Exceptional Learning Opportunities For Boys

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2021 Enrichment Class Application

Dear Parents,

The enrichment class, or high achievers' class, caters for students who are talented in literacy, numeracy, arts, science and technology, and provides challenging enrichment and extension opportunities, including creative and critical thinking. Students who are achieving results above average and enjoy being challenged may find this class rewarding.

There are multiple criteria, including parent nomination (form attached), Primary School Principal recommendation and primary school data, which are used to determine the class and to ensure the selection process is fair and reliable.

How do I apply?

Print and complete the 'Asquith Boys High School - Enrichment Class Application Form' and attach the required supporting documentation in a display folder. **Submit this application to Asquith Boys High School by Friday 13th December** (Week 9 of Term 4). **DO NOT** submit this application to your primary school.

Applications will be accepted after this date, however, as there may be no vacancies in the class, students may be placed on the waiting list.

When will I find out whether my child has been successful in their application?

Local Enrolments - You will receive notification of your placement in the Asquith Boys High School - Enrichment Class during Week 10 of Term 4 2019.

Non – local Enrolments - You will receive notification of your placement in the Asquith Boys High School - Enrichment Class during Week 10 of Term 1 2020.

Parents are requested to contact the school to accept or decline this position by Friday 7th February, 2020 for **Local** and Friday 1st May, 2020 for **Non-local** enrolments. Students may be placed on a waiting list. For those enrolments, confirmation of placement may be sent at any stage a place becomes available in 2020.

What should my child's Portfolio include?

It is important to include the following:

- Application Form (included) pages 1-3;
- Semester 1 and 2 (if it has been issued) report from Year 5;
- A piece of Year 5 writing of which your child is proud. Include an explanation of what the text was eg: a class test, an assignment, a polished piece etc.

You may also wish to include:

- One other piece of Year 5 work eg: a Mathematics test if your child is good at Maths;
- Certificates from Mathematics, English, Science, Spelling etc UNSW competitions
- Any external certificates eq. Music examinations

Please do not submit original items, only submit copies.

Also, be advised that further information may be requested by the Asquith Boys High School panel to assist in the selection process.

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Will my child be disadvantaged if they are not selected for the enrichment class?

No, all of Year 7 have many opportunities open to them including leadership teams, debating and speaking teams, Concert band, to name a few.

Will my child remain in the class all year?

Class placement is reviewed every semester. If a child is not happy or progressing appropriately, an interview with the Year Adviser may determine whether a more appropriate placing can be found in another class. Similarly, students in the mixed ability classes may be demonstrating high levels of achievement and may be better placed in the enrichment class.

What if I am undecided?

Fill in the form, talk to your primary school teacher and make your decision after this. You know your child better than others. Consider their attitude to learning and whether they are better off working in a more competitive environment and enjoy the challenge of higher order thinking and faster pace of learning.

What is the selection process?

The Enrichment Panel from our school will look at the portfolio that you have submitted and, if needed, seek clarification from your child's primary school. The panel will decide whether this class would be the most appropriate environment for your child.

What if I have more questions?

Contact Stuart Robertson (<u>stuart.robertson2@det.nsw.edu.au</u>) – Gifted and Talented Coordinator or Lauren Simms (lauren.simms@det.nsw.edu.au) – Enrolment officer 9477 3508.

We look forward to receiving your application and welcoming you to our school community.

Yours sincerely,

Bryce Grant Principal



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2021 ENRICHMENT CLASS APPLICATION FORM

Name of student:		
Mailing address:		
Enrolment Area:	○ Local	O Non-Local
Name of Parent/Guardian:		
Home phone number:		
Mobile phone number:		
Email address:		
Primary school attending:		
Primary School Principal :		
Current class teacher:		

To be completed by the PARENT/ GUARDIAN

Please answer the following questions in the spaces provided.

1. Particular areas of talent observed (please tick all that apply for your child)

Reading	Problem solving	Superior vocabulary	Writing
Mathematical	Sciences	Leadership	Interpersonal Skills
Artistic	Languages	Musical	Drama
Humanities	Creative Thinking	Physical skill	ICT Skills
Independent Worker	Critical thinker	Debating	Fast learner



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2.	Why do you believe that your child will benefit from the Asquith Boys High School Enrichment class experience?
3.	Detail any information that you feel will help decide whether your son's placement in this class will be appropriate eg. Special talents or gifts, outstanding performances



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To be completed by the **STUDENT**

1.	What are your interests?
2.	At school what are the things that you do best? Explain why you do well in these areas.
3.	What extra-curricular activities do you do at school? Eg Peer support, band, sports
4.	What extra-curricular activities do you do out of school? Eg. Music, sport, drama