

Policy on the Educational Provision of International Students

Sancta Maria College is a Catholic Secondary School whose Trustee is CEIST. As a Catholic school we endorse the Catholic/Christian ethos. The school welcomes students of all nationalities, cultures and religions. Its current enrolment includes international pupils. We promote mutual respect and understanding of cultural, ethnic, racial, social and religious diversity and differences within an international ethos. Our school has a welcoming and inclusive ethos in accordance with our Mission Statement.

Mission Statement

Sancta Maria College is a Catholic Secondary School whose Trustee is Ceist. It is managed by a recognised Board of Management.

We are committed to the promotion of Catholic/Christian values.

We foster the holistic development of each student.

We promote a supportive partnership between staff, pupils and parents.

We further the professional development of the staff and Board of Management.

We maintain the school as a resource in the local area.

We are committed to the ideal of equality in all aspects of school life.

We value a welcoming and caring atmosphere in the school.

AIMS

- Το σεχυρε σπιριτυαλ ανδ μοραλ φουνδατιον φορ αλλ βψ χρεατινγ αν ατμοσπηερε ιν ωηιχη Χατηολιχ/Χηριστιαν παλυεσ ωιλλ βε συππορτεδ
- In our school the academic, social, moral, physical, mental and creative talents and a sense of success be valued.
- To inform, invoke and make decisions with partners.
- To bring staff and Board of Management to a high level of competence, resource and flexibility.
- To continue the place of the school as a recognised centre of activity in the area.
- To give everyone a sense of achievement and value.
- To promote a happy school.

Enrolment of International Students

- Τηε σχηοολεσ ενρολμεντ πολιχησ γοϱερνσ ενρολμεντ οφ αλλ στυδεντσ.
- Parents of international students will be afforded help in completion of enrolment documentation should they require it.
- Information on religious beliefs shall be requested on enrolment to Sancta Maria College.

Aims

- Το εναβλε εαχη στυδεντ το ρεαχη ηισ/ηερ φυλλ ποτεντιαλ.
- To develop English language proficiency through the English language programme based on the Department of Education curriculum for non-english speaking pupils.
- To integrate international students into all facets of school life to assist classroom learning, personal development and socialisation.

Principles

- Σανχτα Μαρια Χολλεγε συππορτσ τηε πρινχιπλε οφ ινχλυσιϋενεσσ.
- We respect the diversity of values, beliefs, traditions, languages and ways of life of all our students.
- All students have an equal right to education. To fulfill this right, differences will be respected and valued in Sancta Maria College.
- The school will be pro-active in challenging any forms of racism which may arise.
- Sancta Maria College is committed to the principle of integration and seeks to actively promote an environment in which cultural differences can be explored and respected.

Education of International Students

- Ιντερνατιοναλ στυδεντσ ωιλλ βε πλαχεδ ιν αππροπριατε χλασσεσ ρελατιϋε το τηειρ εδυχατιοναλ ρεθυιρεμεντσ.
- Pupils will not be required to study religion; however, they will remain in class during this time.
- During Catholic services, non-Catholic pupils will be supervised at all times.
- All students are required to adhere to the schools Code of Behaviour. Parents are expected to familiarise themselves with the rules and procedures in place. International pupils enjoy the same rights and responsibilities as all others.
- Sancta Maria College will be proactive in promoting positive home-school relations.

Provision of Supplementary English Support for International Students

- Τηε αμουντ οφ λαγγυαγε συππορτ τιμε αλλοχατεδ το ανψ στυδεντ ωιλλ δεπενδ ον ηις/ηερ χυρρεντ χομμανδ οφ τηε λαγγυαγε.
- Development of language skills will be achieved through immersion and differentiation in classrooms settings.

Measures to ensure successful Integration of International Students

- Εδυχατιον το αλλ στυδεντσ ωηιχη ισ χροσσ χυρριχυλαρ

- αὐτὸς περμεατεσ τηε ετηοσ οφ Σανχτα Μαρια Χολλεγε.
- Affirming the language and cultures of International pupils.
 - The creation of an atmosphere of inclusivity.

Success Criteria of Policy

Students who are well integrated, demonstrating self confidence and where relevant, gaining in proficiency in the English language. Positive links formed between parents and the school, and satisfaction with arrangements for non-Catholic pupils. Evidence of student progression and involvement in both academic and social situations.

Roles of Responsibility

All staff including ancillary staff.

Board of Management

- Το ενσυρε τηε πολιχψ ισ δραων υπ, δεϋελοπεδ ανδ εϋαλυατεδ φρομ τιμε το τιμε.
- To approve the policy and support its implementation.
- To receive reports on implementation.

Principal, Deputy Principal and Senior Management

- Το μονιτορ τηε ιμπλεμεντατιον οφ τηε πολιχψ.

Ρεϋιεω προχεδυρεσ

Τηισ χοδε ωασ ρεϋιεωεδ ανδ ρατιφιεδ βψ τηε Βοαρδ οφ Μαναγεμεντ ον 23/10/2017 ανδ ωιλλ βε ρεϋισεδ ιν τηε λιγητ οφ χηανγινγ χιρχυμστανχεσ, ιφ ρεθυιρεδ.

