



Citipointe Christian College

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your enquiry regarding early entry to Preparatory Year. The Queensland Government has allowed an exception to the cut-off date of 30th June (in the year the child turns 5). This exception applies for children born in July and is at the Principal's discretion. Please read the following information to consider whether your child is ready to commence school early.

The principal's decision will be based on your child's attributes including ability, aptitude, social and emotional competence, physical development, and level of knowledge and understanding.

The principal may consider things such as whether your child can:

- confidently make choices/decisions and follow through
- make several attempts to complete a new or challenging experience before seeking help
- actively seek and accept help from familiar and unfamiliar adults
- recall past experiences, events, or discussions
- talk confidently, including expressing feelings and ideas, to familiar and unfamiliar people
- demonstrate coping skills and resilience when things don't go to plan
- interact appropriately with other children and adults
- cope well with separation from parents or carers for the duration of a school day
- confidently use fine and gross motor skills to complete tasks
- sustain active involvement in challenging experiences
- monitor and manage their own physical needs (e.g. toileting)
- sustain energy and display endurance across the learning and routine expectations of a school day
- apply knowledge from past learning to a new learning situation
- use a variety of vocabulary when classifying, sorting, sequencing and comparing everyday materials and objects
- use language associated with, and show understanding of, spatial positions and directions
- handle a book and recognise some letters, numbers and symbols (i.e. is familiar with printed material).

(Government website [www. http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-operations/early-delayed-entry-prep.html](http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-operations/early-delayed-entry-prep.html))

Additional information taken into consideration:

- How many days your child currently attends Preschool/Kindergarten.
- The type of program offered at Preschool/Kindergarten.
- Current association with the College.

To apply for early entry into Preparatory, and as part of our College's assessment, a letter and transition statement is required from the Preschool/Kindergarten and submitted along with the application form found on the College website. Please email the Registrar at enrolments@citipointe.qld.edu.au if you have any questions.