

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN ADMISSION POLICIES

No student shall be refused admission to Catholic schools on the basis of race, color, gender, national or ethnic origin.

Students of religious denominations other than Catholic may be admitted according to local policy.

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The norms for the acceptance of non-Catholic students are developed in line with the basic mission of each school to provide a Catholic education for the children of the local parish(es). When non-Catholics or non-parishioners are accepted, care must be taken that room is left or provided on a timely basis for the Catholic students of the parish(es). *cf. E-151, AR-OCS*

Once non-parishioners or non-Catholics have been admitted, it is not permissible to exclude them to make room for parish children unless a written agreement signed at the time of their admittance clearly specifies that admittance is guaranteed for only one year.

Catholic schools exist to educate students in the Catholic faith. Therefore, non-Catholic students must participate in the religion classes, liturgies, and prayer services scheduled during the school year. They must also satisfactorily pass all the course requirements of the school's religious education classes.