



Pastoral Reference in Support of Pre-Enrolment Application

To the Pastor/Church Elder completing this Form

Thank you for taking the time to complete the following form for the prospective Parent/Guardian who is applying to enrol their child/ren at Faith City School.

Background Overview About Faith City School and Preferential Status for Pre-Enrolments

Faith City School provides a Christ-centred education promoting excellence and equipping students with a Christian worldview as a basis for continued learning. The school is a mission of Faith City Church and is situated on the church property at 127 Springvale Road, Whanganui. The school has a maximum roll of 150 students and currently consists of six classrooms. Faith City School is a full primary school, teaching students from Year 1-8. As the school is a Christ-centred school the school's Enrolment Policy gives preference to children of Christian parents.

Faith City School's Enrolment Policy (NAG 6) States

- 1.5 *Preferential enrolments* will be granted to the children of Christian parents, who desire to see their children educated in a biblical and God honouring way.
- 1.6 *Non preferential enrolments* will be granted to children of non-Christian parents but shall not exceed 5% of the school roll.
- 1.7 All other criteria being equal, priority will be granted to 5 year old enrolments and to transferees from other Christian schools.

Priority status for enrolment to Faith City School is as follows:

- 2.21 Preferential siblings i.e. children of Christian parents who already have children at the school.
- 2.22 Preferential new enrolments i.e. Faith City Church new enrolments have priority over preferential new enrolments if applied for at the same time – see Deed.
- 2.23 Non preferential siblings (see also clause 1.6)
- 2.24 Non preferential new enrolments.

(NB: A full copy of Faith City School's Enrolment Policy can be requested if required).

Reference Requested

In support of Preferential Enrolment Status Parents/Caregivers or Guardians are asked to supply the school with **a reference** from the Minister or an Elder of the church that they attend. By supplying a written reference to the school from a Minister or Elder it assists with confirmation that their child/ren genuinely meet the Preferential Status in the School's Guidelines.

Action Required

You have been given this reference from a prospective Parent/Caregiver or Guardian to complete as supporting evidence of their Preferential Status while Pre-Enrolling their child/children to Faith City School. It would be much appreciated if you are able to complete the form on their behalf in a timely manner to assist with their Pre-Enrolment application. Please answer the questions as honestly as you are able.

This information sheet does not need to be returned to the school with the completed reference and you are welcome to keep it for your future reference.

If you wish to further discuss the completion of the requested reference you are welcome to telephone the Principal of Faith City School, Martin Bullock, on 06 345 7737 during normal school hours. Alternatively, you may wish to email the Principal principal@faithcity.school.nz.

Further General Information about the school can be found on our website:
www.faithcity.school.nz.



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CITY SCHOOL

Te Kura Hāpori o te Whakapono

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Pastoral Reference

This reference will assist the Principal with the Pre-Enrolment process. Please be assured that your report will be considered prayerfully and will be CONFIDENTIAL to the Principal and those involved in the enrolment process.

YOUR DETAILS		
Name of Referee:		Church Name:
Position of Referee:		Church Address:
Mobile Phone:	Church Phone:	Email:

Pastoral Reference completed to support the application of (please print prospective student(s) names):

Name of Parents/Guardians requesting this reference (please print parents/guardians / caregivers names):

How well do you know the parents/guardians/caregivers?

Very Well / Well / Casually / Hardly at all

Comments:

To the best of your knowledge have the child/ren's parents/guardians/caregivers made a personal commitment to Jesus Christ?

Yes / No / Unknown

Comments:

Do the child/ren and/or the parents/guardians/caregivers attend your church?

Yes – regularly / Yes – sometimes / Yes – occasionally / No

Comments:

Optional Information:

Are there any opportunities you have had to observe the child/ren, parents/guardians/caregivers life and service (service within the church, ministry areas etc?

Do you have any concerns or reasons why you would not recommend this child be enrolled and Faith City School?

Yes / No

Comments:

Do you approve of this parents/guardians/caregivers pre-enrolment status being granted as preferential for their child/ren?

Yes / Yes – with reservations / No

Comments (please comment if Yes with reservations or No):

Thank you for your time and assistance in completing this form.