MARY IMMACULATE SCHOOL BOARD

Brisbane Catholic Education requests that School communities give consideration to shared policy making groups. This is achieved through the development of a School Board. Collaborative strategies in the domains of School Board, school leadership and parent leaders together with parish leadership enhance and co-ordinate communication, policy direction and community engagement.

The Mary Immaculate School Board was first formed in July 2007. Board members (staff, parents and a parish representative) participate in Board meetings with the understanding that they are participating in the broad ministry of pastoral support and that board membership is essentially a collaborative ministry using the shared wisdom model, where decisions are reached through discernment. The Parents and Friends Association of the school remains the official parent body in the school.

The Board’s responsibilities include:

- Functioning in accordance with the shared wisdom model of speaking, listening, and allowing ideas to blend;
- Collaborating in nurturing the Special Religious Character of the school;
- Participating in the planning of the ongoing development of the school; through the School Strategic Renewal process.
- Reviewing the school’s statements of vision, mission and special religious character;
- Developing, reviewing and maintaining policies;
- Participating in the selection process for the appointment of the principal;
- Supporting staff;
- Providing advice on any matters referred by the Principal and
- Establishing and maintaining the process for informal and formal communication.

It remains the aim of the school to develop a School Board that is reflective of the diversity of our school community.