

Rudolf Steiner School (Chch) (419)

PROPOSED Enrolment Scheme

Rudolf Steiner School (ChCH) is a State Integrated School for years 1-15 with a special character that is defined as: The school is a Rudolf Steiner/Waldorf school in which Rudolf Steiner's Art of Education is practised.

The school embraces the unique philosophy of Steiner/Waldorf education, which is rooted in the understanding that each child is a unique individual with their own talents, interests, and potential. Steiner education is based on specific stages of development and encompasses humanity focused education where creativity, curiosity, imagination, empathy, and multidisciplinary skills development and relationships are based on the perspective that every child is a unique individual. The curriculum is designed to engage children at every stage of their development, fostering creativity, critical thinking, and a deep connection to the world around them. The school provides a balanced, practical, active, and artistic education addressing head, hands, and heart – the intellectual, the social and the practical aspects of learning.

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.

All places at the school are allocated to preference students. Preference status is determined by the Proprietor.

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". For Rudolf Steiner School (Chch) this is defined as the Christchurch City Territorial Authority Boundary.

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:

Priority 1 – within area of reasonable convenience	Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, reside within the Christchurch City Territorial Authority Boundary will be offered places in the following Priority order: Applicant; a) is currently attending Christchurch Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten. b) is a sibling of a current student of the school. c) Is a child of an employee of the school's board or a child of a member of the school's board. d) is a sibling of a former student of the school. e) is a child of a former student of the school. f) All other Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, reside within the Christchurch City Territorial Authority Boundary.
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Priority 2 – outside area of reasonable convenience	Preference Applicant who, on the Closing Date, resides outside the Christchurch City Territorial Authority Boundary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) is currently attending Christchurch Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten. b) is a sibling of a current student of the school. c) is a sibling of a former student of the school. d) Is a child of an employee of the school's board or a child of a member of the school's board. e) is a child of a former student of the school. f) All other Preference Applicants who, on the Closing Date, reside outside the Christchurch City Territorial Authority Boundary.
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If the total number of applications from Preference students is less than the number of places available, all Preference Applicants will be enrolled.

Parental Consent

- Parents accept that students will participate in the general school programme that gives the school its special character
- 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 in categories than there are places available, places will be allocated in priority order until a category (or sub-category) is reached where the number of spaces available in that category (or sub-category) is insufficient to accommodate the number of eligible students. Places will then be allocated by **ballot**.

If the total number of Applicants is greater than the number of places available, unsuccessful Applicants will have their names recorded on a waiting list within their relevant priority category (or sub-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 School Board next notifies the public that it is inviting applications for the next enrolment intake.

Notifications for Pre-Enrolment Processes

The School 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.

Maximum Roll

The school roll will be managed within the Maximum Roll authorised by the Ministry of Education and prescribed in the School Integration Agreement and in terms of the Education and Training Act 2020 (Schedule 6).

Definitions

“Applicant” means a student applying for acceptance onto the student roll of the School.

“The Board” means the School Board of Rudolf Steiner School (Chch)

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

“Employee” means a person employed directly by the School on either a fixed term employment agreement or on an enduring agreement for continuous employment.

“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.

“Proprietor” means the Christchurch Rudolf Steiner School Trust

“School” means Rudolf Steiner School (Chch)

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.