



## SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS OPEN

Dear parent/carers,

Selective high schools cater for high-potential and academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods.

### Where are they located?

There are 47 selective high schools for Year 7 entry in NSW with:

- 17 selective high schools
- 25 partially selective high schools
- 4 agricultural selective high schools (3 that offer boarding)
- Aurora College, for rural and remote students available in 182 authorised host schools.

### Is a selective high school the right fit for my child?

If your child learns quickly, asks complex questions, has a good memory or is intensely focused in their area of interest, then a selective high school might be a great fit. Discuss the opportunity with your child and look through the information together on Selective high schools – Year 7 and in the new student resource hub.

### The application process

Complete the online application. Applications close on 20 November 2023. Once the application has been submitted and processed your child will be allocated to a test centre to sit the Selective High School Placement Test on 9 May 2024. Selective high school places are offered based on students' test performance (academic merit).

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2025, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address). Detailed instructions on how to apply and the link to the online form are at the Selective high schools and opportunity classes Year 7 website - <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7/information-for-applicants>

Applications opened on **9 October 2023** and close on **20 November 2023**. You must apply before the closing date. You must submit only ONE application for each student.

The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on **Thursday 9 May 2024**.

Placement of students in selective high schools in Year 7 is administered by the Selective Education Unit. The Selective Education Unit can be contacted on 1300 880 367. Alternatively, Mrs Poole may be able to assist with queries and can be contacted through the school office.

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