



MARITZBURG
COLLEGE

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING MARITZBURG COLLEGE FOR YOUR SON'S HIGH-SCHOOL EDUCATION. For more information about our school, please visit our Website: maritzburgcollege.co.za

Below is a brief summary of our admissions process.

ADMISSIONS PROCESS

Please keep this document for reference purposes, as it answers most of the questions that parents may have.

1. When to apply:

- Applications for **Grade 8** (Form 2) open at the start of the Grade 6 year, and close at the end of February (of the Grade 7 year). Due to the large number we receive, submitting your son's application during his Grade 6 year would assist us greatly in our administration process. (There is no application fee.)
- Applications for **Grades 9-12** (Form 3-6) may be made at any time during the year. However, acceptance for the following year can only be confirmed during Term 4, once we have been notified of any current pupils who may be leaving the school. (There is no application fee.)

2. Completing / Submitting Applications:

In order for your son's application to be considered, please complete the application form and submit it to the Admissions Department, together with all the supporting documents listed at the top of Page 4 of the Application Form. *(These documents do not need to be certified.)*

- If you are applying during your son's Grade 6 year, you may submit the application without a report, but will need to send us a copy of his Grade 6 December report when you receive it. (We will remind you at the end of the year.)
- Please make sure that you complete your email addresses on the application form. (Please write clearly.)
- All admissions-related correspondence should be emailed directly to: ***admissions@mcollege.co.za***

3. Acknowledging Applications:

Letters confirming receipt of applications are posted. If you have not received a letter within 10 days, please telephone the Admissions Department to check on the situation. (This letter is not an indication of acceptance or rejection.)

- Thereafter, please do not be concerned if you receive no further correspondence from us until after the admissions meetings (see 4. below). We will contact you if there is anything further we require.
- We receive over 700 applications (from roughly 160 different schools) and are only able to accept approximately 40% of the dayboys and boarders who apply. **It is therefore ESSENTIAL THAT YOU ALSO APPLY (AS SOON AS POSSIBLE) TO A SECOND AND THIRD SCHOOL, as there is no guarantee that your son's application to Maritzburg College will be successful.**

4. Notification of Acceptance / Non-Acceptance:

- The Admissions Committee, comprising senior staff members, carefully assesses every application over a three-week period prior to our Admissions Selection Meetings. The committee then meets (1) at the end of April (of the Grade 7 year) to discuss the selection of BOARDERS, and (2) at the end of May for the selection of DAYBOYS.
- Parents are emailed/phoned, a day or two after the relevant meeting, to let them know the committee's decision. Official letters are posted a few days later. (Please check your post-boxes.)
- **Please note that acceptance is provisional (initially), but is automatically deemed final once parents have attended to the following by the deadline/s stipulated in the acceptance letter.**
 - Paid the acceptance deposit
 - Satisfactorily completed and returned the acceptance documentation.

5. **Acceptance Deposit:**

An acceptance deposit is payable within one month of your son's provisional acceptance. For your budgeting purposes, please note the deposits payable for the 2020 intake. (These amounts are subject to change for future intakes.)

- Day scholars (R3 700)
- Boarders (R10 300)

6. **School Fees for 2020 (excluding the acceptance deposit):**

- Tuition fees for Grade 8 (Form 2) Dayboys, including the differential rate, is R54 450*
- Boarding fees for Grade 8 (Form 2), including the differential rate, is R134 950* (ie R80 500 boarding fee + R54 450 tuition fee).

Due to investment in HR and IT in the school, and significant Capex expansion in the Boarding Establishment, there is a differential fee* for the Grade 8 (Form 2) intake.

- Tuition fees for Grade 9-12 (Form 3-6) Dayboys is R50 900.
- Boarding fees for Grade 9-12 (Form 3-6) is R127 700 (ie R76 800 boarding fee + R50 900 tuition fee)

7. **Other Expenses (to be paid by parents):**

The following are NOT provided by the school and are NOT included in the tuition or boarding fees.

- School Uniforms
- Boarder Uniforms and other items needed for boarding
- Sports clothing, sports shoes and sports equipment
- Stationery
- Text Books
- School Tours and Camps
- Any other expenses that might arise

Uniform lists will be emailed/posted to parents towards mid-year.

Stationery and Text book requirements (and other information) will be posted to parents at the end of Term 3.

8. **Scholarships:**

Maritzburg College awards a limited number of Scholarships for excellence in Academics, Culture and Sport. In all cases, the potential candidates are selected, solely at the discretion of the school, according to the following criteria.

- Academic scholarships are awarded to a select few of the top achievers in Mathematics and English. These awards are based on (1) the Grade 6 December report and (2) the results of the Maritzburg College scholarship exam (written by invitation only).
- Cultural scholarships are usually awarded retrospectively, based on the learner's commitment and cultural talent evident during his Grade 8 (Form 2) year.
- Sporting scholarships are awarded to a select few of the boys who perform at a provincial (or higher) level. We take into account the information parents provide on the application forms, the confidential questionnaires received from the primary schools and the constant monitoring of performance by our Recruitment Department.
- Every application is assessed in terms of the above criteria. Parents, therefore, do not apply for scholarships at Maritzburg College. The school will contact parents whose sons are awarded scholarships.

9. **Open Days, Parents Information Evenings, Boarder Sleep-Overs and Tours of the School:**

These functions are organised by our Marketing Department: marketing@mcollege.co.za

For further information, please visit our Website: maritzburgcollege.co.za

10. **Admissions Department:**

Should you have any queries regarding the admissions process, please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions Department:

- **Tel:** 033-3429376
- **Email:** admissions@mcollege.co.za

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