Entitlement to enrolment

The principal must enrol the prospective student if they are entitled to be enrolled at the state school under the [*Education (General Provisions) Act 2006* (Qld)](https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/view/html/inforce/2018-05-01/act-2006-039) (EGPA).

While not exhaustive, the following matters may affect a prospective student’s entitlement to enrolment at a state school:

* the school has an [Enrolment Management Plan](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/school-enrolment-management-plans-school-emps-procedure) or an Enrolment Eligibility Plan (enrolment is subject to eligibility under the plan)
* the prospective student is [mature age](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/mature-age-student-applications-procedure). They may only apply for enrolment at a mature age state school and will be subject to a satisfactory criminal history check and risk assessment by the principal to determine whether they may pose an unacceptable risk to the safety and wellbeing of the school community. If the prospective student poses an unacceptable risk, they may apply to enrol in a program of distance education. All mature age students must have a remaining allocation of state education (as defined in the [Mature age student applications](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/mature-age-student-applications-procedure) procedure)
* the prospective student is not of eligible age for enrolment (e.g. too young to enrol in [Prep](https://education.qld.gov.au/parents-and-carers/school-information/school-operations/early-and-delayed-entry-to-prep)).
* the prospective student has been [excluded from certain state schools or all state schools in Queensland,](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/student-discipline-procedure) or is subject to [suspension](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/student-discipline-procedure) from a state school at the time of the application
* the school principal reasonably believes that if enrolled the prospective student would pose an unacceptable [risk to the safety or wellbeing of members of the school community](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/refusal-to-enrol-risk-to-safety-or-wellbeing-procedure) (application is referred to the Director-General)
* the school is a state special school and the decision maker has not referred the application for enrolment back to the principal to be dealt with under section 156 of the EGPA. To be eligible for enrolment in a state special school, all criteria outlined in the [Special school eligibility (“person with a disability” criteria) policy](https://education.qld.gov.au/student/Documents/special-school-eligibility-policy.docx?web=1) must be met, and the relevant special school must be able to cater for the educational needs of the prospective student.
* the proposed enrolment requires approval as part of a [flexible arrangement](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/flexible-arrangements-involving-an-alternative-education-provider-procedure) under section 183 of the EGPA, and the arrangement has not yet been approved
* the prospective student holds a student visa[[1]](#footnote-2) or the prospective student is not an Australian resident or citizen or the child of an Australian permanent resident or citizen (visa restrictions may apply, fees may be charged, this includes 500 Student Visa holders as legislation requires that the applicant must obtain approval from the Chief Executive via [Education Queensland International (EQI)](http://www.eqi.com.au/) to enrol)
* the school does not offer the year level that the prospective student should be enrolled in
* the prospective student has no [remaining semester allocation of state education](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/allocation-of-state-education-procedure). Enrolment cannot proceed until [additional semesters](https://ppr.mpe.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/allocation-of-state-education-procedure) are applied for by the prospective student (or parent/carer on their behalf) and granted.

1. under the *Migration Act 1958* (Cwlth) [↑](#footnote-ref-2)