

## **VANGUARD MILITARY SCHOOL (DCS)**

## Enrolment Scheme 2021 - 2023

- 1. The Minister has by notice in the *Gazette* established Vanguard Military School as a designated character school (DCS) and enrolment will be subject to the school's enrolment scheme. (p12 s156(1))
- 2. Vanguard Military School is a co-educational, designated character senior secondary school that provides specialist education that is facilitated by an educational model that uses a significantly different approach to educating students.
- 3. Students enrolling at Vanguard will be considered acceptable for enrolment if:
- 3.1 They and their parent/caregiver accept the aims, purpose and objectives of the schools as set out in the Vanguard Military School (DCS) charter, and declare to continue to do so for the duration of the student's attendance at the school.
- 3.2 They are the correct age for a senior high school.
- 3.3 They are at the specified academic level (NCEA Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3), meaning they have completed Year 10 or above or the equivalent thereof, unless that person turned 15 before 1<sup>st</sup> April in the previous year. (Turning 16 in the first year of enrolment)
- 3.4 They are not in breach of the school's health and safety policy.
- 3.5 The school will not exceed its maximum roll by accepting the enrolment.
- 3.6 The school has a position to offer in that year level and for that specific subject choice.
- 4. Enrolment Scheme:
- 4.1 Enrolment at Vanguard Military School (DCS), would require all students and their respective legal parents'/guardians' to accept and uphold the aims, purpose and objectives of the schools as set out in the Vanguard Military School (DCS) charter, and continue to do so for the duration of the student's attendance at the school. (p12 s156(2(b)+(e))
- 4.2 Vanguard Military School (DCS) does not have a defined home zone. Students from the greater Auckland area or any other practicable geographic location are able to enrol, if they are able to maintain their attendance as per the school charter. (p12 11PB(1(b)))
- 4.3 Due to the requirements of the special character of the school, all enrolments are done on an annual intake system. (p12 s11PB(2))
- 4.4 Pre-enrolment procedure:
- i) Complete the online expression of interest application form at any time prior to the opening of the annual enrolments.



- ii) Prospective applicant receives enrolment information and invitation to book and attend an orientation evening.
- iii) Applicant and parent/caregiver attend the mandatory Orientation Evening to assist with determining whether or not they wish to attend Vanguard Military School (DCS).
- iv) Interested applicant and parent/caregiver receive an enrolment pack with all required paper work.
- v) Applicant and parent/caregiver complete all relevant paper work and return it to the school within the published required timeframe.
- vi) Enrolments close on the published final day of enrolments.
- vii) In the event of 4.5(vi), 4.6 will be actioned to establish the acceptable applicants.
- viii) All unsuccessful applicants will be in formed in writing within five (5) school days after the close of enrolment.
- ix) All acceptable applicants and parents/caregivers, subject to 3.5, will be informed in writing of provisional acceptance and be invited to book an interview with a staff member, where the agreement of understanding will be discussed and signed by all parties.
- x) Applicant and parent/caregiver will be informed of the starting date and time for the two week induction period which starts two weeks prior to the start of the academic year.
- xi) Applicant and parent/caregiver will have the opportunity during this induction period to change their mind as to accepting a place at the school.
- xii) At the end of the two week induction all enrolments will be final, with new enrolee's placed on the school's SMS. (Back-dated to the first day of induction)
- 4.5 Enrolment at Vanguard Military School (DCS) being subject to:
  - i) 4.1
  - ii) Fully completing all administrative and other pre-enrolment requirements.
  - iii) Both the parent/caregiver and the student attending one of the official "Orientation Evenings" or the equivalent thereof.
  - iv) The student having completed the work of year 10 or the equivalent thereof, unless the student turned 15 before 1 April the previous year.
  - v) Both the parent/caregiver and the student attending the final enrolment interview at the school and signing the required documentation.
  - vi) The availability of places in an acceptable student's selected programme, or the school exceeding its maximum roll.
- 4.6 Order of priority in the event of more students applying for a specific programme than can be accommodated at the school or the school exceeding its maximum roll.



- 4.6.1 First priority is given to any applicant who is accepted for enrolment in a special programme.
- 4.6.2 Second priority is given to any applicant who is a sibling of a current student of the school.
- 4.6.3 Third priority is given to any applicant who is either a child of an employee of the board of the school or a child of a board member of the school.
- 4.6.4 Fourth priority is given to any applicant who is prepared to modify their selected special programme, if this is at all possible.
- 4.6.5 Fifth priority is given to any applicant for whom the school is reasonably convenient.
- 4.6.6 All remaining places will be balloted using the school's balloting system.
- 5. The Board of Vanguard Military School (DCS) reserve the right to evoke Part 12 Section 156 (7(b)) of the Education Act 1989 and refuse enrolment to people whose parents do not accept the aims, purpose and objectives that constitute the school's designated character.
- 6. The board of Vanguard Military School (DCS) reserve the right to annul the enrolment of any student if the board believes on reasonable grounds that the student's pre-enrolment information was falsely claimed for the purpose of securing enrolment.

## Notice of Vanguard Military School (DCS) Enrolment Scheme

- 1 (Description of the enrolment scheme)
- 2 (Where enrolment scheme can be viewed)
- 3 (The likely number of places available)
- 4 (The significant pre-enrolment dates and procedure that applies)
- 5 (The date on which a ballot could be held)

Must be available at the school at all times.

- 6 (A copy of the school's current enrolment scheme)
- 7 (A copy of the waiting lists for places at the school and the time frame for accepting enrolments outside of the intake period)
- 8 (Information for numbers 3, 4 and 5)