



Stockton Public School Enrolment Policy

Introduction

The Education Reform Act 1990 required students between the ages of six and fifteen to be enrolled at a government or non-government school, and to attend school on each day that instruction is provided.

- Parents may seek to enrol their child at a school of their choice.
- Children are entitled to be enrolled at the government school that is designated for the intake area in which their child's home is situated and that the child is eligible to attend.
- No person will be discriminated against in enrolment on the grounds of their sex, age, race, religion or ethnicity.

Enrolment Ceiling and Buffer

Stockton Public School has an enrolment ceiling based on 11 permanent classrooms and providing a buffer to accommodate designated intake area students enrolling throughout the year. The enrolment ceiling for Stockton Primary School with 11 classes is 282 (K – 6). A buffer of 15 places will be kept to accommodate local students arriving throughout the year. Places in the buffer will not be offered to non-local students. Therefore, once enrolment capacity is reached, enrolment will not be offered to non-locals.

If a non - local child is enrolled in Kindergarten at the commencement of a year, parents need to understand that siblings of this child will only be enrolled if enrolment capacity allows.

Local Enrolments

The local enrolment area refers to the Stockton peninsular.

Criteria for Non-Local Enrolment Applications

- Siblings already enrolled at the school
- Enrolment in Stockton Public School Preschool
- Medical reasons
- Special interests and abilities – children wishing to access special programs
- Proximity and access to the school – where parents work in the area and/or the local school is not a viable alternative
- Compassionate circumstances
- Structure and organisation of the school – students who wish to access programs which differ from their local school
- Student welfare interests of the child

Placement Panel

When the demand for non-local places exceeds availability, the school will establish a placement panel to consider all non-local applications. The placement panel will be comprised of the Principal (or nominee), a staff member and a school community member (nominated by the P & C).

Feedback

Parents will be provided with an explanation of the decision of the placement panel.

Waiting Lists

Waiting lists may be established for non-local students. Parents should be advised if their child is to be placed on a waiting list. Waiting lists are current for one year.

Appeals

Where a parent wishes to appeal against the decision of the placement panel, the appeal should be made in writing to the Principal. If the matter is not resolved at the local level, the School Education Director will consider the appeal and make a determination.