



PRIORITY OF ACCESS POLICY FOR PRESCHOOL

- A Priority of Access ensures that children and families have equitable access to their local, preferred or nearby preschool.
- Enrolment at Gawler and District Children's Centre does not guarantee automatic access to Gawler and District College B-12 School.

LOCAL GEOGRAPHIC CATCHMENT AREA:

A map showing the Geographic Catchment Area, including a list of roads bordering the area, for the Gawler and District College B-12 Children's Centre is shown on **page 3**. This area was determined through consultation with neighbouring preschools and considering the following:

- Historic Enrolment Information (Addresses and School Choices of past preschool enrolments)
- Local travel routes
- School bus routes
- School zones
- Population density

This is endorsed by Gawler and District College B-12 Children's Centre Governing Council and the Greater Gawler Partnership.

CRITERIA USED TO ALLOCATE PLACES:

LOCAL CHILDREN:

Children Residing in the Centre's geographic catchment area as defined above will be prioritised and receive enrolment offers from the beginning of August in the year prior to preschool.

To confirm that you and your child are living within the Centre's geographic catchment area, proof of residential address will need to be provided by the Parents/Caregiver's that the child usually resides with (e.g. Current Drivers Licence or Electricity Bill).

The date enrolment Registrations are received will also be used to determine priority within each of the following priority groups if there are more children than available vacancies on the waiting list.

PRIORITY 1.1

- Children at risk of serious abuse or neglect
- Children in Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Families
- Children under the Guardianship of the Minister
- Children in families which includes a person with a disability
- Children with a disability
- Children in families with non-English speaking backgrounds
- Children in socially isolated families

PRIORITY 1.2

- All other children who do not meet the criteria above and reside in the Centre's geographic catchment area.



CRITERIA USED TO ALLOCATE PLACES CONTINUED...

NON-LOCAL CHILDREN:

If vacancies exist after the first round of enrolment offers to local children, children residing outside the preschools geographic catchment area as defined above will receive enrolment offers from late September in the year prior to preschool.

The date enrolment Registrations are received will also be used to determine priority within each of the following priority groups if there are more children than available vacancies on the waiting list.

PRIORITY 2.1

- Children at risk of serious abuse or neglect
- Children in Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Families
- Children under the Guardianship of the Minister
- Children in families which includes a person with a disability
- Children with a disability
- Children in families with non-English speaking backgrounds
- Children in socially isolated families

PRIORITY 2.2

- Children not able to be accommodated at their local preschool who reside within the geographic area of the DECD Local Partnership.

PRIORITY 2.3

- Children who access Childcare or Family Day Care within the geographic catchment area for 2 or more days per week.

PRIORITY 2.4

- Children with siblings enrolled at the Gawler and District College B-12 Junior School
- Children with siblings enrolled at Evanston Gardens Primary School

PRIORITY 2.5

- Children who intend to enrol at the Gawler and District College B-12 Junior School or Evanston Gardens Primary School

PRIORITY 2.6

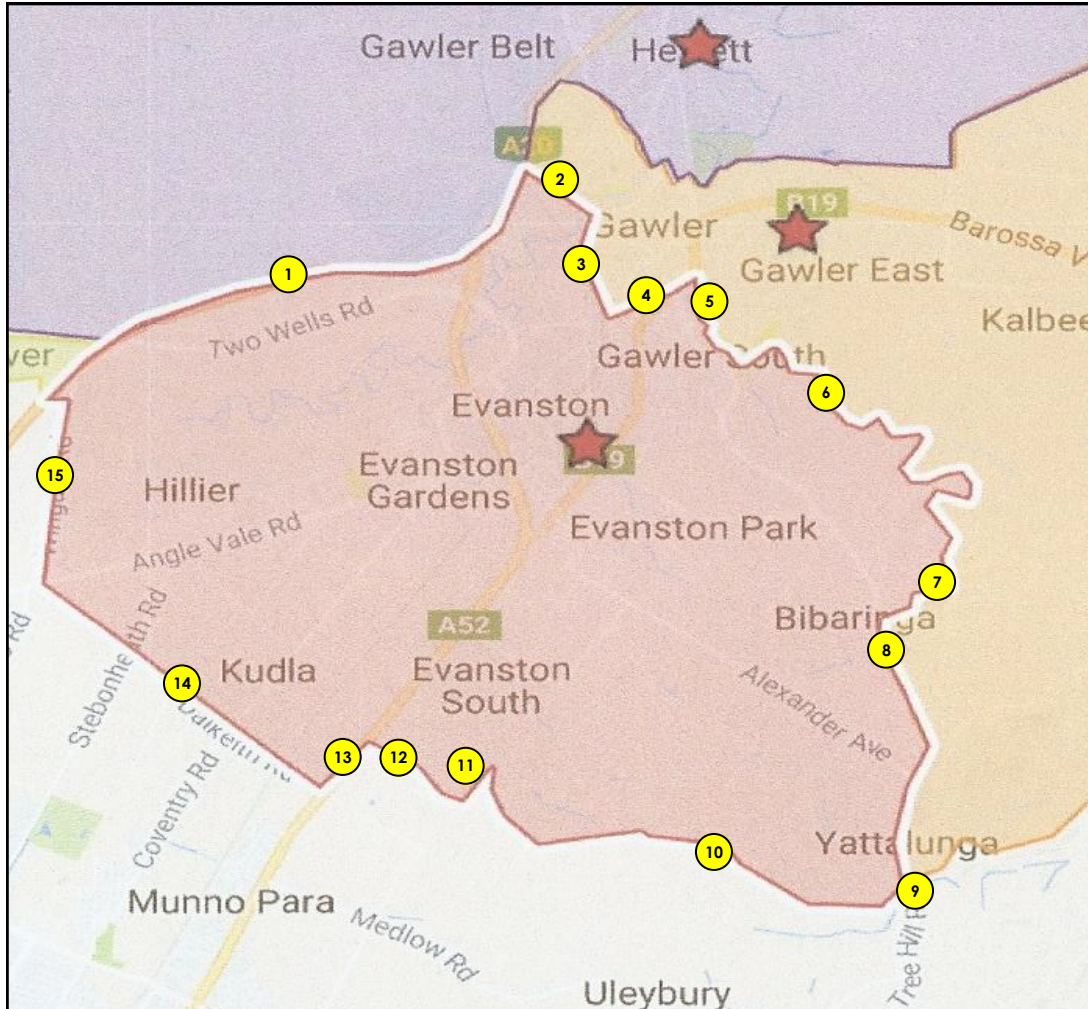
- All other children who do not meet any of the criteria above

*This policy was formulated using DECD Policies:
"Developing and Implementing a Priority of Access Policy for Preschools"
"Preschool Enrolment Policy"*

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Geographic Catchment Area Map



The Geographic Catchment Area for the **Gawler and District College B-12 CHILDREN'S CENTRE** is shown above in light brown and is bordered by the following roads:

1. Northern Expressway - Buchfeld/Reid
2. Kelly Road - Willaston
3. Beadnall Terrace - Gawler West
4. Twelfth Street - Gawler South
5. Murray Street - Gawler South
6. South Para River
7. Eagles Nest Drive - Bibaringa,
8. Gawler - One Tree Hill Road
9. Kentish Road - Uleybury
10. Adams Road - Uleybury
11. Bently Road - Evanston South
12. Gale Road - Evanston South
13. Main North Road - Evanston South
14. Dalkeith Road - Kudla
15. Wingate Road - Hillier