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Wollongbar Public School Enrolment Procedures

Wollongbar Public School is part of the NSW government school system and exists to provide high quality education to all school-age children. Current accommodation necessitates 13 classes, with a 10% buffer in each year level to accommodate local enrolments.

All children whose home is situated in the intake area designated for Wollongbar Public School are entitled to enrolment here. We seek to ensure that every eligible child living in the local area has a place at our school.

Children must turn 5 before 31 July to be eligible to enrol in a primary school.

A child is not enrolled until he or she is placed in the Enrolment Registration System (ERN). The acceptance of an enrolment form is not a guarantee of enrolment.

In order to ensure enrolling students' needs are established and can be met prior to enrolment, parents and carers are required to:

- Provide proof of residency 100 points of identification (see Appendix 1)
- attend a meeting with the Principal
- provide information about prior schooling history
- provide all professional assessments and reports and
- give approval to seek information from previous schools.

Within this context the following guidelines for enrolment have been established:

- Children living within the local boundary area will be enrolled in accordance with the policy of the Department of Education. (Appendix 1 Enrolment Application Checklist)
- 2. The **boundary** of the local area is determined by the Department of Education and shown on the attached map. (Appendix 2 Application for Out-of-Area Enrolment)
- 3. Applications for **Out-of-Area enrolment** will be considered when local enrolments have been taken and the open ceiling of the school has not been reached. (Appendix 2 Application for Out-of-Area Enrolment)
- 4. Criteria for selecting Out-of-Area applicants will be made in the following order:
 - Sibling/s already enrolled at the school.
 - Safety and supervision of the student before and after school.
 - Proximity and access to the school.
 - Compassionate Circumstances.
 - Special interests and abilities that could be met at Wollongbar PS.
 - Size, structure and organisation of the school.



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Criteria other than the above will be considered only in exceptional circumstances.

Where not all Out-of-Area applicants can be accommodated, priority will be given according to:

- the date the enrolment application form was received by the school
- availability in that year level, according to the buffer zone

Special consideration outside of these guidelines must be put in writing at the time of the application form is presented to the school.

The enrolment of students transferring from nearby school will only be accepted after discussion and agreement between the principals of both schools that the transfer is in the best interest of the student.

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Appendix 1 Enrolment Application Checklist

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Thank you for applying to enrol your child at Wollongbar Public School. Please provide these **original** documents **before** your appointment:

Proof of Residency – 100 points of identification

- All documents MUST be in the name of the enrolling parent/carer.
- At least ONE Category A document is required
- A copy of the original documents is accepted (documents printed off the internet are not acceptable)
- All documents must be current, and addressed to the property
- Personal references are not considered

100 Points of Identification Documentation				
Category A - 40 points		☐ Council Rates Notice ☐ Residential Lease Agreement (Rental Bond Documentation)		
Only ONE of (no				
additional points for additional documents)	ntional points for			
dadineral decamency		Centrelink Documents		
Category C – 20 points		Electoral Roll Statement		
		Private Rental Agreement (for a period of at least 6 months)		
		Drivers Licence or	<u> </u>	Utility Accounts
		Government issued ID		Electricity
		Motor Vehicle/Marine		Gas
Category B - 15 points		Vessel/Trailer Documents		Water
		(Registration/Insurance)		Statutory Declaration (stating the child's
		Mobile Phone Account		residential address, how long they have lived
		Telephone/Internet Bill		there and supporting documentation of this.)
		House Insurance		
		Documents		
Birth Certificate, Passport or identity documents – a legal requirement before enrolment				
Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR) OR Immunisation History Statement				
(You can obtain a free copy by calling 1800 653 809 or www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/online)				
<u>In addition:</u> If your child has health, disability or other support needs you will need to provide:				
Copies of their Asthma Action Plan or Anaphylaxis Action Plan from the Doctor				
Copies of medical/healthcare or emergency action plans				
Evidence of any disability or other support needs including any learning and support plans				
Copies of any family law or other relevant court orders				
Please feel free to contact our Office on 6628 1302 between 8.30am-3.15pm if you require assistance.				
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Appendix 2 - Application for Out-of-Area Enrolment

Parents and carers of students not living within the local enrolment zone for Wollongbar Public School may apply for enrolment of their child by completing the following application and forwarding to the Principal.

Criteria for Out-of-Area Applications

The following criteria will be considered for Out-of-Area enrolment at Wollongbar PS:

- Sibling/s already enrolled at the school
- Safety and supervision of the student before and after school.
- Proximity and access to the school.
- Compassionate Circumstances
- Special interests and abilities that could be met at Wollongbar PS
- Size, structure and organisation of the school
- Continuity of schooling where a family has left Wollongbar PS and later returns to the district but not within the enrolment zone.

Criteria other than the above will be considered only in exceptional circumstances. A. Student Information Family Name: Given Name: Date of Birth: Address: Postcode: Phone: Work: Mobile: Name of Parent/Caregiver: B. Reason/s for requesting Out-of-Area Enrolment at Wollongbar PS: Signed: (Parent/Caregiver) Date: **School Use Only** Date received: Place Available: Parent Advised on:



Reference: NSW Department of Education: Staff Portal Application: School Intake Zone Enquiry