Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL)Program - Information For Parents

Thank you for your interest in applying for the SEAL program at Gladstone Park Secondary for 2016. The school has worked with Edutest to design a series of tests to identify students who are suitable for the programme. *Only students who are currently in Grade 6 may apply.*

NOTE: If your child has applied for other programs which use Edutest, it is only necessary to sit the test at one school only. It is your choice as to which school you sit the test. Variations in charges for the Edutest are a result of schools charging administrative fees. If you have applied for SEAL programs which use other testing providers (eg ACER), their test results are not made available to us. Sometimes there is a clash of times with the testing that takes place. If so, we can make provisions for your child to sit the GPSC test at a later date (usually after school at GPSC in the week after the Saturday test).

In 2015, the following selection procedures will be used to identify students for the 2016 Year 7 intake:

- Tests administered by Edutest on <u>Saturday May 9 at 9:30am</u> at Gladstone Park Secondary College.
- 2. Interviews with shortlisted applicants and their parents/guardians.
- 3. Information obtained from shortlisted applicants and their teachers.

You must apply on-line for the testing at:

https://www.edutest.com.au/edutest/Schol2Entry1.asp?ScholRecID=973

The closing date for the application is <u>Friday May 1</u>. You will need a credit card and an email account to do this.

Testing of your child will take place at Gladstone Park Secondary College on Saturday 9 May at 9:30am. Children should report at 9:10am to the main office. Parents should be prepared to collect the children at 12.30 pm.

What to bring:

Children should bring a snack, two blue or black pens, two 2HB or 4B pencils, a pencil sharpener and an eraser. No other items may be taken into the testing room. Parents are not permitted in the testing room, however they may stay in the main staffroom if they wish. Mobile phones are not permitted.

SEAL Information session:

A SEAL information session will take place at our <u>Information Evening on Wednesday April 29</u> at 7:00pm in the Performing Arts Centre.

Further information

- Candidates who have not tested elsewhere may sit the test at Gladstone Park on May 9
- Shortlisted applicants will be called in for an interview
- First Round offers will be made by phone and confirmed by mail
- Updated information will be available via the school website www.gladstoneparksc.vic.edu.au

If you have any queries, please contact the school during school hours on 9933 0500.

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