

ENROLMENT CRITERIA POLICY Objective 2

Rationale:

Parents seeking to enrol children at Elim Christian College will have their applications considered for acceptance in accordance with the school's enrolment preference as part of the agreement with the Ministry of Education, which states:

"A preference of enrolment at the School under Section 29(1) of the Act shall be given to those pupils whose parents (guardians) have established a particular connection with the school through membership of the Elim Church or a general connection through affiliation with a Christian Church with a similar Biblical basis of faith."

Elim Christian Centre regularly receives more applications for enrolment than there are places at the school. To ensure a fair and transparent process for selection of students Elim Christian College has adopted an enrolment scheme which has been approved by the Ministry of Education.

The maximum roll of **1770** is stated in the school's Integration Agreement with the Ministry of Education. The number of places available for non-preference students is governed by the maximum number allowed under the school's Integration Agreement.

In order to comply with the school's maximum roll, enrolments will be considered separately for each year level according to the number of places available at each year level and will be processed in the following order for each of the Priorities 1-6:

- A. Current students or siblings of current students at any of the Elim Christian Centre schools' network
- B. Siblings of former students at any of the Elim Christian Centre schools in Auckland
- C. Children of an employee or Board member of Elim Christian Centre or Elim Christian College
- D. Children of past students at any of the Elim Christian Centre schools in Auckland
- E. All other students

Priority of Enrolment for Preference Students

- Priority 1: Preference applications whose parent/caregiver is **actively involved** at Elim Christian Centre and living in the zone of Elim Christian College
- Priority 2: Preference applications whose parent/caregiver is **actively involved** at Elim Christian Centre and living outside the zone of Elim Christian College
- Priority 3: Preference applications whose parent/caregiver is actively involved at a like-minded Christian church and/or have established a particular or general connection with the school's special character and living in the zone of Elim Christian College
- Priority 4: Preference applications attending and actively involved a like-minded Christian church and/or have established a particular or general connection with the school's special character and living outside the zone of Elim Christian College

- Priority 5 Non-preference applicants living in the zone of Elim Christian College
- Priority 6 Non-preference applicants outside the zone of Elim Christian College

If there are more applicants than places available in any priority group, acceptance will be determined by the date of the application, which must include all relevant supporting documentation, is received and acknowledged by the school.

The close off date for guaranteed processing of applications for the following year's intake, is the 31st of July.

The interview process commences in mid-August for New Entrant, Year 7, Year 9 and Year 11 applications, for the preceding year. Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their interview within two weeks. Applications for other year levels will be invited for interviews on a space availability basis.

The Proprietor delegates to the principal the responsibility to administer this enrolment scheme.

Applicants seeking priority status based on sibling relationship will be required to provide proof of the relationship.

Applicants seeking priority status based on living in the zone will be required to provide proof of residence in the specific area.

The number of places available for non-preference students is **88** (5% of the maximum roll of 1770) and is governed by the maximum number allowable under the Integration Agreement.

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. The waiting list will remain valid for the current year following notification of an unsuccessful application. Applicants on the waiting list may be offered places during the year if places become available. If applicants wish to remain on the waiting list after the current year, they will need to inform the school in writing.

Zone Description based on Auckland Council wards:

- Mt Albert campus: Albert-Eden-Puketāpapa Ward
- Botany and Golflands campus: Howick ward (Howick, Pakuranga and Botany)

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Botany • Botany Downs • Bucklands Beach • Burswood • Cockle Bay • Dannemora • East Tāmaki • East Tāmaki Heights • Eastern Beach • Farm Cove • Flat Bush • Golflands • Greenmount • Half Moon Bay • Highbrook • Highland Park • Howick • Huntington Park • Mellons Bay • Mission Heights • Northpark • Pakuranga • Pakuranga Heights • Shamrock Park • Shelly Park • Somerville • Sunnyhills
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Date: 10 August 2023

Manukau ward (Otara and Papatoetoe)

Clover Park · Manukau · Middlemore · Ōtara · Papatoetoe

Otara · Papatoetoe

All enrolments are at the discretion of the Principal and are subject to ratification by the Board of Elim Christian College.

Ratified by the Board: 9 August 2023

Signed on behalf of the Board:

Dr Lehan Stemmet Presiding Member

Date for Review: August 2024