## Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

SECTION: 300 - STUDENTS CODE: AP 301

PROCEDURE: ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

## **BACKGROUND**

Catholic school divisions exist to provide a distinctive Catholic faith-based education. The faith and value dimensions of the Catholic faith are expected to permeate all aspects of instruction and school activities. Schools are expected to exhibit an atmosphere of prayer and be centres of gospel virtues.

Catholicism supports the belief that all parents are their child's primary educators. Parents not of the Catholic faith who desire a Catholic education for their children must respect the teachings of the Catholic Church and agree to abide by the policies and procedures of the division relating to religious instruction, and the permeation of faith within all aspects of the student's school experience. However, Catholic school divisions reserve the right to deny admission to a non-Catholic student who will not abide by the policies of the Board relating to religious instruction, religious activities and other such programs specific to our schools.

## **PROCEDURES**

- 1. Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools provides a Catholic faith-based education within the context of the Board's vision, mission and beliefs. In alignment with our belief that parents are the primary educators of their children, both Catholic and non-Catholic students shall be admitted as follows:
  - 1.1 Catholic children whose parents or guardians reside in the division boundaries are permitted to register providing they meet the age and academic requirements for admittance.
  - 1.2 Children who are not of the Catholic faith whose parents or guardians reside in the division boundaries are permitted to register providing:
    - 1.2.1 the primary motivation for registration is to receive a Catholic education,
    - 1.2.2 they meet the age and academic requirements for admittance,

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- 1.2.3 their parents or guardians attend a meeting with a school administrator to review and complete the "Non-Catholic Student Declaration of Intention" form (AP 301.1) indicating their desire for their children to participate in all elements of the religious education programs and the religious celebrations of the school. The "Non-Catholic Student Declaration of Intention" form is to be filed in the Student Cumulative folder.
- 1.2.4 In the meeting, the school administrator will ensure that the parents or guardians receive information with respect to the nature, characteristics and expectations of a Catholic school, as well as the associated election and tax information.
- 2. All children who enrol or register for the first time in the Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools shall be required to present at the time of registration one of the following documents:
  - 2.1 Certificate of birth
  - 2.2 Baptismal certificate
  - 2.3 Saskatchewan Health Services Card or equivalent

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 110, 142, 145, 171, 173, 175 Education Act

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