An Independent Public School

## **Selection Process**

- 1. Students apply to the College the year before they wish to enrol using the required forms and provide school reports and any supporting information such as employment references, portfolio and resumes.
- 2. An initial screening is made on the basis of ABE and comments in the school reports. Students exhibiting significant behaviour issues are not offered an interview but are invited to provide the college with an improved report at a later date.
- 3. Students whose reports indicate satisfactory ABE and behaviour are offered an interview. The interview is designed to provide additional detail around the following criteria:

Demonstrated interest in agriculture and/or related trades

Indicators Previous experience

Sports and hobbies

Work experience-paid/unpaid

School subject choices

Positive behaviour in learning environments

Indicators School reports – attendance – behaviour - trust

References, letters of commendation, leadership positions

- A career goal corresponding to the College programs
- Compatibility to a residential environment (if a boarding student)

Indicators Independence

Ability to self-regulate and self-manage

Behaviour- trust

Positive interactions with peers

- 4. The interview is conducted by the Principal or Vice Principal or another member of Senior staff utilizing a standard set of questions and referring to the school reports and other materials provided. Scores for each question are allocated based on a standardised response schedule and a total score is calculated for each student. On the day of the interview, the prospective student and parents will be given a presentation on the College and a tour of the facilities.
- 5. Students are ranked on the basis of their score, cut offs established and offers for positions made. Students without offers remain on hold for later rounds of interviews and selections.

A number of rounds of offers are made over the year as follows.

Offers
Term 2 week 2
Term 2 week 11
Term 3 week 10
Term 4 week 8