

# Eligibility for Enrolment



## ***Preference of Enrolment***

Catholic schools are bound by law to enrol a majority of students (usually 95%) for whom it can be established there is “particular or general religious connection with the Special Character of the school.” A Parish Priest must decide on preference before the school’s Principal may consider enrolling a student. The criteria the Parish Priest may select from to determine preference are:

- ☐ 5.1 The child has been baptised or is being prepared for baptism in the Catholic Church.
- ☐ 5.2 The child’s parent/guardians have already allowed one or more of its siblings to be baptised in the Catholic faith.
- ☐ 5.3 At least one parent/guardian is a Catholic and although their child has not yet been baptised, the child’s participation in the life of the school could lead to the parent having the child baptised.
- ☐ 5.4 With the agreement of the child’s parent/guardian, a grandparent or other significant adult in the child’s life, such as an aunt, uncle or godparent, undertakes to support the child’s formation in the faith and practices of the Catholic Church.
- ☐ 5.5 One or both of a child’s non-Catholic parents/guardians is preparing to become a Catholic.

If you believe your daughter qualifies for Preference for Enrolment, you should make an appointment with your Parish Priest so that he may consider your case. He will have a copy of the relevant form. If he can be presented with sufficient evidence, he will sign that form to grant preference. You must bring that form to the school with your enrolment form, so that your child might be considered for enrolment.