any year level runs out within any of the category levels a) to k) above, priority in each category will be assigned based on the order in which the enrolment applications were received by the school.

Unsuccessful applicants at each year level will have their names recorded on a waiting list, within their relevant priority category, ranked in the order of the date in which the application was received by the school. The waiting list at each year level will remain current until the board next notifies the public that it is inviting applications for new enrolment intake.

Second Priority will be given to non-preference applicants. Non-preference students will be enrolled only if enrolment places remain after all preference applicants have been enrolled, the roll is not within 80% of the maximum roll and the board judges that enrolment of the non-preference students will not compromise its ability to offer places to preference students who might apply for enrolment at a later date. Priority among non-preference students will be given to students who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Siblings of non-preference students already enrolled in the school
- Enrolment is sought at Year 0 or 1
- Proximity to the school.

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