



Statement of Understanding

PART A

St Joseph's Catholic College is a Diocesan Secondary School for girls founded by the Sisters of St Joseph in the tradition of Mary MacKillop. Families seeking enrolment of their daughters to the college should be fully supportive of the mission and ethos of this Catholic school. Your first step in seeking admission to the college is to explain your reasons for enrolment and how you will support the mission of the college.

Signature: _____
Father/Guardian

Signature: _____
Mother/Guardian

Date: _____

Date: _____

In the space provided, the student is to explain her reason for applying to St Joseph's.

Signature: _____
Student

Date: _____



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PART B

St Joseph's Catholic College is a Catholic school in which education in faith has a privileged place along with the pursuit of personal excellence in academic and general education. It is a school under the care of the Diocese of Broken Bay.

In accepting an offer of enrolment at St Joseph's Catholic College parents and their daughters undertake to participate actively in the life of the college, to work together with the teachers and to build a community in which the best possible education is offered.

To this end I / we agree with the following conditions of enrolment and to support their maintenance whilst ever my / our daughter is enrolled at the college:

1. All students take part in all aspects of the college's Religious Education programme. This programme includes Religious Education lessons and completion of assessment tasks, the celebration of Mass and liturgies, prayer, retreats, involvement in community service and camps. Ideally the mission of the college in this regard is based upon home life and supported by it.
2. All students assume responsibility with the help of their teachers, for their own work in class, bookwork, homework, for the prompt submission of all essays, projects, assignments, tasks and study.
3. Politeness, respect and compassion for others are an essential part of college life.
4. While travelling to and from the college and during college endorsed activities, students are to be courteous, cooperative and well behaved.
5. Whilst at school and whilst engaged in other activities related to school life, such as those described in (1), students abide by all school and Diocesan policies.
6. Whilst at the college, all students are expected to maintain a high standard of self-discipline and to conduct themselves in a well behaved manner, particularly in accordance with the standards contained in the college planner. The college reserves the right to ensure that these high standards are maintained and expect parents to support these justifiable expectations.
7. Punctuality and regular attendance at the college at all lessons through each college term are mandatory. This also includes whole college events such as swimming and athletic carnivals, feast days and presentation days.
8. Co-curricular activities beyond the ordinary hours of school are an important part of the college's programme. Students are enrolled on the understanding that they join in retreats, camps, excursions and similar activities.
9. Full college uniform as prescribed in the college planner is to be worn at all times. Full sport/PDHPE and other specialist uniforms are to be worn where appropriate.
10. The college is a part of the system of Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Broken Bay where expenses are shared by all parents, and so all scheduled fees and charges are to be paid promptly by no later than the due date. In difficult circumstances parents should consult confidentially with the Principal on the payment of college fees prior to their due date.
11. All parents actively support the college through involvement in activities such as parent/teacher interviews, social justice initiatives, special community celebrations, sport, creative and performing arts events etc.

Signature: _____

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Date: _____

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