

ST IGNATIUS of LOYOLA CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Burt Road, Drury

“To educate the young is to transform the world”

Jesuit education pioneer

The establishment of a Catholic college in Franklin Counties south of Auckland city has been an enduring hope for many. Parishioners first proposed the provision of Catholic education for the young people south of Auckland to Archbishop Liston in 1957. Over 40 years later a group of parents whose children attended local Catholic primary schools came together to lobby and work with the Catholic Diocese of Auckland to achieve their dream.

St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College will provide a Catholic education in the spirit of St Ignatius and the tradition of Jesuit education. Bishop Steve Low, Roman Catholic Bishop of Auckland is the Proprietor of the college.

The new Diocesan college will open Term 1, 2024 with 340 Year 7 to 9 students. The roll will grow to 900 Year 7 to 13 students by 2030. Through its enrolment scheme priority will be given to preference students from St Joseph’s Catholic School Pukekohe, St Mary’s Catholic School, Papakura and Holy Trinity Catholic School, Takanini.

The Establishment Board of Trustees began work at the end of 2021. The EBoT’s role is to oversee and assist in the process of setting up the new school. Board members represent the local community, the Proprietor and the Ministry of Education.

Earthworks have been completed and the design is now also closed out. You can take a look at the first stage of the College using this flythrough:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PbvT1h3VdlU>

Artists impression of what the school may look like



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