

Report of academic merit

for interstate and overseas applicants for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in

2025

Use this form if your child:

- is a citizen of Australia or New Zealand or a permanent resident of Australia who usually lives in NSW but is temporarily living interstate or overseas, and
- is unable to take the Selective High School Placement Test in NSW.

Completing the forms

Forms to complete	Who	What	Comments
Application	Parent [^]	Apply for placement online by 20 November 2023 at: https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7	
Report of academic merit	Parent	Complete page 2 of this form.	
	Registered psychologist or other practitioner qualified to administer an individual IQ test.	Complete page 3 of this form.	Parents arrange for a WISC V individual IQ test to be administered. Attach the full report.
	Registered psychologist (as above) or accredited teacher.	Complete page 4 of this form.	Parents arrange for administration of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standardised test of English comprehension • Standardised test of mathematics • Supervised unseen writing task in English.
Apply for placement online by 20 November 2023 . Upload this report and other supporting evidence to your application as soon as possible but no later than test day 9 May 2024 .			

- [^]‘Parent’ is defined under the Education Act 1990 as ‘a guardian or other person having custody or care of a child’.
- Where parents of students selected for entry to a selective high school continue to live interstate after the 2025 school year begins, the students will be considered for entry to a selective high school only after all eligible candidates from NSW have been placed. Students must be living in a rural area of NSW if applying for Aurora College.
- If you currently live outside NSW but intend to bring your child to NSW to sit the test you do not need to complete this form. You need to complete the online application and explain your plans to the Selective Education Unit. You will be asked to name your preferred location for a test centre in NSW when applying. Provide both a NSW address and local and interstate or overseas contact details.
- This Report of academic merit is not an application for placement. It is supporting information for your application.
- A selection committee will consider the information you provide and may request further information or testing.

Contact details

Contact us by messaging through your application dashboard after you have applied for placement.

Selective Education Unit

NSW Department of Education

Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au Website: education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc

Applicant Details - For use by interstate and overseas applicants for Year 7 entry in 2025

Student's details

Student's family name: _____
Given Names: _____
Date of Birth: _____
School attended currently: _____

Current address (interstate or overseas)

Number and Street: _____
Suburb, town or city: _____
Country: _____
Email: _____
Approximate date the student will be returning to New South Wales: _____

Student's New South Wales address (if known)

Number and Street: _____
Suburb, town or city: _____
Postcode: _____
OR Intended residential area: _____
Telephone number: _____
Email: _____

New South Wales Contact Person (if applicable and available) with whom a message may be left

Contact person's name: _____
Relationship to applicant: _____
Number and Street: _____
Suburb, town or city: _____
Post code: _____
Telephone number: _____
Email: _____
Parent's name: _____
Parent's signature: _____
Date: _____

Your child's application number is shown in your application dashboard. Please write that number in the following boxes:

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Individual test of IQ

To be completed by a registered psychologist or other qualified practitioner.

Psychologist or qualified practitioner's details

Psychologist's family name: _____

Given names: _____

Position/title: _____

Business address: _____

Suburb, town or city: _____

Country: _____

Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Qualifications and name of professional association(s) and/or society(ies) with which the psychologist is registered: _____

Version of WISC V (e.g. UK or USA) and language used. Please contact the Team before conducting any other type of IQ test.	
Date administered	
Full scale IQ score*	

* This should be expressed as a number, e.g. 120. Percentile ranks or descriptions cannot be used for the purpose of selective high school placement.

Please attach a full psychologist's report. Additional material may be included if relevant.

Language used for the test (if not English the report must be officially translated before uploading):

Practitioner's signature: _____

Registration number: _____

Date: _____

Note: Parents must identify a suitably qualified psychologist. The Unit cannot provide recommendations.

Standardised testing of reading and mathematics and supervised writing task

To be completed by a registered psychologist or accredited teacher, using the English language.

Test administrator's identification details

(This may be different from the person who administered the test of general ability).

Test administrator's family name: _____

Given names: _____

Position/title: _____

Address: _____

Suburb, town or city: _____

Country: _____

Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Qualifications and name of professional association(s) and/or accreditation body(ies) with which the test administrator is registered (if relevant): _____

Standardised test details

	READING	MATHEMATICS
Specific test used e.g. WIAT-III or WIAT-IV or PAT Maths and PAT Reading		
Date administered		
Results		

Writing task

Administer a writing task. The topic should specify a purpose and audience and must be new to the student at the time of writing. It must be set and supervised by the person administering the standardised tests.

Allow the student 30 minutes to complete the task in English. No extra time is to be allowed for planning.

The task is to be supervised and certified by the administrator as the student's own unassisted writing. Please sign and date each written page of the student's writing. The certified original must be attached to this form.

Note: Offers will be withdrawn if based on false or misleading information.

Comments: (if applicable) _____

Test administrator's role and institution: _____

Test administrator's signature: _____

Date: _____