



Enrolment Discernment Criteria

All eligible applicants will be considered. There is, however, a limit to the number of students who can be offered a place at Doxa School Bendigo. Therefore where the number of applicants exceed the available places at Doxa School Bendigo the following criteria will be used to assess eligibility. Doxa School adheres to the requirements of the Disability and Discrimination Act (1992) and the Disability Standards for Education (2005).

1. Age

Students enrolled at Doxa School Bendigo would be of secondary school age, 13 years or above.

2. Resources & Expertise:

Consideration will be given to the suitability of the staff and environment. Staff at Doxa School Bendigo are qualified to assist in the development of individual learning programs, and offer Wellbeing support to assist young people to engage at Doxa School. Applicants whose needs exceed the expertise and capacity of the Doxa School program & staff may not be offered a place in the interests of the applicant and Doxa School Bendigo (for example applicants with significant unmanaged/unsupported psychiatric, substance misuse issues)

3. Willingness & ability to fully engage and utilise the Doxa School programs:

Successful applicants will be those who are willing to engage in the opportunities available within the Doxa School programs. All efforts will be made by staff to assist students to engage throughout the duration of the program, however applicants who are not willing to engage may not be offered a place at Doxa School Bendigo. Applicants who have previously refused assistance/support from schools or services may be asked to demonstrate/explain how they intend to make use of the supports and opportunities available at Doxa School prior to being offered a place.

4. Risk:

Doxa School Bendigo needs to provide a safe learning and working environment for all those who attend Doxa School. Applicants who pose a risk to staff or students at Doxa School (including a history of violence & other OH&S considerations) may not be offered a place until such a time as they are able to minimise or pose no risk to staff and students

5. Community:

Doxa School Bendigo is a resource that offers service to the Bendigo and wider communities, therefore consideration will be given to the school of origin and the wider community needs for the resources of Doxa School. All efforts will be made to ensure that no sector of the community dominates the resources of Doxa School. Doxa School will not place multiple students from the same referral source/school if this reduces the School's capacity to offer placement to the wider Bendigo community

6. Balance:

Creating a safe learning environment is essential for the best learning of all Doxa School students therefore consideration will be given to the potential impact of the applicant on current Doxa School students and applicants. This may include considering the balance of gender, age, educational abilities and needs. An applicant may be not offered a place if the balance of the intake is seen to be poorly effected.

7. Other Available Opportunity:

Applicants who have other appropriate opportunities, to continue their education elsewhere, may not be offered a place at Doxa School Bendigo in favour of an applicant who has no other available opportunity.

8. Principals Discretion:

The enrolment of any student at Doxa School Bendigo is done at the discretion of the Principal

Related Documentation:

Enrolment Policy
Enrolment Procedures