

GPCC ENROLMENT INFORMATION Frequently Asked Questions v1.0

Below are answers to some of the most common enquiries we receive. If you can't find what you're looking for or need further information, please contact our Registrar on 02 4363 1266.

ENROLMENT PROCESS

What is the enrolment process?

Apply to Enrol

Step 1: Apply to enrol your child by completing the online application form. A \$50 fee is payable to complete your application. It is never too early to apply to enrol your child as part of our wait pool.

Interview

Step 2: Interview with the Head of School. Invitations to interview are offered according to our preference system listed in our Enrolment Policy, which is available on our website. Interview for Kindergarten and Year 7 are held in Term 2 in the year prior to the desired year of commencement. Students in the Wait Pool are invited to an interview if, and when, a position becomes available.

Letter of Offer

Step 3: Letter of Offer sent. An offer for a position at GPCC may be made, provided GPCC is satisfied that your child fulfills the College's considerations as per our Enrolment Policy. Your place is confirmed once the online acceptance form has been signed and submitted, and the Enrolment Fee payment has been received.

WHEN TO APPLY

When do I need to apply?

We have growing wait pools across many year levels, so it is never too early to apply. To assist with our enrolment planning, we recommend submitting an application to enrol at least two years prior to your child's desired start year.

WAIT POOLS

What happens to my application if there is no vacancy in the desired grade?

Where there are no positions available in a particular grade, your application will be added to the wait pool. If a position becomes available, parents will be notified, and an enrolment interview will be offered. Applications remain on file and valid, unless they are withdrawn by request.

ENROLMENT COST

What is the cost to apply to enrol my child?

A non-refundable application fee of \$50 applies for each child you wish to apply to enrol. A non-refundable enrolment fee of \$250 per child is payable within two weeks of an enrolment being offered, capped at \$500 when enrolling multiple children at the same time.

CHANGING SCHOOLS

I'd like my child to change schools. Is it possible to enrol now?

Our key entry year levels are Kindergarten and Year 7. If you are seeking enrolment for a different grade, then please contact our Registrar to discuss your needs.

Applications for immediate commencement will be reviewed and actioned as soon as possible, provided there is a vacancy in the grade required.

ENTRANCE TESTING

Does my child have to sit an entrance test?

GPCC is not a selective school so your child will not be asked to sit an entrance test prior to being offered a place. Literacy and numeracy skills are assessed during the interview and orientation process to assist with class placement and planning.

SIBLINGS

I already have a child at the school, will siblings automatically have a place?

If you already have a child attending GPCC then siblings are given priority in the enrolment process. To be considered for this type of preferential enrolment, we recommend submitting an application for siblings at least two years prior to the intended start year.

ORIENTATION

Will my child be able to attend an orientation day prior to attending GPCC?

To ensure a smooth transition for children starting school, GPCC has an extensive orientation program allowing children to become familiar with their new learning environment prior to commencing. Orientation programs are tailored to the needs of both Primary and Secondary students.

KINDERGARTEN AGE

What age should my child be to enrol in Kindergarten?

Applicants for Kindergarten should turn 5 years of age by April 30 of the year of enrolment.

Kindergarten interviews are held in April and May the year prior to enrolment. If you are unsure about your child's year of entry into Kindergarten, please contact our Registrar.

SECONDARY TRANSITION

Do I need to re-apply when my child is moving from Year 6 to Year 7 at GPCC?

If your child is enrolled in Year 6 at GPCC, you are not required to reapply for Secondary school. We anticipate our Year 6 students will continue their Secondary schooling at the College.

If you have any questions relating to the enrolment process at GPCC, please do not hesitate to contact our Registrar on 02 4363 1266 or at <u>registrar@gpcc.nsw.edu.au</u>.