



CLASS PLACEMENT POLICY

WANGARATTA PRIMARY SCHOOL

PURPOSE

To explain to our school community how we manage requests for class placements, for the following school year.

POLICY

The process that Wangaratta Primary School works through to plan each student's class placement begins months before the end of the school year. We understand that in certain situations, parents and carers may like to request that their child be placed with a particular friend or in a particular class.

Requests for placement with friends

Wangaratta Primary School recognises the importance of fostering and maintaining friendship groups. We also understand that it is equally important for students to mix and learn with peers who have different interests.

Wangaratta Primary School asks all students to nominate a short list of students they would like to be with, the following year. We ask students to not think about friendship groups, rather students that they will work well with.

If you would like to request that your child be placed according to extenuating circumstances, please ensure that you make this request by November of the year prior, so that we can consider your request in organising our classes for the following year.

Requests must be made in writing, outlining why you feel it is necessary for your child to be placed where requested. Requests must be addressed to the Principal. We will not always be able to accommodate class placement requests, but will endeavour to take your wishes into consideration where possible.

Requests for placement with certain teachers

All teachers at Wangaratta Primary School are caring and committed educators and Wangaratta Primary School strives to ensure that all students are provided with a high-quality education.

Whilst we appreciate that you may wish that your child would benefit from being placed in a class with a particular teacher, we are generally unable to accommodate these requests. Our school's Leadership Team has an in-depth understanding of each teacher's strengths and will always endeavour to place our students with teachers who are best placed to suit their needs. We do not re-allocate students to different classes during the school year.

Requests for students to repeat a year level

Our school will follow the Department of Education and Training policy in the Department's *Policy and Advisory Library* on Year Level Movement – see [Repeating a Year Level](#) policy.

We will regularly promote students to the next year level and will exercise our professional expertise and judgment in relation to these matters. Students are only able to repeat a year level in exceptional circumstances where Wangaratta Primary School considers it is required for the long-term benefit of the student e.g. considering their social, wellbeing and academic needs. We will ensure that parents/carers are advised of the options that we consider best meet individual student needs. Students will not repeat a year level without the consent of parents/carers.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

This statement and all relevant policies can be found on our school website: www.wangps.vic.edu.au

EVALUATION

This policy was last updated in:

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This policy will be revised in 2024.