

# RANGIORA NEW LIFE SCHOOL (418)

## Proposed Enrolment Scheme

Rangiora New Life School is a State integrated school with a Christian Special Character which is defined in its Integration Agreement.

### Enrolment

The School operates an enrolment scheme under [Section 71](#) and [Clause 16](#) of [Schedule 20](#) to the Education and Training Act 2020 (Act). The School Board (Board) is legally responsible for managing enrolments and is required to work within the school's maximum roll as outlined in their Integration Agreement. The Board will manage the roll by offering a targeted number of places each year and assigning these places in accordance with priority categories.

The Act ([Schedule 6, Clause 26](#)) states that "The children of parents who have a particular or general philosophical or religious connection with a State integrated school must be preferred to other children for enrolment at the school".

### Area of Reasonable Convenience

The Act ([Schedule 20, Clause 16b](#)) states that an enrolment scheme "must accord priority to applicants for whom the school is a reasonably convenient school". The Christian Education Network provides Christian education to the area bounded by the Rakaia River in the south, the Canterbury/Westland boundary along the Southern Alps in the west, Hurunui River to the North, and the Pacific Ocean to the East. This area is divided into catchments. The catchment for this school is described in the written description and shown in the associated catchment map.

### Priority of Enrolment

Applications for enrolment close on the date published on the school's website (Closing Date) and all applications will be processed in the following order of priority as at this date:

<b>Preference Applicants</b>	
<p>A preference of enrolment at the school shall be given to those students with parents who have established a particular connection with the school through membership of, or affiliation with, the Gateway Life Church, or a general connection with the Special Character of the school through belonging to other Christian churches having a similar biblical basis of faith and doctrine in New Life Fellowship as described in the Special Character definitions and statement of faith s18(a)-(c) in the school's Integration Deed of Agreement.</p>	
<p><b>Priority 1 – within catchment</b></p>	<p>Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, reside <b>within</b> the school's catchment will be offered places in the following Priority order:</p> <p>Applicant;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Is a sibling of a current student</li> <li>b. Is the child of a current permanent employee of Rangiora New Life School</li> <li>c. Is the child of a current permanent employee of a CEN School, CEN School Board member, CEN Board of Proprietor member or is the child of a member of the Proprietor Church</li> <li>d. Is currently enrolled at another Network School</li> <li>e. Is a sibling of a student currently enrolled at another Network School</li> <li>f. Has demonstrated a commitment to Christian education <b>by any of the following:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Is attending a Christian school, Christian pre-school or home school, and has done so for one year or longer</li> <li>ii. Has previously attended the school</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>iii. Has a parent who is a former student of the school</li> <li>iv. Has a sibling who is a former student of the school</li> <li>g. All other Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, reside within the school's catchment</li> </ul>
<b>Priority 2 outside catchment</b>	<p>– Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, reside <b>outside</b> the school's catchment will be offered places in the following Priority order:</p> <p>Applicant;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Is a sibling of a current student</li> <li>b. Is the child of a current permanent employee of Rangiora New Life School</li> <li>c. Is the child of a current permanent employee of a CEN School, CEN School Board member, CEN Board of Proprietor member or is the child of a member of the Proprietor Church</li> <li>d. Is currently enrolled at another Network School</li> <li>e. Is a sibling of a student currently enrolled at another Network School</li> <li>f. Has demonstrated a commitment to Christian education <b>by any of the following</b>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Is attending a Christian school, Christian pre-school or home school, and has done so for one year or longer</li> <li>ii. Has previously attended the school</li> <li>iii. Has a parent who is a former student of the school</li> <li>iv. Has a sibling who is a former student of the school</li> </ul> </li> <li>g. All other Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, reside outside the school's catchment</li> </ul>

All Preference Applicants will be given priority over all Non-Preference Applicants seeking enrolment. If the total number of applications from Preference Applicants is less than the number of places available, all Preference Applicants will be enrolled.

<b>Non-Preference Applicants</b>	
<p>Non-Preference Applicants may be considered for enrolment only if enrolment places remain after all Preference Applicants have been enrolled and the total roll is still less than the maximum specified in the Integration Agreement. The maximum number of places available for Non-Preference Applicants will be governed by the maximum allowable under the Integration Agreement.</p>	
<b>Priority 3 within catchment</b>	<p>– Non-Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, resides <b>within</b> the school's catchment. Priority in enrolment will be given in the following order:</p> <p>Applicant;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Is a sibling of a current student</li> <li>b. Is the child of a current permanent employee of a CEN School or CEN School Board member</li> <li>c. All other Non-Preference Applicants residing within the school's catchment</li> </ul>
<b>Priority 4 outside catchment</b>	<p>– Non-Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, resides <b>outside</b> the school's catchment. Priority in enrolment will be given in the following order:</p> <p>Applicant;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Is a sibling of a current student</li> <li>b. Is the child of a current permanent employee of a CEN School or CEN School Board member</li> <li>c. All other Non-Preference Applicants residing outside the school's catchment</li> </ul>

## Catchment Area Written Description

Note that eligibility to enrol is based on the below written description of the catchment. Any associated maps are a visual representation of this description.

Addresses on both sides of boundary roads are considered within the catchment unless specified otherwise.

Starting from the mouth of the Waimakariri River;

- North along the coastline to the mouth of the Hurunui River
- West along the southern bank of the Hurunui River to Harper Pass
- South across country to the Poulter River
- South along the eastern bank of the Poulter River to the Waimakariri River
- East along the northern bank of the Waimakariri River to the river mouth/ coastline.

### Additional Entitlement to Enrol

The Act ([Section 75](#)) states that “the Secretary may authorise an enrolment scheme to permit a student to enrol at the school as if the student lived in the home zone of the school”.

Preference Applicants who are siblings of Rangiora New Life School students enrolled at the date that the enrolment scheme is implemented by the School Board, who reside within the school’s previously defined area of reasonable convenience (outer zone) will be considered as if they reside within the school’s catchment. This area is bounded by the Rakaia River in the South, the Canterbury/Westland boundary along the Southern Alps in the West, Hurunui River to the North, and the Pacific Ocean to the East. [Section 75 \(3\)](#) of the Education and Training Act 2020 sets out the definition of a “sibling” for these purposes.

The School will maintain a list of students enrolled at the time of the implementation of the enrolment scheme change by the Board in order to enable determination of eligibility to enrol under this provision. If applying for enrolment under this part of the enrolment scheme, the sibling’s name and evidence of a sibling relationship may be required by the School.

This provision will only apply to Preference Applicants who are siblings of a student who was enrolled at the School at the implementation date. This provision will not apply to Preference Applicants who have a sibling who attended the School at the implementation date, but who are no longer enrolled at the Preference Applicant’s start date.

Note that the date of implementation is the date at which the Board officially adopted the enrolment scheme, rather than the date at which the enrolment scheme commences.

### Parental Consent

- Non-Preference Applicants accept that education will be delivered in accordance with the special character of the school.
- All Applicants accept that they will be required to pay attendance dues as set by the Proprietor and these are compulsory.

### Allocation of Places and Wait List

If there are more Applicants at any year level, in categories than there are places available, places will be allocated in priority order until a category is reached where the number of spaces available in that category is insufficient to accommodate the number of eligible students. Places will then be allocated by **ballot**.

If the total number of applications is greater than the number of places available, unsuccessful Applicants will have their names recorded on a waiting list at each year level within their relevant priority category. Applicants on the waiting list may be offered places at a later date if places become available. The waiting list will remain current until the Board next notifies the public that it is inviting applications for the next enrolment intake.

### **Notifications for Pre-Enrolment Processes**

The Board must place a public notice in a medium appropriate to the area served by the school indicating the likely number of places available and the significant pre-enrolment dates and procedures that will apply.

### **Definitions**

*“Applicant”* means a prospective student for whom the application is being made.

*“Closing Date”* means the publicly notified date in each year by which applications for enrolment at the School are to be received.

*“Maximum Roll”* means the maximum number of students that should be enrolled for attendance at the School as prescribed from time to time under its Integration Agreement.

*“Network School”* means a school belonging to the Christian Education Network (CEN). CEN schools at the time of writing are: Aidanfield Christian School, Emmanuel Christian School, Hillview Christian School, Middleton Grange School, Rangiora New Life School, Rolleston Christian School.

*“Proprietor”* means the body corporate that has the primary responsibility for determining the special character of the school and for supervising the maintenance and preservation of that special character; and who owns, holds in trust, or leases the land and buildings that constitute the premises of the school.

*“School”* means Rangiora New Life School.

Words which refer to the singular shall include the plural and vice-versa.

### **Notes**

- The selection processes described above will be the basis for students applying to enrol either at the beginning of, or during the school year.
- Applicants may be required to give proof of address or sibling relationship.

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