



MOUNT VIEW HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ENROLMENT



PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOLS



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SYNOPSIS

This document supports Mount View High School's implementation of the NSW Department of Education's Enrolment of Students in NSW Government Schools Policy (July 2019) and should be read in conjunction with the [General Enrolment Procedures](#).

Managing enrolments in schools

A student is entitled to enrol at the local school that the student is eligible to attend if their home is within that school's local intake area. Parents may apply to enrol their child in the school of their choice.

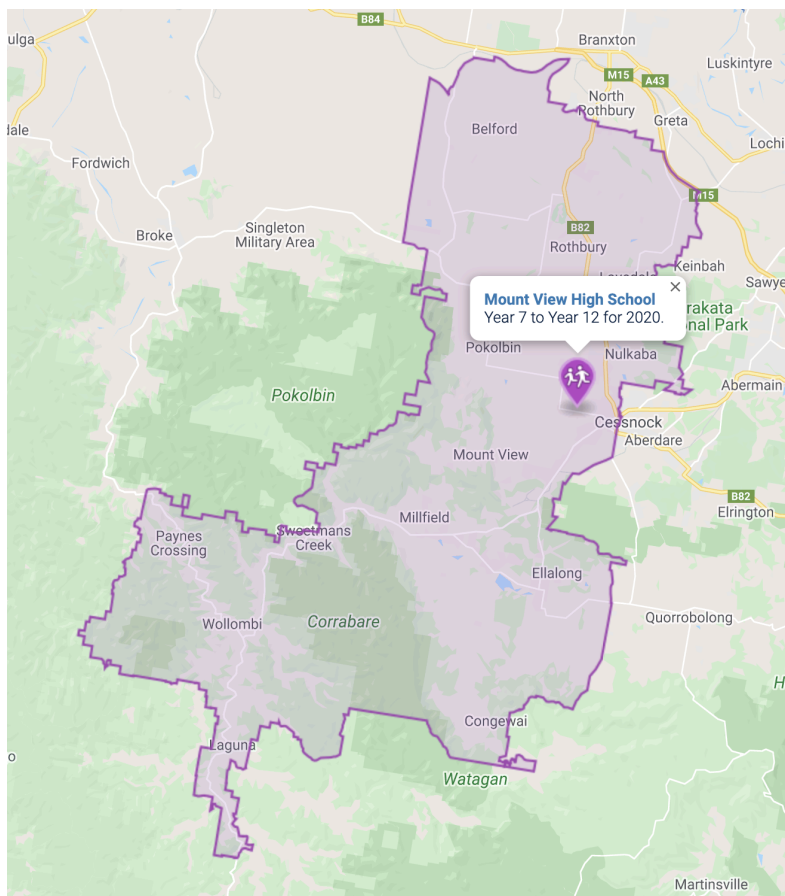
Acceptance is subject to the child being eligible to attend and the school can accommodate the child.

(General Enrolment Procedures: 9)

Parents may enrol a child if they turn 5 years of age on or before 31 July in that year. Students identified as gifted and talented, who are aged 4 years or older at 31 January of the year of enrolment may only be enrolled in accordance with the Gifted and Talented policy. (General Enrolment Procedures: 2)

Local Enrolment

To determine if a student's home is within a school's local intake area please use the School Finder App by clicking on the button below.



RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS CHECK

The department introduced the 100-point residential address check for consistency when establishing a child's entitlement to enrol at their local school, when the school is at or nearing capacity.

The prescribed residential address check is only required to be used by schools with a designated intake area that are also:

- near, at or over their enrolment buffer
- at or over their enrolment cap.

The prescribed 100-point residential address check replaces any locally set checklist used to confirm that a student lives within the school’s designated intake area.

In exceptional circumstances, the principal may waive the use of the 100-point residential address check subject to approval by the Director, Educational Leadership.

The prescribed 100-point residential address check is not required:

- at schools that are below their cap and unlikely to exceed their enrolment buffer
- for non-local enrolment applications at schools with remaining capacity to consider non-local enrolments.

| Document showing the full name of the child's parent | Points |
|---|---------------|
| 1. Only one of (i.e. no additional points for additional documents) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1. Council rates notice 1.2. Lease agreement through a registered real estate agent for a period of at least 6 months or rental board bond receipt 1.3. Exchanged contract of sale with settlement to occur within the applicable school year | 40 |
| 2. Any of the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1. Private rental agreement for a period of at least 6 months 2.2. Centrelink payment statement showing home address 2.3. Electoral roll statement | 20 each |
| 3. Any of the following documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.1. Electricity or gas bill showing the service address* 3.2. Water bill showing the service address* 3.3. Telephone or internet bill showing the service address* 3.4. Drivers licence or government issued ID showing home address* 3.5. Home building or home contents insurance showing the service address 3.6. Motor vehicle registration or compulsory third party insurance policy showing home address 3.7. Statutory declaration stating the child’s residential address, how long they have lived there, and any supporting information or documentation of this. | 15 each |

* up to three months old

All staff in schools will abide by the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998. School staff will exercise due diligence in the collection, use and storage of any documents provided by our clients. This includes:

- discerning if copies of documents containing personal information that needs to be collected
- using information collected for administering enrolment applications only
- storing the information securely
- complying with records retention and disposal requirements (i.e. items 3.0.4 and 3.0.5 of the Functional Retention and Disposal Authority FA387).

NB: Where a parent is able to give good reasons why they are unable to present documents, or in exceptional circumstances, principals may waive or vary the 100-point residential address check NSW Department of Education | PD/2002/0006/01/v1.0.0 10 requirements when assessing a child's entitlement to enrol at the school. If this is to occur, Principals are required to seek the approval of the Director, Educational Leadership.

ENROLMENT CAP

The Enrolment Cap for a school is established centrally based on permanent accommodation.

The enrolment cap for Mount View High School is 940. Departmental records reviewed in Term 1 2024, indicate that Mount View High School continues to have enrolment figures that exceed our enrolment cap.

(General Enrolment Procedures: 9.1)

Local Enrolment Buffer

Within the enrolment cap, several enrolment places (the buffer) must be set aside for the enrolment of local students arriving throughout the year. The size of the buffer will differ in each school based on historical data, enrolment fluctuations and on the number of families moving into or out of the area. The size of the local enrolment buffer is set locally by the principal and approved by the Director, Educational Leadership.

It is reviewed annually and set in time for assessing applications for the following year's enrolment intake. Places in the local enrolment buffer are not to be offered to non-local students. (General Enrolment Procedures: 9.2)

The Enrolment Buffer for Mount View High School is the equivalent of 2 student positions per class across a year group. The maximum buffer shall not exceed 20 students in a year group.

Non-local Enrolment

Non-local enrolment applications are only considered by schools that can accommodate the child below the set local enrolment buffer level. (General Enrolment Procedures: 9.4)

Except for enrolments at the commencement of the school year, schools that have not reached their local enrolment buffer level should only accommodate non-local enrolments into classes with available places. (General Enrolment Procedures: 9.4)

Non-local enrolment applications include the [Application to enrol in a NSW Government school](#) and a non-local enrolment application form. The non-local enrolment application form is developed by the school and requires the applicant to address the selection criteria and provide supporting documentation.

(General Enrolment Procedures: 9.4.1)



CRITERIA

The criteria, listed below, for the enrolment of non-local students has been developed by the Principal, Mr Shane Hookway, after consultation with the school community. (General Enrolment Procedures: 9.4.2)

1. Siblings already enrolled at the school
2. Proximity and access to the school
3. Medical reasons
4. Safety and supervision of the student before and after school
5. Availability of subjects or combinations of subjects
6. Compassionate circumstances

Criteria that will NOT be considered includes student ability, performance, or achievement.

Enrolment Panel

When demand for non-local enrolment exceeds the number of places available below the local enrolment buffer the school will establish an Enrolment Panel to consider all applications against the above criteria. (General Enrolment Procedures: 9.4)

| No | Panel Member |
|----|---|
| 1 | School Executive - Chairperson |
| 2 | Staff member nominated by the principal |
| 3 | School community member nominated by the school's parent organisation |

Waiting lists

A waiting list may be created for non-local students who are not offered enrolment. Any waiting list created will remain valid during the current intake period only. The waiting list is determined by the enrolment panel. Parents are advised in writing if their child is to be placed on a waiting list and his or her position on it. The length of the waiting list should reflect realistic expectations of potential vacancies. (General Enrolment Procedures: 9.4.4)

Enrolment Time Frame

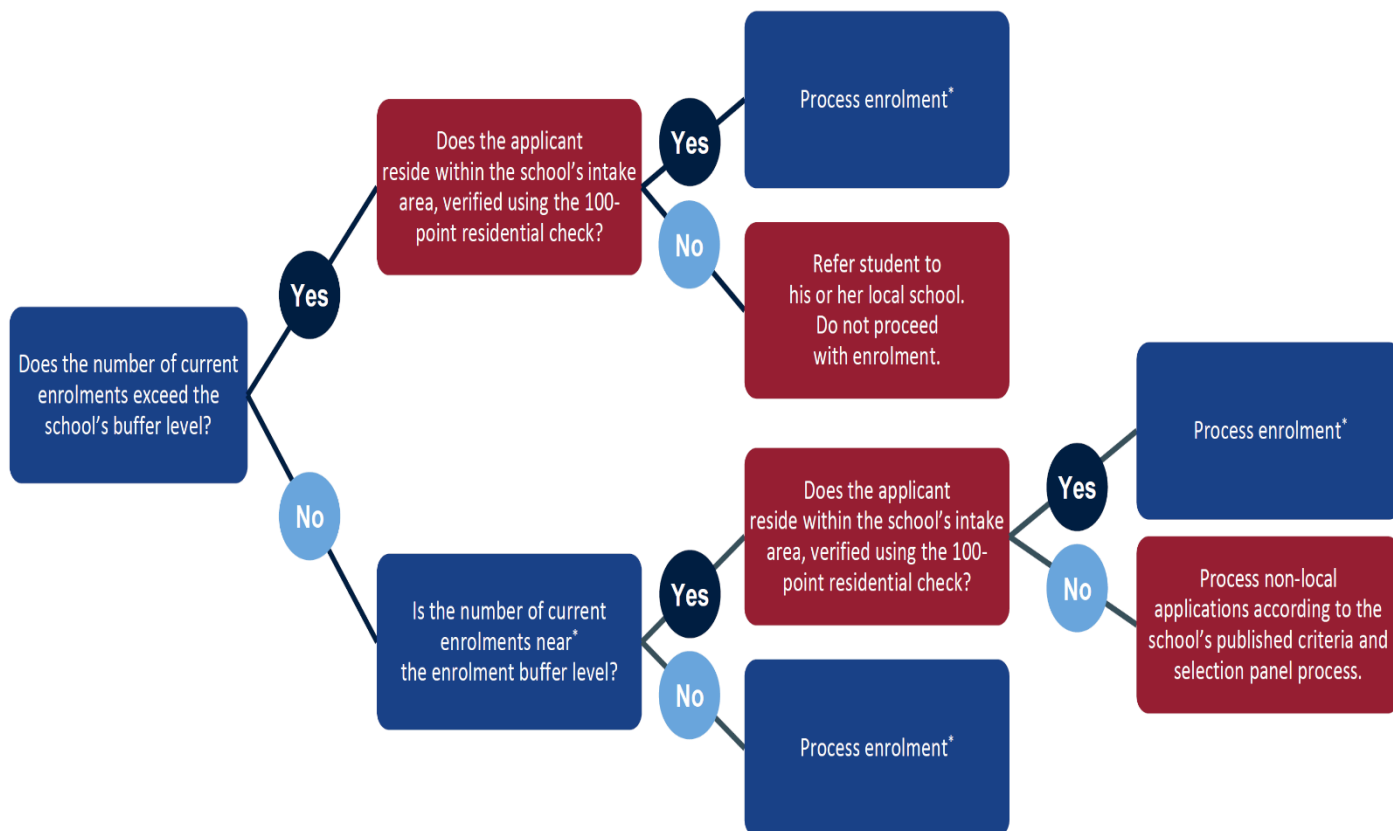
It is anticipated that enrolment of students should not exceed 10 days from receipt of completed [Application to Enrol in a NSW Government School](#). Where circumstances indicate that this timeframe may not be met Principals are required to consult their Director, Educational Leadership.

APPEALS

Unsuccessful non-local applicants may appeal against the decision of the enrolment panel. The appeal is made in writing to the Principal and sets out the grounds of the appeal. If necessary, the Principal should provide or arrange assistance, such as an interpreter, to enable the appeal to be set out in writing. The purpose of the appeal is to determine whether the stated criteria have been applied equitably. If the Principal is not on the enrolment panel, the Principal will make a determination following a consideration

of the appeal. Otherwise, the appeal may be determined by the Director, Educational Leadership. (General Enrolment Procedures: 9.4.5)

ENROLMENT APPLICATION DECISION TREE



*For more information, visit: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-management-schools/media/documents/Decision-tree-Revised-enrolment-policy-2019.pdf>

Document Link

[DoE Enrolment Policy](#)

[DoE General Enrolment Procedures](#)