



## Year 7 High Potential and Gifted Education Program Extension Class Nomination Information – 2027

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

We would like to invite you to submit additional information about your child for us to use in selecting students for our High Potential and Gifted Education (HPGE) extension class for Year 7 2027.

The HPGE extension class is designed to stimulate the interests and abilities of our capable students, supporting them to engage in learning to maximise their potential. We aim to create a challenging differentiated learning environment that encourages students to strive towards the development of their abilities, promoting creativity and higher order thinking skills.

### Goals of the Program:

- to provide a challenging curriculum and enriching educational environment that extends and supports capable students, intellectually and socially, to develop to their full potential
- to differentiate the curriculum at a pace and depth appropriate to the capabilities of high potential learners
- to provide a learning environment that encourages divergent, critical and creative thinking
- to develop student self-understanding and metacognition

### Identification:

The identification of students for our HPGE extension class is based upon a range of measures. This process includes procedures for identifying students who demonstrate, or have the potential to demonstrate, exceptional performance in one or more talent areas. In identifying students for our Year 7 program, we will use HPGE test results, parent and student nomination, primary school reports and NAPLAN data.

Applicants for the extension class will undertake a test developed and marked by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER).

The test is 50 minutes duration and aims to:

- Identify individual strengths and weaknesses
- Identify a student's ability to think critically and apply higher order thinking skills

Registrations close 3:00pm Thursday 12 March 2026.

Test will be held at Port Hacking High School, students are to arrive at 1:00pm Thursday 19 March 2026.

### To nominate your child:

Nominations for the test are due to Port Hacking HS via email or in person by **3:00pm, Thursday 12 March 2026**. A nomination form is attached and is also available on our website. A confirmation email will be sent to registered students on Monday 16 March 2026. If you do not receive an email, please contact the school.

If you wish to attach additional information, such as last two school reports, NAPLAN or achievements in extra-curricular activities, please provide them with your nomination form. Please provide copies of these, not originals.



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To Strive is to Achieve

Late registrations and application documentation will not be accepted.

We look forward to welcoming your child to Port Hacking High School. Please direct any enquiries to Belinda Stone, Deputy Principal – 9524 8816 or [porthackin-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:porthackin-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au).

Best regards

Mr Rick Turansky  
Principal

Ms Belinda Stone  
Deputy Principal



## Year 7 High Potential and Gifted Program Parent and Student Nomination Form

### Family Contact Details:

#### Parent/caregiver details:

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Student Details:

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/caregiver nomination information:

Characteristic (tick the box that applies)	Most of the time	Some of the time	Rarely
<b>My child:</b>			
Recalls facts easily			
Expresses himself/herself fluently in speech and writing			
Always asks questions			
Strong sense of humour			
Finds unusual uses for things / can be crafty			
Tends to lead / initiate activities			
Curiosity			
Long attention span			
Easily bored			
Avid reader			
Thinks logically			
Communicates well with other children and adults			
Creative thinking			
Independent learner			
Concerned about world issues			



## Additional Details:

1. What type of reading material does your child prefer?

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2. Does your child have any unusual interests? If so, what are they?

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3. Describe your child's strengths.

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4. What activities does your child participate in outside of school hours?

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5. How would you describe your child's current academic progress? Refer to any particular achievements.

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6. Is your child or has your child been involved in an extension, enrichment or other gifted and talented program at school or outside school? If so, please provide details.

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Please add any additional comments that may be relevant.

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## Student Self-Nomination: (to be completed by the student)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. In which areas do you have ability, strength or special talent? (Tick all that apply)**

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> General intellectual ability | <input type="checkbox"/> Music      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maths                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Drama      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Dance      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies (HSIE)        | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Languages                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Art        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reading                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Sport      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Writing                      |                                     |

**2. Why are you good at the areas you ticked? Describe any work you have done, books you have read or other activities that may explain why you are good at those areas.**

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**3. What book are you reading now?**

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**4. What is your favourite subject? \_\_\_\_\_**

**5. When you're not at school, what do you spend your time doing?**

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**6. Please tell us anything else about you that you think we should know to support your application.**

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