



Information for parents seeking enrolment for their child/ren at Kadimah School

As a state integrated school, Kadimah School selects students based on criteria for “preference” and “non-preference” enrolments. Preference is determined by the School’s Proprietor, the Bernard Goldwater Jewish Education Trust.

Applicants accept that they will be attending a school of special character and that their place in the school is conditional on their participation in the programme, including Hebrew Language and Jewish Studies.

Applicants accept that they will be required to pay attendance dues as set by the Proprietor and these are not voluntary.

A. Kadimah School selects preference students based on the following criteria:

- 1. Existing association with the Auckland Hebrew Congregation or Beth Shalom (The Progressive Jewish Congregation of Auckland)**
At least one parent or guardian is associated with the Auckland Hebrew Congregation or Beth Shalom.
- 2. Jewish family connection**
A parent or grandparent may be Jewish, but not necessarily affiliated to a synagogue. The test is one of family connection and identity, not a halachic (‘religious’) test;
- 3. Sibling at Kadimah School**
A non-Jewish parent has currently or previously enrolled another child at Kadimah School. This signals an established commitment to educate his/her children in keeping with Jewish beliefs, values, ethics and customs and enables continuity for the family within the education system.
- 4. Previously enrolled in another Jewish education service**
A non-Jewish parent has previously enrolled his/her child in and that child has attended a Jewish early childhood education service, such as (but not limited to) Kadimah Preschool, or a Jewish school other than Kadimah School. This signals an established commitment to educate the child in keeping with Jewish beliefs, values, ethics and customs.
- 5. Commitment to Jewish beliefs, values, ethics and culture**
Regardless of background, demonstrates an empathy for and commitment to supporting Jewish beliefs, values, traditions, ethics and culture. This may be demonstrated in people’s lives in different ways.

B. After all preference students seeking entry have been selected, if the roll is less than its maximum of 350 as specified in the Integration Agreement, Kadimah School may select up to 10% of the maximum roll (35) as non-preference students based on the following criteria, which are in order of priority:

1. Children of employees of the Board of Trustees;
2. Children of members of the Board of Trustees;
3. Children who live within one kilometre of the school who want to participate in the special character programme of the school.

Note: Non-preference students who cannot be enrolled immediately may choose to be placed on a waiting list. Waitlisting is by date and number. Students will be contacted if places become available.

Enrolment information is available in hard copy from our school office.

Below are Kadimah's enrolment policies

6.4 Enrolment Policy and Procedures

Purpose

To ensure that students are permitted to enrol in accordance with legal requirements, including preference and non-preference of enrolment criteria¹, have an opportunity to familiarise themselves with Kadimah School's systems, are placed in a class appropriate to their needs and are provided with relevant information.

Relevant Legislation/Legal Obligations/Regulations

NAG 6

Education and Training Act 2020

Schedule 6 (State Integrated Schools), Education and Training Act 2020 (replacing the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975)

Kadimah School Integration Agreement (November 2010)

Guidelines

When parents/caregivers enter the School asking for information about the School, and/or enrolment forms, the office staff will establish the year level of the child.

If the child is a new entrant (Year 0 or 1), the person enrolling the child:

- will be given an enrolment pack and enrolment procedure letter;
- will be advised of pre-visit dates;
- will be advised that a birth certificate and immunisation certificate will also need to be provided before the child commences school.

If the child has already commenced schooling (Year 1 to Year 8), the person enrolling the child:

- will be advised that they need to meet with the Principal; If the Principal is not available at the time, an appointment will be made or contact details taken so that a Deputy Principal can contact them.
- will be given an enrolment pack and enrolment procedure letter.

The format for the meeting with the Principal could include:

- introduction of self, role at school.
- previous school, area moving from, siblings, interests.
- asking parents what they are wanting from this school;
- explanation of school structure, year levels, classes, teams;

¹ See 6.4A Enrolment Policy: Preference and Non-preference Requirements.

- explanation of class placement, testing (reading level: alphabet sounds, basic words (if applicable), Burt and running record);
- advice that an immunisation certificate needs to be provided before the child commences school;
- questions from family;
- setting an appointment with family and child for testing (if applicable).

An enrolment pack will consist of the following documents:

- Information Letter
- Enrolment Form
- Proprietor's Preference of Enrolment Certificate
- ICT Agreement and Photo Permission Consent Form
- Dental Services Enrolment Form
- Health Services Consent Form
- School prospectus or Information Booklet
- Uniform requirements.

Enrolment forms are returned to the school office on completion.

- As per clause 12 of the Kadimah School Integration Agreement, under section 29(1) of the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975 (replaced by Schedule 6 of the Education and Training Act 2020), the Proprietor determines whether a student qualifies for preference of enrolment.
- New entrant children begin school in the appropriate class.
- For all other year levels, the Principal selects the appropriate class for enrolment. Testing results are given to classroom teacher. The office staff are notified of class placement.

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6.4A Enrolment Policy: Preference and Non-Preference Requirements

Purpose

To ensure that enrolments at Kadimah School comply with the requirements specified in Schedule 6 of the Education and Training Act 2020 and in the Kadimah School Integration Agreement and to provide relevant information for prospective students and their families about the requirements.

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NAG 6

Education and Training Act 2020

Schedule 6 (State Integrated Schools), Education and Training Act 2020 (replacing the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975)

Kadimah School Integration Agreement (November 2010)

Background

State integrated schools select students based on criteria for “preference enrolments” and “non-preference enrolments”.

Applying for enrolment based on preference criteria is not a guarantee of acceptance. As per clause 12 of the Kadimah School Integration Agreement, the Proprietor of Kadimah School - the Bernard Goldwater Jewish Education Trust Board (“the Goldwater Trust Board”), determines whether a student qualifies for preference of enrolment.

After all preference students seeking entry have been enrolled, and if the total roll is less than 350 (the maximum roll specified in the Integration Agreement), Kadimah School can consider enrolling non-preference students up to 10% of the maximum roll (350), providing up to 35 places.

Requirements

1. All applicants for enrolment must accept that they will be attending a school of a special Jewish character and that their place in the school is conditional on their participation in the programme, including Hebrew Language and Jewish Studies and activities which support the special Jewish character of the School.
2. The applicants must accept that they will be required to pay attendance dues as set by the Proprietor and that these are not voluntary.

Selection Criteria

A. Kadimah School selects preference students based on the following criteria:

1. **Existing association with the Auckland Hebrew Congregation or Beth Shalom (The Progressive Jewish Congregation of Auckland)**
At least one parent or guardian is associated with the Auckland Hebrew Congregation or Beth Shalom.
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Regardless of background, demonstrates an empathy for and commitment to supporting Jewish beliefs, values, traditions, ethics and culture. This may be demonstrated in people's lives in different ways.

B. Kadimah School selects non-preference students based on the following criteria, which are in order of priority:

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