

ENROLMENT INSTRUCTIONS

The enrolment application consists of several parts:

Form A: Information we need from you

Form B: Consents and data collection

Form C: Full-fee paying overseas and exchange students (if applicable)

Form D: Contact information form for parent / carers not residing with a child (if applicable)

The information you provide is important and will be used to assess your child's application based on our enrolment criteria. We will treat the information you provide to us in accordance with our [Privacy Statement](#) (page 6) and the [Standard Collection Notice](#) (page 3). Information you provide in this form may be sensitive. We will treat it with confidentiality subject to any requirements of the law to disclose information to others.

When completed and signed by parents/carers, the enrolment application contains the terms and conditions of enrolment. Applications for secondary school require a **non-refundable application fee of \$50**. The principal will consider the completed application and may make an offer to enrol your child at the school.

Your application does not guarantee an automatic place at the school. The school will notify you of the results of your application. If you receive a letter of offer from the school principal and accept this offer, then your child will be enrolled. To accept this offer you will be required to pay a **non-refundable enrolment deposit of up to \$100 (primary) and up to \$300 (secondary)**, which will be used towards your first term school-based fees.



If you need an explanation of any of the questions or help in completing this application, please ask the school office staff for assistance.

STANDARD COLLECTION NOTICE

1. CEDP (through our schools, Catholic Early Learning Centres (CELCS), Catholic Out of School Hours Care services (COSHCS) and offices) collects personal information, including sensitive information about students in our schools, children in our care (together 'Students') and their parent/s, carer/s or guardian/s ('Parents') before and during the course of a Student's enrolment. The primary purpose of collecting this information is to enable us to provide schooling and care for our Students.
2. Some of the information we collect is to satisfy our legal obligations, particularly to enable our schools, COSHC, CELC and offices to discharge their duty of care.
3. Certain laws governing or relating to the operation of schools and childcare require that certain information is collected and disclosed. These include the Education Act and Public Health and Child Protection laws.
4. Health information about Students is sensitive information under the Privacy Act. We may request medical reports about Students from time to time. If we do not obtain the information we may not be able to enrol or continue the enrolment of the Student.
5. We may from time to time disclose personal information (including sensitive information) to others for administrative, care and educational purposes. This includes to other schools, government departments, government agencies, statutory boards, the Catholic Education Office Diocese of Parramatta, the Catholic Education Commission, your local diocese and the parish. We may also disclose your personal information (including sensitive information) to government authorities such as the NSW Board of Studies, the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), medical practitioners and people providing services to us, including specialist visiting teachers, sports coaches, volunteers and counsellors.
6. In addition to the agencies and purposes cited at five (5) above, personal information relating to Students and Parents may also be made available, in accordance with Australian Government requirements, to ACARA for the purpose of publishing certain school information relating to the circumstances of Parents and Students on the MySchool website. The information published on the MySchool website is aggregated information and will not identify the Parent or Student.
7. Personal information collected from Students is regularly disclosed to their Parents. On occasions, information such as academic and sporting achievements, student activities and other news is published in School newsletters, our magazines, posters and websites.
8. At certain times throughout the year, our students may have the opportunity to be photographed or filmed for our school publications, such as the school's newsletter or a website and social media, or to promote the school in newspapers and other media (including third party websites). Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) may also wish to use student images, audio or material created by students' (Works) in print and online promotional, marketing, media and educational materials. CEDP seeks your consent to use your child's image/audio and his/her Works for the above purposes. Parental permission will be collected annually.
9. Our Privacy - Statement sets out how you may access and seek correction of your personal information and how Parents may access and seek correction of personal information collected about their child. However, there will be occasions when access is denied. Such occasions would include where access would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others, where access may result in a breach of our schools', CELCS', COSHCs' or offices' duty of care to the Student, or where Students have provided information in confidence.
10. Our **Privacy Statement** also sets out how you may complain about a breach of privacy and how we will deal with such a complaint. Our **Privacy Statement** is available in Policy Central at <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/privacy> and at the end of this form.
11. As you may know, we may from time to time engage in fundraising activities. Information received from you may be used to make an appeal to you. It may also be disclosed to organisations that assist in our fundraising activities solely for that purpose. We will not disclose your personal information to third parties for their own marketing purposes without your consent.
12. We may include your contact details in a class list and our schools, COSHCs, CELCs and office directories.
13. If you provide us with the personal information of others, such as doctors' or emergency contacts, we encourage you to inform them that you are disclosing that information to us and why, that they can access that information if they wish and that we do not usually disclose the information to third parties.
14. We may use service providers who provide certain services to us and our staff and Students, including data storage and contemporary online teaching tools. We may provide your personal information to such service providers in connection with the provision of these services. Such service providers may store, or process, data outside Australia, including in the United States, Singapore, Ireland and possibly other countries. We endeavour to find where these providers store their data and update this collection notice as such information becomes available to us. In addition, our email service provider may store and process emails in the United States or in any other country utilised by Google.
15. You may obtain further information from the following:
 - For our schools: the school principal
 - For our CELCs: the CELC director
 - For our COSHCs: the COSHC supervisor
 - For our offices: Privacy Officer T: 9840 5600
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta
Locked Bag 4
North Parramatta NSW 1750

CATHOLIC EDUCATION DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA POLICIES

Our Catholic learning community has in place a range of policies that set our direction and address the rights and responsibilities of its members. Our policies are available via www.parra.catholic.edu.au. Alternatively please ask school staff for assistance. We recommend that you familiarise yourself with the following:

- [Enrolment Policy](#)
- [Enrolment Procedures](#)
- [Student Attendance Exemption Guidelines](#)
- [Student Anti-bullying Policy](#)
- [Responsible Use of ICT and Social Media Student – Guidelines](#)
- [Complaint Handling Procedures and Guidelines](#)
- [Countering Discrimination, Harassment and Bullying Procedures and Guidelines](#)
- [Procedural Fairness Guidelines](#)

SCHOOL FEES

School fees are determined annually by CEDP and schools. School fees comprise:

- annual diocesan tuition fees billed in Terms 1, 2 and 3
- annual diocesan building levy billed in Terms 1, 2 and 3
- diocesan temporary residents education fees (if applicable)
- school-based fees which are set and advised by schools individually

Information about diocesan tuition fee, building levy and Sibling Discount Policy are available on the system website <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/school-fees> and are subject to variation and updates.

School fees are billed in Terms 1, 2 and 3. All school fees must be paid within 28 days of the invoice date unless a payment arrangement is agreed to by the school in writing prior to the payment due date. If parents/carers experience difficulties in meeting payments within 28 days of the invoice date they must make special arrangements for a payment plan with the school. Parents/carers are jointly and severally responsible for the payment of fees.

School based fees for items such as camps, excursions, materials or technology may be charged to a student's account or may be payable when they fall due at various times throughout the year.

A pro-rata fee based on weeks enrolled for the year is payable for enrolments commencing part way during term. If a student leaves the school during a term, no refund will be made in respect of the remaining portion of that term unless a full term's notice in writing is given to the principal before removal of the student from school. This requirement of one term's notice also applies if seeking a refund due to withdrawal of the student from an extra subject.

For overseas students eligibility and fees are contingent on the visa status, as indicated by the visa sub-class. Parents must advise the principal of changes to their visa status and sub-class as changes to a student's visa status might also result in a significant changes in applicable fees.

CEDP and its schools recognise that at times, parents/carers may experience financial hardship and have a genuine inability to pay school fees. In order for the School to consider a payment arrangement or payment plan based on financial hardship, the parents/carers must provide the School with a completed Statement of Financial Position, along with any other supporting documentation requested by the School. Where school fee accounts are unpaid and no prior arrangement has been made by the parents/carers with the school, or where arrangements made are subsequently not honoured by parents/carers, then the following school fee collection process applies:

- A collection agency or solicitors may be engaged by the school to follow up outstanding fees.
- Parents/carers must pay all expenses incurred in pursuing recovery of overdue amounts, including (but not limited to) legal fees, court costs, location administrative costs and any fees and commissions payable to debt recovery agents.
- Any legal judgements made by the court may be reported to a credit reporting agency.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND POLICIES

Our school offers comprehensive educational programs for your child. Such programs may be varied from time to time and this may include the discontinuance of teaching subjects and other programs or replacement with other subjects or programs.

School activities include excursions and camps. These form an integral part of the school's educational program. In the event that a parent/carer anticipates need for absence this should be discussed with the school prior to the event. The principal may discuss such intended absence with you if it impacts upon the educational interests of your child.

Parents/carers have the responsibility to ensure that children in their care between the ages of six (6) and 17 attend school. If your child is absent for short periods due to medical reasons and you know of the intended absence in advance please advise the school of the date/s of the intended absence and provide reasons. Otherwise the school requires a written explanation from the parent/carer for every absence on the next day following the child's absence. Failure to comply with the attendance requirements of the *Education Act 1990* may result in the enrolment contract being terminated.

If you wish to apply for extended absence of your child from school please do so well in advance of the anticipated date(s) of the absence. To comply with law governing school attendance such requests may be refused.

The school does not undertake insurance of students' personal belongings. We recommend that you obtain suitable insurance for your child's belongings (including family belongings brought to school) throughout the year.

SECURE INTERNET AND EMAIL

Students are provided with internet access and an email account to enable learning opportunities in a protected and secure environment. Students must abide by the school's policies. Students and parents/carers should be aware of our [Responsible Use of ICT and Social Media Student – Guidelines](#) and [Password – Procedures](#): see <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/policy-central>.

Privacy - Statement

Available at: <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/policy-central>

This statement sets out how the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) collects, uses and discloses personal information through our schools, Catholic Early Learning Centres (CELCS), Catholic Out of School Hours Care services (COSHCS) and offices.

What personal information do we collect and how?

We collect personal information, including health information and other sensitive information, about:

- students in our schools and children in our CELCs and COSHCs (together 'Students') and their parent/s, carer/s or guardian/s ('Parents') before, during and after enrolment
- employees and volunteers ('Staff'), contractors and job applicants, and
- other people who come into contact with us.

We will generally collect personal information via forms filled out by Parents or Students; file notes of face to face meetings, interviews or telephone calls; or correspondence with Parents or Students. Sometimes we may be provided with personal information by a third party, for example via a medical report or a reference from another school, care centre or an employer.

How will we use your personal information?

We will use your personal information for the primary purpose for which it was collected and for such other secondary purposes that are related to the primary purpose and reasonably expected.

We may use the personal information of **Students and Parents**:

- to assess enrolment applications, including assessing possible risks associated with known behaviour to safety of Students and Staff
- to facilitate a smooth transition of Students to our schools, CELCs and COSHCs, which may include a health and allergy management plan, preparing a behaviour management plan or other appropriate strategies aimed at meeting the particular needs of the Student
- to keep Parents informed about a Student's care, education and development
- to perform day to day administration
- to provide for Students' educational, social, spiritual and medical well-being and a safe learning environment
- to obtain donations and market our services
- to prepare State and national reports, and
- to discharge our schools', CELCs' and COSHCs' duty of care and our other legal obligations. We may use the personal information of **Staff and contractors**:
 - to administer employment processes and contracts
 - to enable our Staff and contractors to work together with our schools, CELCs and COSHCs
 - to obtain funds and market our services
 - to provide a safe working and learning environment
 - to discharge our legal obligations, and
 - for insurance purposes.

We will also use the information for any purpose to which you have consented or that is required or authorised by law.

Photos

Photos/video/audio of Students are used for various communication media including CEDP, school, CELC, COSHC and Catholic Education Office websites, publications, newsletters, and enrolment posters. If any Parent does not want their child's photo used in any of the above situations please inform the principal of the school, the CELC director or the COSHC supervisor, as applicable.



To whom might we disclose your personal information?

We may share personal information between our schools, CELCs, COSHCs and offices, and to:

- another school or care centre to which a student transfers
- government departments
- the local parish of the school, CELC or COSHC or your local parish
- medical practitioners
- organisations which assist us with fundraising and marketing, for example a school's parish, foundation or alumni organisation
- service providers, for example counsellors, specialist visiting teachers and sports coaches
- other service providers, such as email service providers
- recipients of school publications like school newsletters and magazines
- Parents
- anyone you authorise us to disclose information to, and
- anyone to whom we are required or authorised to disclose the information by law, including to discharge our duty of care.

Why do we use and disclose information for marketing and fundraising?

Marketing and donations play an important part in creating current and future learning and caring environments in our schools, CELCs and COSHCs. For these reasons we may disclose personal information to organisations which assist us with fundraising, for example the school's parish, foundation or alumni organisation.

Parents' occupation and education - National goals for schooling

Information about Parents' occupations and education is accessed by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) to meet the government's National Goals for Schooling in the 21st century. These state that the achievement of students in schools should not be affected by discrimination based on sex, language, culture and ethnicity, religion or disability; or by differences arising from social and economic background or geographic location. The goals also state that 'the learning outcomes of educationally disadvantaged students [should] improve and, over time, match those of other students'.

To help schools to achieve these goals, all Parents across Australia, no matter which school their child attends, are asked to provide information about family background. The main purpose of collecting this information is to promote an education system that is fair for all Australian students regardless of their circumstances.

We use the information to evaluate whether our policies are effective and to ensure that no group is experiencing undue disadvantage.

Providing information about Parents' occupation and education is voluntary, but Parents' information will help us to ensure that all students are being well served by our schools.

When will we send information overseas?

We will not send personal information outside Australia without:

- the consent (express or implied) of the individual, or their Parent where necessary, or
- otherwise complying with the Australian Privacy Principles or other applicable privacy legislation.

Our schools', CELCs', COSHCs' and office email systems are provided through Google Apps. Consequently emails and email account details may be transferred, stored and processed in the United States or any other country utilised by Google.

Our schools use a range of contemporary learning tools and latest technologies including Web 2.0 tools, Hubworks, cloud-based web services and apps for education. We may provide personal information to the relevant service provider in connection with the provision of these services. The service providers may be located, or store and process information, outside Australia, including in the United States, Singapore and Ireland.



Management and security of personal information

We have in place steps to protect the personal information we hold from misuse, interference, loss, unauthorised access, modification or disclosure by various methods such as locked storage of paper records and password access rights to electronic records. Wherever possible we require third parties with whom we exchange personal information to observe the Australian Privacy Principles.

We endeavour not to store personal information for longer than necessary.

Access and correction of personal information

You may access information we hold about you and request that it be updated or corrected. Such requests should be made in writing to the school principal or the CELC director or the COSHC supervisor (as applicable) or the relevant director of service at the Catholic Education Office. We may require you to verify your identity and specify what information you require. We may charge you a fee to access your information to cover expenses of verifying your application and locating, retrieving and copying relevant records. If the information sought is extensive, we will advise the likely cost in advance. We will not charge you for the request or correction of your personal information.

There may be occasions when access to information is denied. Such occasions may include where the disclosure of information may have an unreasonable impact on others, for example if the disclosure breaches a school's duty of care or the privacy of others. In certain circumstances, we may also refuse access to, or correction of, employee records applying exemptions under the Privacy Act.

Consent and right of access to personal information of Students by Parents

We treat consent given by Parents relating to personal information about Students as consent given by the Student and notices relating to personal information about Students given to Parents as notices given to the Student. An exception to this is when independently of Parents we may, at our discretion:

- give information we hold about a Student to that Student at his/her request, or
- allow a Student to give or withhold consent to release personal information about that Student.

This would normally be done only when the Student is of sufficient maturity and his/her personal circumstances warrant it.

There may be occasions where a Parent's access to their child's personal information is denied. Such occasions would include where release of the information would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others, or where the release may result in a breach of a school's, CELC's or COSHC's duty of care to the Student.

How do we treat sensitive information?

We will only use and disclose sensitive information for the purpose for which it was provided or for a directly related secondary purpose, unless you agree otherwise or the disclosure is permitted by law.

Complaints

If you believe that we, including through one of our schools, CELCs or COSHCs, have contravened the Australian Privacy Principles and wish to complain, please contact the school, CELC or COSHC in the first instance if you are a Student or a Parent. Otherwise contact:

Privacy Officer T: 9840 5600
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta
Locked Bag 4, North Parramatta NSW 1750

We may ask you to fill out our Complaint Form or otherwise put your complaint in writing.

We will investigate your complaint and will notify you of our decision in relation to your complaint as soon as is practicable after it has been made.

Complaint handlers will keep written records of the complaint resolution process and outcomes. Complaint records will be filed and stored appropriately.

The complainant may request a review of the process. The review will be undertaken by a person nominated by the Executive Director of Schools.

You may also submit your complaint to the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner.

