Placement Test for the Year 7 Enrichment Class 2014

Thank you for your enquiry regarding our Placement Test for the Year 7 Enrichment class 2014.

The educational experiences of students at Asquith Boys High School will result in the development of young men who are independent and responsible learners and leaders. The school is committed to recognising and catering to students’ different learning styles.

In 2009 as part of this commitment, an Enrichment class in Year 7 was formed to address the needs of gifted and talented students through a specific curriculum designed to extend and challenge students. Entry to this class is via a placement test designed to identify gifted and talented students and provide a baseline profile of student achievement. Asquith Boys High school is a comprehensive school. The establishment of this class is a school based enrichment initiative and does not constitute entry to a government selective high school.

Asquith Boys has a very strong academic program with outcomes in outstanding value added results in Years 7 & 9 NAPLAN and at the Higher School Certificate, for example:

- 2012 Year 9 NAPLAN results showed Asquith Boys was significantly above State Average for boys in the Highest 2 bands for all areas of Literacy and Numeracy.

- 2012 NAPLAN results in Literacy are over 2% above State Average for all students (which include girls and selective school students)

- Asquith Boys was significantly above state average in adding value to students learning in all areas of the 2012 HSC Results. Asquith Boys has consistently been one of the top schools in the region for lifting boy’s results over the last decade.

The placement test is produced and marked in conjunction with Educational Assessment Australia (EAA), a part of UNSW. It provides an independent and objective measure of student achievement towards the end of primary school. The test can provide information on the strengths of students in the areas of English, Mathematics, Science and Writing.
Students will need to bring pencils, rubber and ruler for the exam in a clear plastic bag. We also suggest they bring a jumper and a light snack.

The duration of the morning is 3 hours, which includes rest breaks, and comprises the following subtests:

**English and Mathematics** – 40 multiple choice questions each exam - 40 marks each exam  
**Writing** 300-400 words over 30 minutes, 20 marks

The test cost is $35 and it will be held on Saturday 9 March 2012 in the hall at Asquith Boys High School. The test begins at 9.20am; however students are expected to assemble at the hall by 9am for registration and briefing.

Parents will be notified by the school of successful entry to the Enrichment class once the reports have been received from the EAA.

If you are interested in your son/ward being part of this Enrichment class for 2014, please complete the application form and return it, along with $35, to Asquith Boys High School by Thursday 28 February 2013. Payment can be made by cash (in person), cheque or credit card (included with the application).

Yours sincerely,

T. Griffiths  
PRINCIPAL

Stuart Robertson  
ENRICHMENT CLASS CO-ORDINATOR

February 2013
Application for Placement Test for Year 7 Enrichment Class 2014

$35 application fee must accompany each application

Please complete this application form and return it along with the cash (in person), cheque or credit card (see over) for $35 to Asquith Boys High School by Thursday 28 February 2013 to secure your son’s place in the school’s Enrichment Class test.

**Please complete fully in clear PRINT**

I would like my son/ward ___________________________ to participate in

Student first name ___________________________ Surname ___________________________

Asquith Boys High School Placement Test on Saturday, 9 March 2013.

Parent/Carers Name: __________________________________________________________________

Home Address: ____________________________________________________________ __________________________

___________________________________________ Postcode __________________________

Home Phone: ___________________________ Mobile: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

My son’s school is: __________________________________________________________________

- I am considering Asquith Boys High School as an option for my son/ward in Year 7, 2014
  - YES    - UNSURE

Students will be supervised by experienced Teachers.

- I understand that I need to organise transport to and from the Asquith Boys High School and be ready to collect my son/ward by 12noon.

Parent/Carers Signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________

Optional Section

To help us in our communications with our community could you please answer the following question?

How did you find out about the Placement Test?

Newspaper advertising ☐             Word of mouth ☐

From your primary school ☐             Other ..........................................................

Principal: Terry Griffiths
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☐ Cheque enclosed - please make cheque payable to Asquith Boys High School

or

☐ I would like to pay the amount of $......... by credit card (fill in details below if posting or phone the school on 9477 3508)

Student's Name: …………………………………………………
Current Primary School: …………………………………………………

Name on card (please print): ………………………………………………………………………
Address: ……………………………………………………………………………………………

Type of card: ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard
Card Expiry Date: …... /……

CARD NUMBER:

Signature: ……………………………………………………..         Date: ………………………