YEAR 7 EXCEL APPLICATION FORM



Mathematics and Science eXcel has been tailored to meet the needs of students who have demonstrated a very high level of capacity in the areas of Mathematics and Science. In Mathematics, students are progressed to the next year of study to facilitate the start of Year 11 Mathematical Methods in Year 10. In Science, across Years 7 – 9, students will complete the ACARA achievement standards for Years 7 – 10 cumulatively to facilitate the start of one of Year 11 Biology, Chemistry, Physics or Psychology in Year 10. It is intended to provide students with opportunities in both Mathematics and Science to engage in S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) programs. This could include experiences such as Robotics, Experience University Program at QUT, Investigation of Fresh Water Ecosystems for advanced students at Toohey Forest EEC (based at Griffith University) and SPARQ-Ed at the Transitional Research Institute (where students undertake investigations involving cancer cell research, engage in advanced studies of genetics at the QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute, amongst a range of other contemporary and challenging programs). S.T.E.M. opportunities are nominated as they become available and could vary from year to year.

To be eligible for entry to this program, students must be able to demonstrate their capacity to be highly successful in the areas of Mathematics and Science.

To apply, students must complete the eXcel application form and sit an aptitude test that will be conducted by the school. We endeavour to hold testing before/after school to avoid loss of school curriculum time. Actual days and times will be advised by offer.

Students will be selected based on the following criteria:

- School academic reports and NAPLAN test results
- Primary school recommendation + curriculum reporting results
- Aptitude test results
- Other relevant information e.g. ICAS Mathematics/Science competition results

Should you have any queries, please contact:

- Mr Darren Teale, Mathematics Head of Department, on (07) 3373 4514 or email <u>dteal4@eq.edu.au</u>.
- Ms Elizabeth Nicolson, Science Head of Department, on (07) 3373 4532 or email enico12@eq.edu.au.

<u>Applications must be submitted to Centenary State High School by Friday June 7th, 2024, with accompanying evidence. Please note, this program is subject to availability of vacancies.</u>

The letter offering a place in our e**Xcel** program for 2025 will be sent to the successful applicants by the end of Term 3.

STUDENT DETAILS					
Surname			First Name		
Date of Birth]			
Primary School					
PARENT/CARER CO	ONTACT DETAILS				
Surname			First Name		
Address					
Suburb				Postcode	
Daytime phone		Afte	erhours phone		
Email address					

PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE ATTACHED ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION AS WE ARE UNABLE TO PROCESS APPLICATIONS WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION. ENSURE YOUR STUDENT'S CURRENT SCHOOL HAS SUFFICIENT TIME TO COMPLETE RELEVANT SECTIONS.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Please provide the results for the subjects listed below from the student's two most recent semester reports.

Semester:		Semester:				
Subject 1	English	Result	Subject 1	English	Result	
Subject 2	Mathematics	Result	Subject 2	Mathematics	Result	
Subject 3	Science	Result	Subject 3	Science	Result	
HONOURS AWARDS AND ADDITIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS / EXTRACUBRICULAR ACTIVITIES						

Please list what you consider your most worthy achievements and significant extracurricular activities:

HONOUR OR AWARD	LEVEL REACHED	DATE		
e.g. Piano – AMEB Practice of Music, National Science Competition	e.g. Year 6 3rd in school; Result 40/45	e.g. 2021, 2022		
ACTIVITY, COURSE OR WORKSHOP	DETAILS	DATE ATTENDED		
YEAR 6 TEACHER RECOMMENDATION				

CRITERIA VERIFICATION – STUDENT'S SCHOOL TO COMPLETE

Please tick the following criteria which fulfil the student's nomination for entry into the Centenary State High School **EXCEL** Program:

- □ 90th percentile on any individual or group IQ test
- 90th percentile on a subscale (e.g. verbal performance) of an individual IQ test
- □ High Distinction or Distinction in the Australian Schools Science or Mathematics Competition or similar
- □ Academic results for English, Mathematics and Science as listed above
- ** Documentary evidence for the above items MUST be attached if there is no School Principal signature below.

DECLARATION					
I, (student name), nominate to join the Centenary State High School EXCEL Program.					
Student Signature	Date				
Parent/Carer Signature	Date				
Teacher Signature	Date				
Principal Signature	Date				
	(student name), nominate to join the Centenary Sta Student Signature Parent/Carer Signature Teacher Signature				

Checklist of attachments for the application:

□ I have attached **photocopies** of all <u>relevant school certificates</u>, <u>report cards</u>, <u>awards</u>, <u>etc.</u>, as requested, to support my application for this program.