

Application to enrol in a Queensland state school

This sheet contains information on how to complete the Application for student enrolment form (SEF-1 Version 8).

Entitlement to enrolment

Under the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld)* a state school must enrol a prospective student if they are entitled to enrolment. While not exhaustive, the following matters may affect a prospective student's entitlement to enrol in a state school:

- if the school has a School Enrolment Management Plan or an Enrolment Eligibility Plan (enrolment is subject to eligibility under the plan)
- the applicant is a prospective mature age student (the applicant can only apply for enrolment at a mature age state school and will be subject to a satisfactory criminal history check, or as a student in a program of distance education. All prospective mature age students must have a remaining allocation of state education.)
- the prospective student is not of correct age for enrolment (relates to Preparatory Year and Years 1 to 6)
- the prospective student has been excluded, or is subject to suspension from a state school at the time of the application
- the school principal reasonably believes that the prospective student presents an unacceptable risk to the safety or wellbeing of members of the school community (application is referred to the Director-General)
- the school is a state special school and the prospective student does not meet the criteria for enrolment in a special school
- the proposed enrolment requires approval as part of a flexible arrangement under s.183 of the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld)*, and the arrangement has not yet been approved
- the prospective student is not an Australian resident or citizen or the child of an Australian permanent resident or citizen (visa restrictions may apply, fees may be charged, in some cases legislation requires that the prospective student must obtain approval from the Chief Executive via Education Queensland International (EQI) to enrol)
- the school does not offer the year level that the prospective student should be enrolled in
- the prospective student has no remaining semester allocation of state education. Enrolment cannot proceed until additional semesters are applied for by the prospective student (or parent on their behalf) and granted.

Prospective student

A prospective student is a person who has applied to enrol at a state school but who has not yet been accepted for enrolment.

Parent's occupation and education

All parents across Australia, no matter which school their child attends, are asked to provide information about family background (answering this question is optional). The main purpose of collecting this information is to promote an education system which is fair for all Australian students regardless of their background.

Court Orders

Any court orders concerning the prospective student's welfare, safety or parenting arrangements should be provided to the school, and the school should also be provided with any new or updated orders.

Name on enrolment form

A prospective student should be enrolled under their legal name as per their birth certificate. There is provision to also record a preferred family and/or given name. The preferred name will be used on internal school documents such as class rolls. The legal name will appear on semester reports unless there is a specific request to use the preferred name only. This request can come from parents/carers or the student (if the student is independent/mature age).

Gender

Information about gender is supplied to the Federal Government to comply with State funding agreements. The gender category with which a person identifies may not match the sex they were assigned at birth. There is no requirement for a student's gender recorded on this form to align with the sex shown on their birth certificate or passport.

Religious Instruction

Religious instruction is a program approved and provided by a religious denomination or religious society. Other instruction relates to part of a subject area that has been covered within the curriculum and may include, but is not limited to, personal research and/or assignments, revision of class work, and wider reading. Information about religious instruction available at the school, and about other instruction, is provided by the school at the time of enrolment and on the school's website.