

Albany Creek State High School Arts Excellence Program

As part of Albany Creek State High School commitment to improve student outcomes and build a world class learning organisation, we have been accredited as an Excellence School in the Arts - Production and Performance. This excellence program will be offered to students entering Year 7, 8 and 9 in 2016. This program is in addition to our timetabled arts classes offered to all students in Years 7 to 12 at ACSHS.

ARTS EXCELLENCE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. What happens at the audition?

A. Students will participate in an arts class (Dance, Drama, Instrumental Music, Art) and be observed and tested according to their talent, potential, attitudes and behaviours to the arts area they are trying out for. The intention is for students to actively participate in the workshop and demonstrate their ability in the chosen arts area.

Q. Can I audition for more than one excellence program in the Arts?

A. Yes, students can attend more than one audition but will only be selected for one of the four arts programs. If a student is offered more than one option the Head of Department the Arts will negotiate with the student and parent.

Q. When will I find out if I am in the Arts Excellence Program?

A. In writing within two weeks of the audition.

Q. Am I able to try out again if I do not get into the first round?

A. Yes, there will be a second round of auditions held on **1st December, 2015 between 1.30 – 2.30pm** after the orientation day at the High School.

Q. If I play an instrument in primary school do I continue in the Instrumental Music Program in High School?

A. Yes, all students that are currently learning an instrument in the Primary School will continue with lessons and ensembles when they are in High School. The Education Queensland Instrumental Music Program is from Years 4 to 12 and all students continue in Year 7 at ACSHS. The Arts Excellence Instrumental Music Program is in addition to the EQ program and provides an opportunity for talented music students to perform in an elite performance ensemble. Time will be allocated to the music excellence students during the school timetable.

Q. What level in Dance is recommended, do I need to have done Classical Ballet?

A. It is highly recommended that students have classical ballet training and indicate on their application the level of dance they have achieved at this stage.

Q. Does the High School have a Choir?

A. Yes, the school choir is offered as an after school program for students in Years 7 to 12 for all students. Students accepted in the excellence program are able to attend at no cost.

Q. Do I need to submit a folio for Art?

A. Students will participate in a practical art workshop and are welcome to bring additional artwork to support application. This artwork will be colour photocopied by the art teacher on the day and original artworks will go home with students.

Q. What happens in the Drama audition?

A. Students auditioning for a position in the Drama program will be required to prepare an audition monologue learnt from memory, participate in improvisation and small group work. Monologues will be emailed to drama applicants when paperwork is received by the high school.

Q. When is the first round of auditions?

A. All auditions will be held at the High School during the week 9th - 12th June, 2015.

- DRAMA - Tuesday 9th June 2015, in XPAC at 3.30pm to 4.30pm. (wear comfortable clothing)
- INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC – Wednesday 10th June, 2014 in the Music Centre at 3.30pm to 4.30pm. (bring instrument and tutor book)
- VISUAL ART – Thursday 11th June in E Block at 3.30pm to 4.30pm. (bring artwork if available)
- DANCE – Friday 12th June 2015, in XPAC at 3.30pm to 4.30pm. (wear Dance tights/shorts, t-shirt/leotard and drink bottle)