



Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Parent Nomination for Placement in a Newman Selective Class

Welcome to our school community here at De La Salle College Ashfield.

Context

Our school will be continuing in the SCS Newman Expansion, an initiative that focuses on a systematic identification and selection process for students interested in being considered for a place in our Newman Selective classes. We would like to invite interested parents to complete the Parent Nomination form on behalf of their child in order to apply for a place in our Newman classes.

Nomination Process

If you choose to complete and submit the Parent Nomination form, your child will also sit the Newman Selective Higher Ability Assessment which has been designed by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). Details regarding the test will be shared once your child's nomination has been reviewed.

Instructions on how to apply for consideration of a placement in the Newman Selective cohort are listed below:

1. Parents wishing to nominate their child can complete the Parent Nomination form available on the College website and submit with their child's enrolment form.
2. Attach copies of supporting evidence to the nomination form (eg: ICAS Competition results).

Our Catholic Primary feeder schools will provide us with your child's diagnostic assessment data, such as PAT Math and PAT Reading, which will support their nomination. There will be no need for parents to collect any information from their child's Catholic feeder Primary school teacher as this will be shared with the College via Compass.

If your child has been enrolled from a school outside of Sydney Catholic Schools, we recommend asking your child's Primary school teacher to provide you with any diagnostic assessment information they have gathered that is related to your child's educational development (eg: PAT Math results) and attach this information to the nomination form.

Each nomination for a placement in a Newman Selective Gifted Education Secondary class will be carefully considered by the Newman Selection Panel, even those without additional evidence.

Contact Details

If you have any questions in relation to the Newman Selective Gifted Education nomination process, please contact our Newman Facilitator Mr Steven Long at the College on Ph: 9797 3200.

We look forward to working with you and your child as they continue their education at De La Salle College Ashfield.

Sincerely

Paul Forrester
Principal