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Admission Policy 2021

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Rhodes High School Admission Policy

Adopted by the Governing Body
in terms of Section 5(5) of the South African Schools Act No. 84 of
1996

1. Interpretation

In this policy document, unless the context indicates otherwise:-

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| 1.1. | the Act | means the South African Schools Act No. 84 of 1996 (as amended); |
| 1.2. | Educator | means any person, excluding a person who is appointed to exclusively perform extracurricular duties, who teaches, educates or trains learners at the School who has not been appointed by the Governing Body of the School; |
| 1.3. | Feeder Zone | means the traditional area of Mowbray and Observatory; |
| 1.4. | Learner | means any person receiving education or obliged to receive education in terms of the Act; |
| 1.5. | Parent means: | |
| | 1.5.1. | the parent or guardian of a learner; |
| | 1.5.2. | the person legally entitled to custody of a learner; or |
| | 1.5.3. | a person who undertakes to fulfill the obligations of a person referred to in paragraphs 1.5.1 and 1.5.2 towards the Learner's education at the School; |
| 1.6. | the School | means Rhodes High School. |

2. Documents Required for the Admission of a Learner

- 2.1. The Parent/s must fully complete and sign an application form for the admission of a Learner in the form prescribed by the School from time to time. The application form together with the additional documents described in sub-paragraph 2.2 below shall be delivered to the school prior to 16h00 on 30 April for Grade 8 and 31 August for Grades 9 to 12, provided that in the event that the said day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the application form and additional documents described in sub-paragraph 2.2 shall be delivered prior to 16h00 on the first business day thereafter. Preference shall be given to applicants whose applications are complete and have been submitted timeously. Late and/or incomplete applications may be disregarded.
- 2.2. When a Parent applies for the admission of a Learner, the Parent must present:
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| 2.2.1. | an official birth certificate of the Learner; |
| 2.2.2. | a copy of each of the last two report cards issued by the previous school of the Learner or other equivalent documentation from the previous school; |
| 2.2.3. | an authority, duly executed by the Parent, authorising the previous school/s attended by the Learner to supply information concerning the Learner; |

- 2.2.4. the School's application form duly completed and signed;
- 2.2.5. such additional documents as may be prescribed by the School from time to time.

2.3. A Parent shall be entitled to submit, together with the application, such additional documentation that may demonstrate compliance with the admission criteria described hereinbelow.

3. **Maximum Number of Learners**

Based *inter alia* on the number of Educators and the School's facilities, the School shall not admit more than 222 Grade 8 Learners at any time.

4. **Admission Criteria**

4.1. Preference will be given to Learners who:

- 4.1.1. Demonstrate a keen degree of participation in the academic, sporting and cultural activities offered by the school/s previously attended by them;
- 4.1.2. Will benefit from the subjects, activities and facilities offered by the School;
- 4.1.3. Show academic potential;
- 4.1.4. Show potential in Mathematics and Physical Science;
- 4.1.5. Have a good disciplinary record;
- 4.1.6. Reside in the Feeder Zone;
- 4.1.7. Have brothers and / or sisters attending the school.

4.2. In the event that after the application of the criteria referred to in sub-paragraph 4.1 applicants are equal, preference will be given to Learners disadvantaged as a result of unfair discrimination in the past.

4.3. Learners will not be considered unless vacancies exist and an interview is attended by both the parent and the child.

5. **Appeal**

The Learner or Parent of Learner may appeal against the decision to refuse admission to a learner to the Member of the Executive Council in terms of Section 5(9) of the Act.