

Sydney Sydney Secondary College Balmain Campus Secondary Enrichment Program College Year 7 2025 Selection Process

Sydney Secondary College Balmain Campus provides an enriched environment with stimulating intellectual challenges and opportunities for our students to turn their gifts into talents. Sydney Secondary College Balmain Campus has been recognised for many of its initiatives including our programs catering to the specific needs of gifted and talented students. Through specifically targeted programs, our highly qualified staff enrich our students academically, in sport and through the creative and performing arts.

Important Dates:

5 April 2024 Enrichment Application Form due (applications will not be accepted after this date)

3 May 2024 Academic Enrichment Class Testing

13 May 2024 Selection interviews/trials/auditions commence for Creativity Enrichment and TAP programs

20 May 2024 Selection interview commence for the Academic Enrichment Class this week

Academic Enrichment Class

Students are placed in the Academic Enrichment class based on academic merit in areas such as English, Science, History, Geography, LOTE, Mathematics and Technology. In year 7 students are placed according to an academic assessment. The focus of the class is on embedding the use of emerging technologies while providing real world, project-based learning opportunities that enrich and extend the students.

Entry requirements for this class:

- 1. Submission of this Application Form and portfolio by 5th April 2024. The portfolio can include school reports and achievements, literacy and numeracy testing results, a creative writing sample and evidence of talent in a particular area.
- 2. Attendance at the Academic Enrichment Class Testing on 3 May 2024.
- 3. Based on the results of the Academic testing and portfolio, successful applicants will be called for interview commencing the week of the 13 May 2024. Students are required to discuss their portfolio at this interview.

Creativity Enrichment Class

Students are placed in the Creativity Enrichment Class based on the demonstration of a talent and interest in Visual Arts, Drama, Music and Design. The school will provide an enriched creative and performing arts program leading to enhanced learning outcomes, developing and enhancing student's current skills and exhibiting their work both in school and the wider community. This is a separate program to the College Instrumental Music Program (IMP).

Entry requirements for this class:

- 1. Submission of this Application Form and portfolio of work/evidence of their creative and performing arts experiences demonstrating their ability and interest by the 5 April 2024.
- 2. Successful applicants will be called for interview/audition commencing the week of the 13 May 2024. At the audition/interview, students are required to discuss their portfolio of work/evidence of their creative and performing arts experiences, demonstrating their ability and interest.

Talented Athlete Program

The Talented Athlete Program is aimed at talented sports people. The program delivers opportunities for students to develop skills related to their sport, fitness training, monitoring of development, nutritional and motivational sessions with opportunities for students to participate in representative sport at all levels. Students are required to attend before school training sessions as part of this program. Selective students can apply.

Entry requirements for this program:

- 1. Submission of this Application Form and portfolio demonstrating their ability and level of representation in their sport/s by 5 April 2024.
- Applicants will be called for trials/interviews commencing the week of the 13 May 2024. At this interview, students are required to discuss their portfolio which demonstrates their ability and interest in the sporting program.

Please note: Enrichment applications will only be accepted for students residing within the local catchment for SSC Balmain. In addition to this application form, all applicants are required to complete the DoE High School Expression of Interest Form. All applications will be reviewed by the Balmain Campus Enrolment Committee in line with the Sydney Secondary College Enrolment Policy. A copy of the enrolment policy is available from our school website. The waitlist for placement will be utilised until the end of Term 1 2025. Portfolios are unable to be returned following submission. Please include copies/photographs rather than originals.



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Application Form

I would I	like to submit ar	application for the:	
	Academic Enrichment Class		
	Creativity Enricl	nment Class	
	Talented Athlete	e Program	
Please note: It is possible to apply for more than one of these programs			
Student Information			
Surname			
Given Name			
Date of Birth			
Current School			
Local High School			
Parent / Caregiver Information			
Parent	/ Caregiver		
Home A	Address		
Email A	Address		
Telepho	one Number		
Please provide details of your child's achievements in the nominated area/s: Academic, Sport, Creative and Performing Arts			

Please list any school based awards / achievements
Please list any external awards / achievements
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Has your child been involved in formal or informal leadership roles?
Describe your child's attitude toward learning
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Is there anything else you would like us to know about your child? Eg. Personal characteristics that may support this application.
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