

**ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
SECTION C: STUDENTS**

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS	POLICY
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POLICY STATEMENT:

It is the policy of the St. Clair Catholic District School Board to admit to its schools all students who are eligible under the Acts and Regulations of the Province of Ontario and also to consider other admission requests.

POLICY GOALS:

1. This policy will outline the criteria for admission of students to both elementary and secondary students in the St. Clair Catholic District School Board.
2. All admission requirements must be met and appropriate documentation provided before the student is admitted to class.
3. Students who are not qualified to be "Resident Pupils" as defined by the *Education Act, Revised Statutes of Ontario*, may apply to attend a Catholic school.
4. A student who is admitted to a Catholic school will attend the school in the boundary area in which they reside, unless exempted as per specified procedures. The principal place of residence of the custodial parent/guardian will determine the designated home school.
5. Where situations require payment of tuition fees, the amount must be paid in full prior to the student's first day of school attendance.
6. All students of elementary and secondary schools must participate in all required instructional periods, including classes in religious education, family life education and liturgical celebrations of the school, subject to exemptions under the Education Act and *Sec. A Policy – Equity and Inclusive Education*.
7. The admission of students under this policy does not constitute a commitment of the Board to provide transportation, as entitlement for transportation is governed by the local transportation consortium.

DEFINITIONS:

Roman Catholic – For the purposes of this policy, Roman Catholic shall mean a member of the Roman Catholic Church or member of the Eastern Rite Catholic Church that is in union with the See of Rome.

Guardian – A person who has lawful custody of a child, other than the parent of the child.

Candidate – One who is already baptized in another Christian faith and who is now preparing to be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

Catechumen – One who is not baptized and is preparing for full initiation into the Catholic Church.