




Year 7

Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program





We, the staff and students of Warrnambool College, acknowledge that we are learning on the traditional lands of the Peek Whurrong people of the Maar Nation.

We pay our deepest respects to their Elders; past, present and emerging and to their continuing connection to the lands and waterways.

We also extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who gather here.

We stand side by side with our First Nations people and commit to building a brighter future together.



What our students say about SEAL?

- *“I love being challenged in ways that I had not thought possible.”*
- *“My teachers don’t mind me asking lots of questions (even if they don’t always know the answers straight away).”*
- *“I now have friends who are interested in the same things as me.”*
- *“It’s nice not to be different.”*
- *“My teachers understand how I think and learn.”*
- *“SEAL makes school a good place now.”*

Why cater for gifted students?

- To engage high achieving students.
- To set appropriate expectations for all students.
- To prevent underachievement and unnecessary misbehaviour.
- To lift the glass ceiling.
- To provide an environment for deep thinking and learning to occur - students *and* teachers.

But what about mainstream classes?

Why SEAL?

- You enjoy being challenged.
- You want your learning characteristics to be considered and utilised.
- You like exploring issues and concepts with deep meanings.
- You want to be surrounded by others who will push your learning to new personal bests.
- You want more pathway options available in senior secondary.





Only accredited SEAL school in S.W. Victoria



- Continued accountability via accreditation.
- Rigorous selection process via EduTest test and application.

Why SEAL @ WC?

Part of TAASS network of schools

- In Term 3, SEAL students gather in TAASS network to complete gifted learning tasks.
- Sharing of curriculum resources and teacher professional development across TAASS schools.



Why SEAL @ WC?

More than 20 years of running the program

- Constantly refining teacher selection, course structure and curriculum delivery.



Year 7 SEAL Course Structure

Year long subjects:

5 x English 3 x Humanities 4 x Science 3 x Languages
4 x Maths 3 x PE 1 x Health

Semester length subjects:

2 x Drama 2 x Music 3 x Food Studies 3 x Digital Technology
2 x Product Design 2 x Visual Art

6 x 48 minute lessons per day

How Does SEAL compare to SPP or Core?

- Same structure in Year 7 but greater breadth of curriculum
- Same Elev8 and Phoenix themes but greater breadth
- Year 8 electives for SEAL come from Year 9 - even greater breadth of curriculum choices
- SEAL students undertake Year 9 Languages
- Year 9 electives for SEAL come from Year 10
- Year 10 SEAL students will have access to more senior subjects (dependent on demonstrated ability and interest in that subject area)

Accountability

All SEAL students must maintain a level of **80% or more** for Attitude and Effort across all subjects.

Students reflect on their reports after every cycle (six cycles across year).

All students sign an agreement at the start of the program outlining the expectation to maintain 80% in all areas of school. If a student falls below 80% they follow the 3 step process which supports them to remain in the program.

100%	<p>A student at this level exceeds all other attitude and effort descriptors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Constantly</i> gives and receives useful feedback to improve learning • <i>Constantly</i> responsible, independent learner who monitors their own progress • <i>Constantly</i> displays all College values in their actions, in and beyond the classroom • <i>Constantly</i> follows Warrnambool College Expected Behaviour Matrix 	EXCELLING
90%	<p>A student at this level:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gives and receives useful feedback to improve learning • Responsible, independent learner who monitors their own progress; submits all work • Displays College values in their actions, in and beyond the classroom • <i>Consistently</i> follows Warrnambool College Expected Behaviour Matrix 	
80%	<p>A student at this level:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks for and then applies feedback willingly to improve learning • Responsible, independent learner • Displays mutual respect by encouraging and assisting others in and beyond the classroom • <i>Consistently</i> follows Warrnambool College Expected Behaviour Matrix 	EXPECTED
70%	<p>A student at this level:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks for feedback as an opportunity to learn and improve skills • <i>Regularly</i> displays responsibility for their own learning, including submitting work • <i>Regularly</i> displays mutual respect, treating others with courtesy and kindness • <i>Regularly</i> follows Warrnambool College Expected Behaviour Matrix 	
60%	<p>A student at this level:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcomes feedback to improve skills for learning • Developing skills to take responsibility for their learning • Displays mutual respect treating others with courtesy and kindness • <i>Regularly</i> follows Warrnambool College Expected Behaviour Matrix 	BELOW EXPECTED
50%	<p>A student at this level:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accepts feedback but struggles to implement this effectively • Somewhat responsible for their learning; <i>occasionally</i> submits work • Displays mutual respect using SLANT • <i>Occasionally</i> follows Warrnambool College Expected Behaviour Matrix 	

WC 2027 Enrolments

In 2027 there are
no Zones.

We encourage any
interested family to apply.

- SEAL applications are
open NOW



Enrolment Process

KEY DATES:

Friday 8th MAY 2026- all enrolment forms must be returned

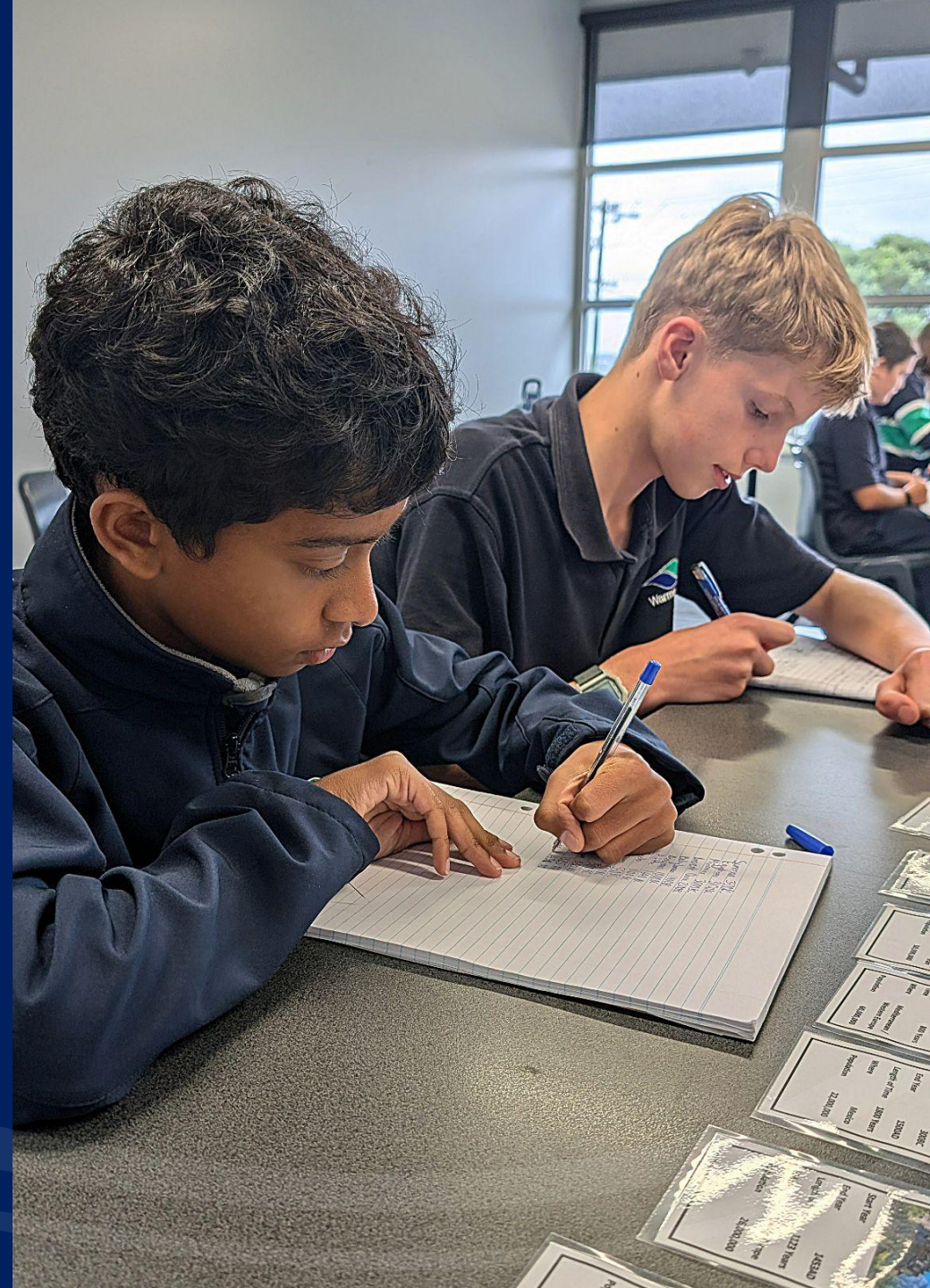
- Welcome packs sent to families 25th June 2026
- SEAL applications close Friday 24th July 2026
- Externally assessed test on 10th August 2026
 - (last date for Edutest payment is 5th August 2026)
- SEAL offers made by Friday 28th August 2026

SEAL Applications

KEY DATE:

Friday 24th JULY 2026 TO WC

- Referral from Grade 5 or 6 teacher
- Parent Referral
- Student Referral
- Payment for EduTest gifted learner testing - \$99





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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM



Must be accompanied by the following referral forms.

APPLICATIONS OPEN TUESDAY 31st MARCH AND CLOSE FRIDAY 24th JULY 2026

Full Name of Student: _____

Primary School: _____

Postal Address: _____

Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Home phone: _____ Work: _____ Mobile: _____

Email address: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Testing for the 2027 Year 7 Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL) program will be conducted at Warrnambool College. Further details will be forwarded to registered participants.

The testing will involve 4 x 30-minute multiple-choice questions on Verbal Reasoning, Logical Reasoning, Reading Comprehension and Mathematics, as well as a 15-minute Creative Practice tests are available for purchase at: www.edutest.com.au

Cost: The testing is \$99.00, payable directly to Edutest at the time of registration.

To register and pay: Access the website: aus.edutest.com.au/D/?t=ST4X4G93



SEAL KEY DATES:

- **Friday 24th July 2026**
Last day for SEAL Applications (including teacher references) to be returned to Warrnambool College.
- **Tuesday 4th August 2026**
Last day for SEAL online test registration (\$99.00 direct to online.com)
- **Monday 10th August 2026**
Testing date

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PARENT/GUARDIAN REFERRAL FORM

PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRIDAY 24th JULY 2026

Full Name of Student: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Primary School attended 2025: _____

Year 6 Teacher: _____

Postal Address: _____

Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Home phone: _____ Work: _____ Mobile: _____

Email address: _____

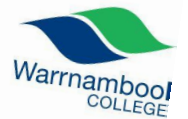
Circle a number for each question below. Use the scale to consider which best describes your child in relation to a typical child in your neighbourhood.

1. Uses a wide vocabulary and expresses themselves fluently
2. Thinks quickly

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|---|--------------------------------------------|
| 5 | Has this trait to a high degree |
| 4 | Has this trait more than a typical child |
| 3 | Compares with the typical child |
| 2 | Has this trait less than the typical child |
| 1 | Lacks this trait |

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PARENT/GUARDIAN REFERRAL FORM (CONT.)



On this page, add any further comments you wish to add regarding your child's:

- Special accomplishments or talents
- Interests or hobbies
- Special opportunities he/she has had
- Relationships with others
- Additional learning needs (if applicable)
- Any other information which you believe is relevant



Date: _____

Due by 24th July 2026 to:

Teacher Referral

- Please give this to your year 5 or 6 teacher – who you believe knows your student better.
- This is confidential information and should be given to you in a sealed envelope or mailed directly to Warrnambool College by 24th July.
- We may still contact the teacher for a verbal referral if we require additional information.

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CONFIDENTIAL TEACHER REFERRAL FORM

PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRIDAY 24th JULY 2026

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To be completed by student's current Yr 6 teacher, or if more appropriate, student's former Yr 5 teacher.

Full Name of Student: _____

Current School: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Grade(s) that I taught this student: _____

Contact phone number at this school: _____

How long have you known this student: _____

Please indicate the degree to which you believe the student demonstrates the following behaviours:

BEHAVIOURS	VERY HIGH	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW	VERY LOW
Is an avid reader and selects books at a reading age far above her/his chronological age level.					
Is verbally proficient, has a large and unusually advanced vocabulary.					
Is outstanding at mathematics.					
Demonstrates powers of abstraction and conceptualisation.					
Shows an interest in problem solving in intellectual contexts.					

The Test!

4 x 30 minute multiple choice tests and 1 x 15 minute creative writing test.

1. Verbal Reasoning
2. Numerical Reasoning
3. Reading Comprehension
4. Mathematics
5. Creative Writing Task
 - not standardised test
 - focus on giftedness

The test is undertaken at Warrnambool College.





SEAL classes

- Up to 25 students selected for one SEAL Year 7 class in 2027.
- Offers made - with a short waiting list in case students decline offers.



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Thanks for coming...

