



# POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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## Pompallier Catholic College Enrolment Policy

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### Maximum Roll:

The College's roll will be managed within the maximum roll of 650 students, prescribed in the College's Integration Agreement.

The number of places available for Non-Preference students will be governed by the maximum number allowable under the College's Integration Agreement.

The Integration Agreement for Pompallier Catholic College gives preference of enrolment to students whose parents have established a particular or general religious connection with the Special Catholic Character of the College. The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference has determined the criteria for preference of enrolment in Integrated Catholic Schools.

The College advises that it will be at its maximum roll of 650 students in 2023.

### Enrolments:

#### Priority One:

**Preference students** who are currently enrolled at Catholic schools, and reside in the Whangarei or Dargaville area.

Applicants satisfying this criteria will be guaranteed enrolment unless total applicants exceed the maximum roll.

In such a situation, applicants will be ranked according to the sub priorities below:

1. Year 9 applications from St Joseph's Catholic School Dargaville.
2. Siblings of current students.
3. Siblings of former students.
4. Children of current staff and Board members.
5. Other first priority applicants.

#### Priority Two:

**Preference students** who live within an area of reasonable convenience to the College. The area of convenience covers any applicant who lives within the Northland Regional Council.

Applicants satisfying this criteria will be guaranteed enrolment unless total applicants exceed the maximum roll.

In such a situation, students will be ranked according to the sub priorities below:

1. Applicants who have attended another Catholic school in the year preceding enrolment.
2. Siblings of current students.
3. Siblings of former students.
4. Children of current staff and Board members.
5. Any other preference students.

### **Priority Three:**

**Non-preference students** within the area of convenience as defined above, amongst whom priority will be given in the following order:

1. Sibling of current students.
2. Siblings of former students.
3. Children of current staff and Board members.
4. Other non-preference students.

### **Priority Four:**

**Non-preference students** who live outside the area of reasonable convenience for the College as defined above. The area of convenience and sub priorities for enrolment are as for the third priority.

### **Special Consideration for students who move into Whangarei from other Catholic schools:**

The Board of Trustees may make provision for likely population movements in the general area served by the school, that occur during the school year, or after the end of the pre-enrolment period.

### **If applications exceed the number of available places:**

If there are more applicants than there are places available, **at the deadline for enrolment specified in the enrolment process**, places will be allocated in priority order as outlined above, until a category is reached where the number of applicants in that category is unable to be accommodated by the number of available spaces.

At this point, **and for the priority category for which this occurs**, an allocation order will be determined through a ballot, supervised by a Justice of the Peace. The ballot to fill the publicised enrolment allocation for the year will be undertaken for applications received prior to the closing date for Year 7 and Year 9, and then all other year groups, until there are no further places available.

Should an applicant, with a sibling applicant in the same category, be drawn from the ballot, the sibling applicants shall be allocated a position.

Applications for students in a lower priority category than the priority category at which this process is initiated, will not be offered enrolment unless a vacancy occurs, but may be added to the priority waiting list based on preference status and priority criteria as outlined above, and ballot order.

The applications of unsuccessful students will be kept and numbered according to the priority order listed in this enrolment policy and the date their enrolment is received with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> June. These will be used as a basis for accepting students if a vacancy occurs during the year.

Should places become available due to withdrawal of an application for a place at the College, the College may contact those on the waiting list, in the order on the waiting list, to offer a place at the College.

All applicants will be notified of decisions in writing of the status of their application and position on the waiting list, if that is relevant.