SCHOOL ENROLMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN (SEMP)

Purpose

The SEMP supports the Parent/carer guide to enrolment/transfer for ACT public schools and provides additional enrolment/transfer clarity for schools with specialised programs/pathways that have specific entry requirements.

Priority Enrolment Area

A school’s Priority Enrolment Area (PEA) is the geographical area from which the school accepts its core intake of students. The PEA map defines the area for Canberra College which is available at http://www.det.act.gov.au/school_education/enrolling_in_an_act_public_school/priority_placement_areas/priority-placement-areas-ppas-colleges-2014.

PEA suburbs for Canberra College include Chapman, Chifley, Coombs, Curtin, Duffy, Farrer, Fisher, Garran, Holder, Hughes, Kambah (Joint PEA with Lake Tuggeranong College), Isaacs, Lyons, Mawson, Mt Stromlo, O’Malley, Pearce, Phillip, Rivett, Stirling, Torrens, Uriarra, Waramanga, Weston, Wright, North Weston.

School capacity

Canberra College currently has capacity for 900 students. An additional 150 places are available in the specialist young mothers program, CCCares. Enrolment of students from outside the PEA are carefully managed to ensure that all students who reside in the PEA are accommodated.

School Enrolment Limit

The school has to allow spaces for those students who move into the PEA throughout the year. Consequently the school is required to set a first round limit to allow for those additional students.

The initial year of entry, Year 11 2015, has a capacity of 385 mainstream and 15 special needs placements. The enrolment limit for the first round of enrolments is a total of 360.

Criteria for Enrolment/Transfer

The school will make a decision on an enrolment offer based upon the information presented against the criteria located in http://www.det.act.gov.au/school_education/enrolling_in_an_act_public_school/parent-guide
How enrolment/transfer applications are decided

Principals are responsible for making offers of enrolment. When considering an application for student enrolment/transfer, principals make offers of enrolment according to the enrolment criteria in the following order:

1. priority applications
2. enrolment/transfer considerations
3. other ACT residents
4. NSW residents.

Priority applications

- Children who live in the school’s Priority Enrolment Area (PEA) and/or ACT resident siblings of students concurrently enrolled at the school
- Children who live in a Shared Enrolment Zone
- Student well-being: where special enrolment/transfer consideration is requested, supporting documentation from a registered psychologist or medical specialist may be required.

Enrolment/transfer considerations - Curriculum availability

Enrolment consideration are applied for specialised programs/pathways or specific subject choices.

- Specialty programs at Canberra College include the International Baccalaureate, Big Picture and CCares. Entry into these programs requires an interview process. It highly recommended that potential enrolments speak with the relevant coordinators prior to applying.
- Vocational pathways, curriculum or training packages such as the Pre Med Program.

Exceptions to the criteria

Student accessing Disability Education Programs and Units (Futures Program)

- Access based on Disability Education application process, parent/carers should contact Disability Education on 6205 6925.

The Inclusion Support Program

- If your child is applying for the Inclusion Support Program (ISP), you should complete the normal enrolment procedures. If the student meets eligibility, then ISP will be given at the college where your child’s enrolment is accepted.