

KINROSS COLLEGE

Extension & Acceleration Program (KEA Program)

APPLICATION & HAST TEST DETAILS

Applications are now open for the Kinross College Academic Extension Program for 2018.

Please note that if your child has already sat the HAST test, or is in the KEA program, they do NOT need to take this test, please ignore this communication.

Kinross College offers a school-based academic extension program for gifted and talented students in Years 7 to 10. Students who earn a place in this program are provided with a differentiated curriculum that is both challenging and enriching.

By completing the application form you are committing your son or daughter to enrol in the **Kinross Extension & Acceleration (KEA) program for 2018** and participate in the **HAST test**. Entry into the program is based on school reports, NAPLAN and HAST test results.

The Higher Ability Selection Test (HAST) is an assessment used by secondary schools to identify academically gifted students for participation in accelerated learning and enhancement programs.

The test draws upon Australian Council of Education Research (ACER's) extensive experience in high stakes testing programs for schools such as the Selective High School Placement tests in New South Wales, the Ignite program in South Australia, the GATE program in Western Australia and the Queensland Academies Students Entrance Test.

The HAST program delivers rigorous tests in reading comprehension, mathematical reasoning, abstract reasoning and written expression at all levels of secondary school, including first level entry. HAST is designed to measure innate ability and academic potential, unlike curriculum-based tests which typically identify what a student has already learnt.

The test material is presented in a wide range of contexts and includes some items that are highly verbal, some that required the ability to perceive concepts at an abstract level, others that require the ability to synthesize, extrapolate or make inferences and some that apply logical and strategic thinking to solving a problem.

The cost of the testing is **\$61.00 per child**. Registration **closes on Wednesday 18 October 2017** and students will sit the **HAST** test on Wednesday 1 November 2017 between 9am and 12pm.

Students applying for entry in 2018 to the Kinross College KEA program will sit the 3 test package according to their age. Please go to <https://www.acer.edu.au/hast-secondary> for more information about the test, including sample questions.

Additional information will be forwarded after the closing date for applications prior to testing. If you have any further questions please email alice.sedgman@education.wa.edu.au or contact me at the College on 9306 6000.

Yours sincerely

Alice Sedgman

Academic Extension Coordinator – Kinross College

18 September 2017

KEA PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM
Registration closes on Wednesday 18 October 2017
Test date is Wednesday 1 November 2017

Post applications with payment to:
Kinross College, Falkland Way, Kinross
6028 or, deliver to the College office.

SECTION 1: Details of applicant:

Student Surname: First Name:

Date of Birth: Year Group 2018:

Male: ☐ Female: ☐

If your child is currently a student at Kinross College and **no details have changed**, move on to **Section 2**.

Name of current school (if not Kinross College):

Parent/Guardian: Title: Surname:

Given Name:

Home Address:

Contact Phone No.: Mobile:

Other:

E-mail Address:

SECTION 2: Parent / Guardian Permission

I have read and understand the application and testing process and give permission for my son/ daughter to participate in the HAST test.

PARENT/ GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

SECTION 3: Payment

Please include the total cost of \$61.00 with this application (cost of test used)

Cash should be placed in an envelope with child's name, in the secure drop box in the College's reception area. **Cheques** should be made payable to Kinross College or see **other payment options** below.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT OPTION

Full Name – (as it appears on Card – PLEASE PRINT)

Full Address

Card Type (please circle): VISA / MASTERCARD

Credit Card No:

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Expiry Date:

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Amount to be paid

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SIGNATURE

DIRECT DEPOSIT PAYMENT OPTION

Payment can also be made via direct deposit:

Account Name: Kinross College

BSB: 016338

Account Number: 199317362

Please ensure that you include the student surname and initial in the payment description. An email advising payment can be sent to kinross.college.finance@education.wa.edu.au