

Admission Process

Capulum College takes students on a case-by-case basis. We take our responsibility seriously and we strive to ensure that we take on students whose individual needs the school is able to meet and who will fit in well with our existing students. In addition, it is essential that we are able to work positively with parents, who are committed to helping us help them and who are prepared to work with any therapists going forward to assist with the progress of the child.

We take new special needs students throughout the year, provided there is sufficient space in the specific class or grade.

Our admission process involves the following steps:

1. Making initial contact with the school (congratulations, you have already completed this step!)
2. Please carefully read through the fees, terms and conditions so you are aware of all the requirements.
3. Contact us to make an appointment to meet with the Principal and bring all the documents/assessments/school reports and doctor's information that you may have even if they are a bit old. Bringing your child also has a beneficial advantage. This meeting will also give you an opportunity to see the school and meet teachers.
4. Depending on your child's specific needs, challenges and strengths, we may request that your child attend the school for a few hours or a day (sometimes two) to see how well we are able to accommodate them and how they will respond to the environment we provide.
5. Please note that we do conduct a credit check on all applications.
6. Once we have all your paperwork back, have conducted the credit check and received your admission fees we will send you an Acceptance Letter and confirm the date your child can join us and begin their new journey, as part of the Capulum College family

Admission Criteria

- Learners who join Capulum College will include those with specific learning difficulties, specifically those with language processing, Dyslexia, Dyscalculia, high functioning Autism, ADHD/ADD.
- Please note that under achievement which is due to severe psychiatric disorders, trauma or neglect are not included, as well as behaviour disorders including Autism with PDA
- Placement depends on whether the learner will benefit from remedial intervention. Parents who enrol their child at Capulum College must accept and

abide by the admission criteria and therapy requirements, as and when requested.

- Parents need to commit to supporting the school and the learner. Capulum College provides a functional approach to education. The school requires commitment and on-going assistance from parents, with regard to diet, attendance, specific therapies or assessments, as and when requested, teacher aides (in the autism class) when necessary. The Junior, Intermediate and STEP learners all need assistance with homework. If assistance from teachers is required, please do not hesitate to ask.
- Neurological disorders including ADHD must be identified by a neurologist, paediatrician or psychologist. If learners with epilepsy or dyslexia find the rigours of the CAPS syllabus too difficult, the school reserves the right to accommodate the individual needs by altering the syllabus or introducing a more lateral approach.
- Learners identified on the Autism Spectrum are admitted into Capulum College provided the child is high functioning, toilet trained. The School reserves the right to work with parents who are prepared to look holistically at Autism and will work with the staff to achieve the best they can.
- Learners with mild intellectual barriers can be accommodated, so long as parents are prepared to work with the staff to achieve the best they can.
- Capulum College is unable to accommodate learners who are:
blind, deaf or cognitively impaired, as well as those with physical difficulties.
- Capulum College is not able to accommodate learners with behavioural difficulties, psychiatric problems, severe emotional difficulties or substance abuse.
- Capulum College has outsourced boarding facilities and transport services
- Capulum College reserves the right to request that specific assessments (e.g. Psychological, Occupational or Speech) be conducted prior to placement and that existing assessments are updated periodically, as and when needed.
- Capulum College does NOT conduct in-house specialist assessments (e.g. Psychological, Occupational or Speech). We do work closely with a number of excellent specialist professionals and contact information can be provided on request.