



ENROLMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN POLICY

SCHOOL CONTEXT

Little River Primary School is located within the Wyndham network of the South Western Region of DET. At Little River Primary School affirm the values of our society which promote the dignity of the individual, foster relationships based on integrity, and create a genuine concern for our planet and its people.

Values specific to Little River Primary School are:

1. **Respect** - We value ourselves and others, use appropriate social manners and look after our own and others' property and the school environment.
2. **Responsibility** - We accept that we have the control over our actions and words.
3. **Understanding and Inclusion** - We understand that all people are different. These differences are not right or wrong. If we work together as a team of people with all our differences and varied skills then we are a better and stronger community.
4. **High Expectations** - We try our best in all that we say and do.

These values support our students to become positive citizens within their community.

POLICY FRAMEWORK

The 2006 Education and Training Reform Act (ETRA) underpins the Department of Education and Training (DET) enrolment policy which can be found at:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/Pages/azindexe.aspx>

The policy states that all eligible children and young people have the right to be admitted to their designated neighbourhood government school.

2020 SCHOOL ZONE

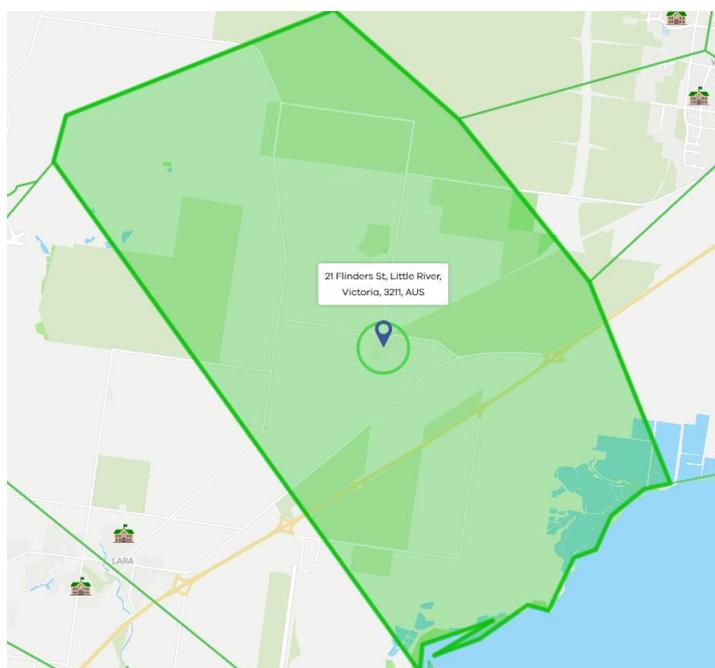
The Little River Primary School zone has been approved by the Minister for Education and ensures consistency with DET policy and the ETRA legislation regarding closest school.

A student's designated neighbourhood school is generally the school that is nearest the student's permanent address as determined by the school zone. The website <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au> provides guidance on which school zone a student's permanent residence is located within.

School boundaries often move to accommodate demographic changes and the establishment of new neighbouring schools. As is the case with any new school the enrolment boundaries for it and neighbouring schools must be adjusted to reflect the closest school.

Fig 1 – 2020 School zone for Little River Primary School

Access your school zone at
www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au



PRIORITY ORDER OF PLACEMENT

The potential future demand for enrolment places from within the local community indicates that Little River Primary School must manage enrolments carefully and in accordance with the Priority Placement Order in the Enrolment Policy. A student's permanent place of address determines eligibility for enrolment at Little River Primary School.

Where there are insufficient places at a school for all students who seek entry, students are enrolled according to the Placement Policy's priority order of placement, which has five criteria.

In circumstances when a school may not be able to accept all applications due to existing or future capacity concerns, schools must manage enrolment applications in accordance with the following priority order of placement:

1. **Students for whom the school is the designated neighbourhood school.**
2. **Students with a sibling at the same permanent address who are attending the school at the same time.**
3. Where the Regional Director has restricted the enrolment, students who reside nearest the school.
4. Students seeking enrolment on specific curriculum grounds.
5. All other students in order of closeness of their home to the school

The future capacity needs at Little River Primary School mean that enrolments will be confined to the first two criteria.

In exceptional circumstances, a student may be enrolled in a school based on compassionate grounds. **This is an overarching consideration and does not form part of the priority order of placement.** Schools are permitted to assess and make a determination for exceptional circumstances on a case-by-case basis.

Schools must ensure that all applicants eligible under a criterion have been offered a place before moving to consideration of the next. All students for whom the school is the designated neighbourhood school are guaranteed enrolment.

If you have any questions regarding the Little River Primary School Enrolment Management Plan, please contact the school.

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REVIEW CYCLE AND EVALUATION

This policy was last updated on 17th August, 2020 and is scheduled for review in September, 2021.