

Mission Statement

To be the school of choice for academically talented students in our community. We will achieve this by providing students with an opportunity to extend and challenge their learning in a range of studies and offering a broad range of extra-curricular programs to stimulate students' interests.

What is the Purpose of the Program?

The program aims to provide your child with the opportunity to:

- Be in a class with like-minded students, motivated to achieving their very best
- The possibility to participate in an accelerated learning program which increases the pace at which certain subjects are taught
- Complete additional VCE units of study leading to an increased ATAR score
- Complete a University Enhancement Study during Year 12
- Develop their skills in an inclusive, supportive and stimulating environment
- Establish high level leadership qualities in their personal, educational and vocational endeavours

What Makes the SEAL Program Unique?

- An accelerated and challenging curriculum allowing students to undertake additional VCE units of study
- Opportunities to engage in deeper learning and extend their critical thinking skills with likeminded peers

How is the Program Structured?

Year 7 and 8

- Students will undertake an accelerated learning program in Maths and Science
- Students will undertake an enhanced learning program in English, Technology, Humanities and Language
- Students will undertake the mainstream Year 7 and 8 Program in Arts and Health and PE

Year 9

- Students will undertake an accelerated learning program in Maths and Science
- Students will undertake an enhanced learning program in English, Humanities and Language
- Students will participate in the mainstream Year 9 Elective Program

Year 10

- *Please note: subject to Course Counselling discussion and potential changes*
- Students may commence VCE units of study
- Students will undertake an enhanced learning program in English (Full Year) and SEAL Extended Thinking elective (One Semester)
- Students will undertake year-long study in Mathematics (SEAL Methods or VCE Mathematics, if appropriate)
- Students will undertake at least one semester of a Humanities subject (either Elective or VCE)
- Students will undertake at least one Science subject each semester (either Elective or VCE)
- Students will participate in the all mainstream Year 10 Elective Program

Year 11

- Students will undertake up to 6 VCE units of study including a combination of Unit 1 and 2 (Year 11), Unit 3 and 4 (Year 12) and VET studies

Year 12

- Students will undertake up to 5 VCE units of study including a combination of Unit 3 and 4 (Year 12), University Enhancement and VET studies

Please Note: When a student reaches Year 10 there are options for the student to meet their individual learning needs. The extent of acceleration, and the subject areas accelerated are tailored to the performance and tertiary pathway of each student and determined through extensive course direction with the Later Years Team.

What are the Expectations of Students in the Program?

Expectations are high for students in the SEAL Program. Your child will be expected to:

- Conduct themselves in a manner that meets the College's rules and expectations
- Remain up to date with all of their classwork and be prepared to complete all assessment tasks as per the College Assessment Schedule
- Participate in extra-curricular activities
- Maintain acceptable results in their Interim and Semester Reports across all subjects. This will be based on an individual basis and will be at the discretion of SEAL Program Staff and Principal Team. Students will be expected to demonstrate genuine effort in all aspects of their schooling
- Maintain 90% attendance to all classes

How are Students Assessed Throughout the Program?

Students will be assessed in each of the subjects by their individual teachers. Assessment takes various forms and may include:

- Validation Tests
- Common Assessment Tasks (CATs)
- Examinations
- Self-Reflection practice
- Formative Assessment task.

Are There Any Fees Associated with the Program?

Cost of **SEAL application test is \$110** (this is a non-refundable fee).

There are no additional fees for students who participate in the SEAL Program. However, it is expected that all students will have access to their own laptop for use at school as per the College's Acceptable Use Agreement and BYOD Policy.

Application Process

All students wishing to apply for entry into this program will need to be aware of the following information in conjunction with the Year 7 2021 Specialised Program Application Process:

- Priority enrolments are provided to students within our current School Zone as set out by the Department of Education and Training. We foresee that students within our school zone or with older siblings enrolled for 2021 will most likely bring the school to full capacity in Year 7 for 2021. Those outside our school zone, are still invited to attend the Transition Evening for more information, however due to restricted numbers enrolments are unlikely to be successful. **This applies to all students, including those wishing to apply for special curriculum programs (SEAL, ADP, MDP)**
- Please refer to our webpage: <http://www.kambryacollege.com/year-7-special-programs-application/> for further information

The Special Programs application process for SEAL is listed below:

Stage 1:

- Online Expression of Interest form to be completed
Provide a copy of GRADE 5 NAPLAN results via email to: Rosetta.Serra@education.vic.gov.au
***Proof of Residence validation as per the EOI form
Please **do not** submit written references or school reports
- Online Edutest registration and payment is required to sit the SEAL entrance exam. Please refer to our webpage (as per below) note that the online Edutest registration closes **by May 29th 2020** (*failure to complete Edutest online registration and fee payment on time, will result in your child not being able to sit the SEAL entrance exam for our college*)

The Application Process including the Expression of Interest form and Edutest online registration will be available on our webpage from April 2nd 2020 at: <http://www.kambryacollege.com/year-7-special-programs-application/>

- Submit online application to Kambrya College, and email all relevant documentation as per special program requirements **no later than May 29th 2020** – online Edutest registration and payment **closes May 29th 2020**
- **Late Applications will not be accepted**
- Sit the SEAL entrance exam Testing for SEAL will be held at Kambrya College on a date to be determined. All applicants will be advised. Exam will commence at 9.00am (sharp). Exam will conclude at 12.00pm (sharp)
 - Registration Opens at 8:00am
 - Exam will commence at 9:00am (**sharp**)
 - Exam will conclude at 12:00pm (**sharp**)

Please note: children are to be collected promptly after the conclusion of the examination by 12.15pm at the latest.

Stage 2:

- Applicants will be shortlisted once the Edutest entrance exam results are received by the college to enter Stage 3
- Applicants not shortlisted will be notified in writing via email
- College decisions are final.

Stage 3:

- Shortlisted applicants will attend a group interview which will be held on a date to be determined. Shortlisted applicants will be advised.
- Shortlisted applicants will receive an email outlining interview times, location and required documents

Stage 4:

- After the group interviews, Kambrya College will notify shortlisted applicants if they are successful or unsuccessful in obtaining a place in the SEAL program by email or post on a date to be confirmed.
- College decisions are final. Only those living within the school zone with valid proof of residence documentation will be accepted

Stage 5:

- Successful applicants will be required to return their Yr. 7 Special Program Acceptance Form by date to be confirmed and change their Application for Year 7 Placement form (through child's Primary School) to identify Kambrya College as their first preference (if applicable). Your child's place will not be kept if we do not receive the acceptance form by the due date
- Successful applicants who decline their offer will be removed from the program and their place will be taken up by another student where applicable

Timelines and application process will be made available at the information session, as well as the College website: <http://www.kambryacollege.com/year-7-special-programs-application/>