



Dear Parents

Thank you for considering Maritzburg College for your son's high-school education. For more information about our school, please visit our website at www.maritzburgcollege.co.za.

Below is a brief summary of our admissions process.

ADMISSIONS PROCESS – 2024 INTAKE (Please refer to this document throughout the admissions process.)

1. When to apply:

- Applications for **Grade 8** (Form 2) open at the start of a boy's 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 if any current pupils are leaving the school. (There is no application fee.)

2. Completing ONLINE Applications:

Applications must all be submitted ONLINE via our website: maritzburgcollege.co.za. (No printed or emailed copies will be accepted.)

- When opening the online application, please make sure that you read the first page before starting to complete the form, so that all your supporting documents are scanned and ready to upload when you start.
- **Note:** We cannot accept unclear/illegible documents that have been poorly scanned. Please scan documents in their original size, e.g. please don't send us a 10 cm x 5 cm birth certificate. We suggest that you open your scanned copies, before submitting them, to check that you can read them clearly. Parents who have sent illegible documents may be required to resubmit their applications.

3. Acknowledging Applications:

Once you have submitted your application, a copy of the completed application form will be emailed to the address you supplied at the end of the form. Please check that the information is correct and let us know if you pick up any errors you may have made.

- Thereafter, please do not be concerned if you receive no further correspondence from us until after the admissions meetings (**see 4. below**). Rest assured that we are busy processing all the applications and that we will contact you if there is anything further we require from you.
- 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) around the end of April (of the Grade 7 year) to discuss the selection of BOARDERS, and (2) around the end of May for the selection of DAYBOYS.
- Parents are emailed a day or two after the relevant meeting to let them know the committee's decision. Official letters are emailed a few days later.
- **Please note that acceptance is provisional (initially), but will automatically be deemed final once parents have attended to the following by the deadline/s stipulated in the acceptance letter.**
 - paid the acceptance deposit; and
 - satisfactorily completed and returned the acceptance documentation.

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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 2022 intake. **(These amounts are subject to change for future intakes.)**

- Day scholars: (R3 700) – i.e. Tuition Deposit
- Boarders (R15 000) i.e. R11 300 Boarding Deposit + R3 700 Tuition Deposit

6. **School Fees for 2022 (excluding the acceptance deposit):**

- Tuition for Grade 8 (Form 2) Dayboys, including the differential rate, is R59 800.*
- Boarding for Grade 8 (Form 2), including the differential rate, is R146 850 (i.e. R87 050 boarding fee + R59 800 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 for Grade 9-12 (Form 3-6) Dayboys is R55 890.
- Boarding for Grade 9-12 (Form 3-6) is R138 930 (i.e. R83 040 boarding fee + R55 890 tuition fee).

Please note that the fees for **2023** and **2024** will increase but will only be finalised at the AGM in October/November of the preceding year.

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 to parents towards mid-year of the Grade 7 year. Stationery and text book requirements (and other information) will be emailed to parents at the end of Term 3 of the Grade 7 year.

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 and 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 at www.maritzburgcollege.co.za.

10. **Admissions Department:**

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

- **Telephone:** 033-342 9376
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