



HURON-PERTH CATHOLIC

District School Board

Admission of Students

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BELIEF STATEMENT:

The Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board provides a high quality Catholic education to the community of Huron-Perth. The ethos of our Catholic schools are centred on principles of faith, hope and love. Our admissions policy adheres to all pertinent statutes and regulations and extends the invitation for admission to our schools to children of parents who have embraced, and successfully completed, a Catholic education (including the religious education and formation programs of our secondary schools).

POLICY STATEMENT:

It is the policy of the Board to admit a student to their home school where the student is a resident pupil of the Board and their parent/guardian is a Catholic Family as defined by this Policy. Other students may request admission to a school operated by the Board in accordance with this Policy.

The evaluation of eligibility for admissions of pupils, who are either out of boundary, non-residents, non-Catholic families or international students within the meaning of this Policy, is based upon parent/guardian and pupil support for the mission, vision and values of the Board, program availability, class size constraints and the desire for a faith-based and distinctly Catholic education. Requests for admission are reviewed and evaluated in accordance with this Policy and are not subject to appeal.

Eligibility for transportation is determined in accordance with the Board's Policies, as amended.

Administrative Procedure 2.1.15 outlines the detailed operational processes for admitting pupils to elementary and secondary schools.

DEFINITIONS:

Guardian: A person with legal custody of the pupil, or pupils aged 16–17 who have withdrawn from parental control, or pupils aged 18+.

Pupil (Elementary): A person four years old on or before December 31st in the year of admission.

Pupil (Secondary): A person who has successfully completed elementary school and is eligible for secondary school.

Catholic & Roman Catholic: A person baptized Roman Catholic or in a faith in union with the See of Rome.

Home School: The school (elementary or secondary) for which the pupil is qualified to be a resident pupil within the meaning of the *Education Act*, as amended. The home school is used to define the pupil's school zone.

Catholic Family: A family where a parent/guardian (or pupil) is baptized Catholic/Roman Catholic, or where the parent/guardian is a Catholic secondary school graduate with at least four secondary religious education courses.

Non-Catholic Family: A parent/guardian who is not baptized Roman Catholic and is not a graduate of a Catholic secondary school with four religious education courses.

Resident / Non-Resident Pupil: A person meeting (or failing to meet) resident pupil qualifications under the *Education Act*.

In-Boundary / Out-of-Boundary Pupil: A pupil whose parent/guardian resides inside (or outside) the defined school zone.

Permanent Resident: A person with permanent resident status conferred by Canada who is not a Canadian citizen.

Adult Student: A pupil aged 16–17 who has withdrawn from parental control, or a pupil aged 18+.

REFERENCES:

- Education Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.2, subsection 33(3) (Right of Resident Pupils to Attend Elementary School)
- Education Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.2, subsections 49(6) & 49(7) (Secondary School Attendance Rights & Non-Resident Fees)
- Ontario Regulation 490/20 (School Board Calculation of Pupils)
- Policy/Program Memorandum No. 136 (PPM 136)-Clarification of Provisions Respecting Non-Resident Fees and Student Enrolment Eligibility

RESOURCES, APPENDICES AND FORMS:

- ~~Appendix A – Request for Catholic Elementary School Admission (Non-Resident Pupil or Out-of-Boundary)~~
- ~~Appendix B – Request for Non-Catholic Elementary School Admission (Resident Pupil/ In-Boundary)~~
- ~~Appendix C – Request for Non-Catholic Elementary School Admission (Non-Resident Pupil or Out-of-Boundary)~~
- ~~Appendix D – Request for Secondary School Admission Non-Resident or Out-of-Boundary Pupil(s)~~

N/A

Administrative Procedure 2.1.15 (Student Admissions) for the applicable appendices.