



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 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 on 1 March 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 of instructions 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.

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 2023 intake. **(These amounts are subject to change for future intakes.)**

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

6. **School Fees for 2023 (excluding the acceptance deposit):**

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

A monthly option is available over 10 or 11 months, January to October or November, if so selected.

- Tuition for **Grade 8** (Form 2) Day Scholars, including the differential rate, is R65 700.
- Tuition for **Grade 9-12** (Form 3-6) Day Scholars is R61 400.

Boarding

A monthly option is available with interest (current interest for 2023 is 5% per annum).

- Boarding for Grade 8 (Form 2), including the differential rate, is R161 100 (i.e. R95 400 boarding fee + R65 700 tuition fee).
- Boarding for Grade 9-12 (Form 3-6) is R152 400 (i.e. R91 000 boarding fee + R61 400 tuition fee).

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

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
- Textbooks
- 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 textbook 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 only awarded to current Maritzburg College learners, based on their end-of-year results.
- Cultural scholarships are usually awarded retrospectively, based on a learner's commitment and cultural talent evident during his (Grade 8) 2nd Form year.
- A limited number of sport scholarships are offered to boys who have performed at a provincial (or higher) level, in a major sport, or who have been identified by our Recruitment Department. The boys' academic and discipline records, together with any supporting information provided by the primary schools, are taken into account.
- 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
- **Email:** admissions@mcollege.co.za