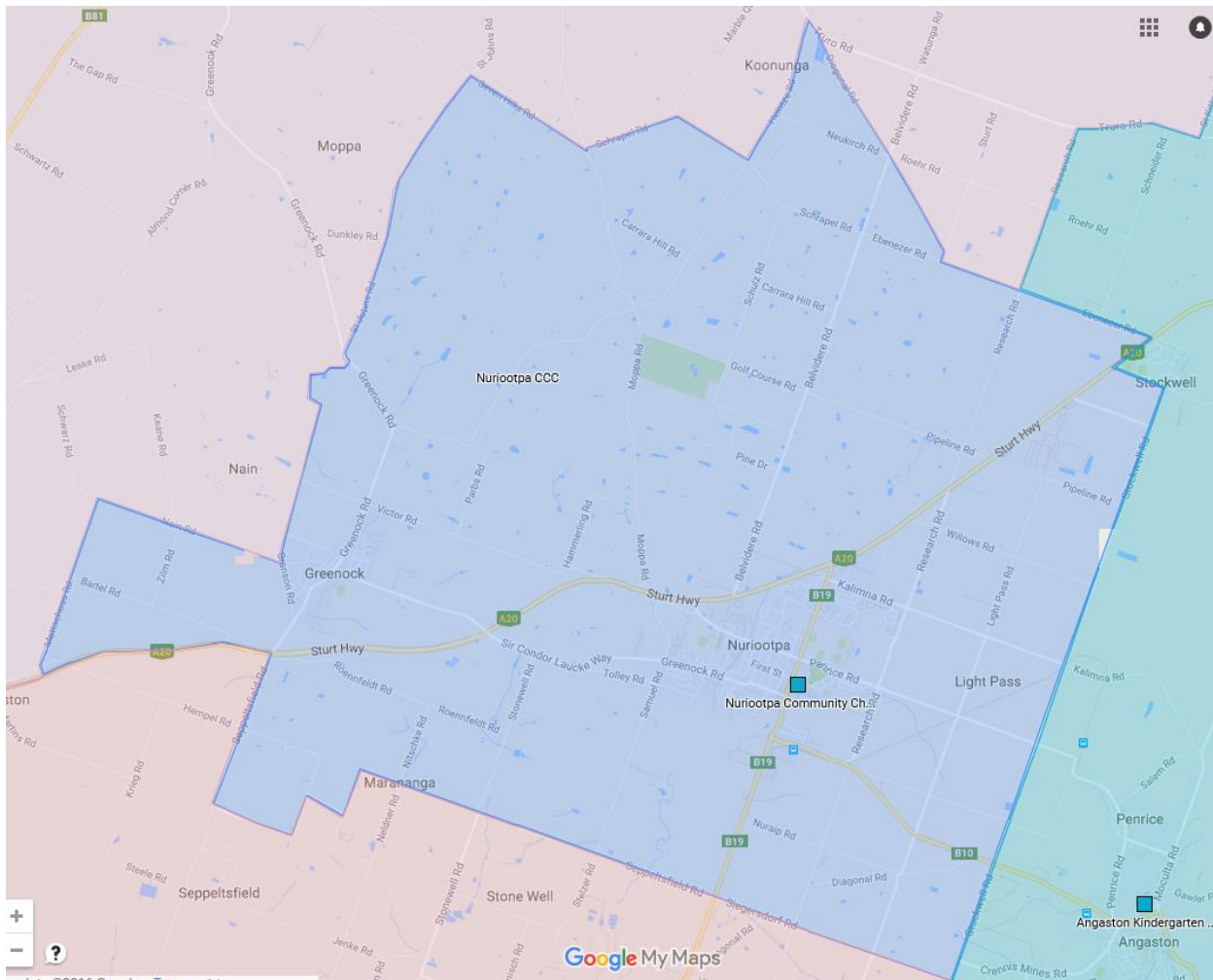


Nuriootpa Community Children's Centre Preschool Priority of Access Policy

To implement the DECD Preschool Enrolment Procedure <https://www.decd.sa.gov.au/parenting-and-child-care/child-care/services-and-programs/preschool-and-kindergarten> and [Preschool Enrolment Policy](#) the following criteria will be used to ensure children and families have equitable access to their local, preferred or nearby preschool.

Local Geographic Area

The centre's local geographic catchment area is bounded by Seven Hills Road, Shrapel Road, Heintze Road, Diagonal Road, Sturt Road, Ebenezer Road, Sturt Highway, Duck Ponds Rd, Stockwell Road, Siegersdorf Road, Seppeltfield Road, Sturt Highway, Hempel Road, Mattchoss Road, Nain Road, Branson Road, un-named Road, Greenock Road, St Johns Road.



This map can be viewed online at

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?mid=1mSOHQUs40RMb1o0T6uVoe7TdDxI>

This area was determined through consultation with neighboring preschools considering

- Historic enrolment information (addresses and school choices of past preschool enrolments)
- Local Travel routes
- School bus routes (where applicable)
- School zones (where applicable)
- Population density

and is endorsed by the Barossa Valley DECD Local Partnership.

Criteria used to allocate places.

Local Children

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

Please note proof of residence (with parent name located on document) must be provided and the following will be accepted:

- Driver's Licence
- Rental Agreement.
- Utilities bill.
- House sale contract (if recently purchased a house to reside in & handover is prior to preschool year beginning)
- Building contract (if currently building in the catchment area)

The date Enrolment Registrations are received will 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

- Children at risk of serious abuse or neglect
- Children in Aboriginal and 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 centres geographic catchment area

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 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

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- Children in Aboriginal and 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

Existing families using our centres child care service who and have a **permanent booking** and do not reside in the centres geographic catchment area and/or children with siblings enrolled at the following Primary Schools: Nuriootpa, Greenock, Light Pass, Redeemer.

Priority 2.4

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

Priority of Access to Preschool Full Day sessions

Children enrolled in 2 sessions of Preschool in one day (commonly known as full day Preschool) access a childcare session (Lunch care) whilst Preschool staff are on lunch break. Priority of Access to full days of Preschool sessions is given in line with the Australian Governments 'Priority for allocating places'.

1. Children at risk of serious abuse or neglect
2. A child of a single parent who satisfies, or of parents who both satisfy, the work/training/study test under Section 14 of the 'A New Tax System (Family Assistance) Act 1999) – **must be work/study/training at least 15 hours a week.**
3. Any other Child

Within the above categories priority is also given to the following children:

- Children in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families
- Children in families which include a disabled person
- Children in families which include an individual whose adjusted taxable income does not exceed the lower income threshold of \$43,727 for 2016-2017, or who or whose partner are on income support.
- Children under the Guardianship of the Minister
- Children in families with non-English speaking backgrounds
- Children in socially isolated families
- Children of single parents

***Please note: documentation may be requested by the Director to ascertain your priority.**