



HOLY CROSS CONVENT SCHOOL

Holistic Primary Education For Boys & Girls

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LANGUAGE POLICY

In accordance with *The South African Schools Act. No. 84 of 1996*, The Holy Cross Convent School has adopted the following Language Policy.

Language of Learning and Teaching

Holy Cross Convent School is a single medium school, and the language of learning and teaching is English. However, the School enrolls learners and appoints staff with diverse linguistic backgrounds. The language of communication with parents and stakeholders is also English.

Languages offered at the school

- English – Home Language
- Afrikaans – First Additional Language
- Conversational isiXhosa

Foundation Phase

In line with the Curriculum Assessment Policy Statement (CAPS), the language of learning and teaching (LOLT) is English.

Instruction in Home Language (English) takes place for 8 hours per week.

Instruction In First Additional Language (Afrikaans) takes place for 2 hours per week in Grade 1 and Grade 2; and for 3 hours per week in Grade 3.

Conversational isiXhosa is taught for 30 minutes per week.

Intersen Phase

In line with the Curriculum Assessment Policy Statement (CAPS), the language of learning and teaching (LOLT) is English.

Instruction in Home Language (English) takes place for 6 hours per week in Grade 4 to Grade 6 and; for 5 hours per week in Grade 7.

Instruction In First Additional Language (Afrikaans) takes place for 5 hours per week in Grade 4 to Grade 6; and for 4 hours per week in Grade 7.

Conversational isiXhosa is taught for 30 minutes per week.

Assessment

The language of assessment for all subjects, other than First Additional Language (Afrikaans), is English. Conversational isiXhosa is not formally assessed.

As outlined in the Curriculum Assessment Policy Statement (CAPS), the following promotion requirements with regards to languages is adhered to:

- Code 4 (50% - 59%) in Home Language (English)
- Code 3 (40% - 49%) in First Additional Language (Afrikaans)

Review

This policy will be reviewed regularly.

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