

## Kalamunda Senior High School An Independent Public School

## Academic Excellence Program



Learning - Respect - Resilience - Pride - Community

## The Kalamunda Senior High School Academic Excellence Program

is designed to not only develop academic talent but also leadership, resilience and persistence, and to enhance each student's ability to achieve success at school and beyond.



Students are initially chosen to enter the program through testing for Year 6 students. However, any student attending Kalamunda Senior High School is eligible to be considered for entry throughout their time at the school provided they meet the program's entry criteria. This involves being above average academic ability in the

academic learning areas of English, Mathematics, Science and Humanities and being recommended by their teachers.

Academic Excellence students are Resilient, pursue a Love of Learning and take Pride in their achievements, all core values of the school.

Throughout Years 7 to 9 students remain together as a cohesive group for English, Mathematics, Science and Humanities. They combine with other students in their year group for all other subjects.

The Year 10 AE Program is expanded to four individual academic classes. The highest performing Year 9 students will be invited to join the program for the subject in which they excel.

The school and teachers within the program have high expectations of students in the program. Their progress



and behaviour is closely monitored. Students falling below the expected standards undergo a review and consultation process to provide support in meeting these high standards and in some cases may be considered best placed in mainstream classes. Places may then be offered to other students in the year group who are demonstrating that they meet the entry criteria.

Each students the vear in program attend excursions and incursions to devolp leadership, self confidence skills. These include visits Universities problem-solving to giving students an insight into possible future studies and university life.

Students in the Program are also encouraged to be involved in opportunities available outside of the normal school program, for example The Premier's ANZAC Student Tour Awards, The Science Experience, The Science and Engineering Challenge, Murdoch University Science & Engineering Summer School as well as academic competitions.

At the end of Year 10 a graduation ceremony is held to celebrate with and congratulate the Academic Excellence students.



Applications close last day of Term 1 and full details and application forms can be found on the school website.



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