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Enhanced Curriculum Option



The Enhanced Curriculum Option is designed to cater for the educational needs of students with higher ability who are motivated and enthusiastic learners and capable of working at a significantly faster pace and in greater depth than their age peers. The ECO class is able to cover the curriculum in greater depth and breadth – providing for enrichment and greater challenge. ECO students are actively involved in investigating, problem solving as well as higher order thinking activities that are complex, meaningful and challenging.

Each ECO entry group will stay together for the first three years of their secondary schooling. Teachers develop an effective classroom environment through knowing all students as people as well as learners; enabling the development of an effective learning community.

Selection Process

Any student who has indicated Newcomb Secondary College as their first or second preference for secondary school can be considered as a potential applicant for the ECO program.

ECO students are selected on the basis of an Expression of Interest supported by a written recommendation from their primary school teacher. An Expression of Interest form should be returned to the College no later than Monday, 31st August.

Selection of students for the ECO program will be undertaken by the Junior School Support Team including the Assistant Principal. The selection process may require further discussion with the student's Primary School and the potential of an interview with the students and their parent/s. This information will be used to select the students we believe will be best equipped to benefit from the ECO Program.

Placement in the ECO Program is a privilege- students are expected to make a genuine commitment. They will be expected to work hard, try their best at all times and demonstrate respect toward teachers and fellow students. Inappropriate behaviour would jeopardise a student's place in the program. Students are able to return to a mainstream class if this is deemed desirable.



Expression of Interest Year 7 2021

STUDENT NAME

First Name Surname

GENDER Male Female **AGE:**

CURRENT SCHOOL DETAILS

Primary School

Grade 6 Teacher

Please indicate if NSC is your first or second preference for Secondary School

First Preference Second Preference

HOME CONTACT DETAILS

Parent/Guardian Name

Address

Telephone Home..... Mobile

Telephone Work:

Email

I give permission for Newcomb Secondary College to access all relevant information regarding my child from their Primary School.

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent Signature

Please return this Expression of Interest to Newcomb Secondary College ASAP