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Student Targeted Enrichment Program (STEP) Year 7 2021

Narara Valley High School will be offering a Student Targeted Enrichment Program (STEP) for Year 7, 2021 students as part of its commitment to the education of its Gifted and Talented students. STEP is taught as an enriched learning class over four years, Year 7 to 10, with the option of accelerated learning in Year 9 and Year 10.

With the initial GATS and Accelerated classes having graduated with outstanding results, our experience is now building on the research undertaken when first introducing this program to Narara Valley High School. In fact, our ongoing evaluation of the program and analysis of data collected, supports the research that states that engaging with an enriched curriculum has long-term beneficial effects on the students involved. We can proudly refer to successful alumni who are currently engaging in academic, international and highly respected professional arenas.

This program is designed for academically advanced students who desire the challenge of working consistently at their ability level within the framework of a comprehensive high school. The class will be taught by specialist staff, and students are presented with opportunities to complete their secondary education in a unique and individualised way according to their strengths and abilities.

We will hold a selection test at Narara Valley High School on **Thursday 26th March 2020 between 9:00am and 12:00pm,** and follow up interviews as part of the selection process which is subject to the DoE and school enrolment policy. Our overall aim is to provide a secure, peer-supported environment with specialised teaching, programming and curriculum that will allow all selected students to progress at their true ability level.

As part of our commitment to our community, we will continue to absorb the bulk of the cost for the testing. In 2020, the cost of administering the tests is \$61.00 per student, and we are requesting a \$10.00 administration cost to help us maintain the quality of the testing. You will be provided with a result sheet at the end of the testing. Could you please return an application form and payment to Narara Valley High School by **Tuesday, 17th March 2020**, to ensure that there are sufficient tests on the day.

Further information can be obtained from the school, and at the 2020 Year 7 Parent Information Evening to be held on Thursday, 5th March 2020 at Narara Valley High School from 6:00pm to 8:00pm for all prospective students, including specific STEP, TSP and CAPA classes. There will also be information nights held at Wyoming Public School on Monday, 24th February, Niagara Park Public School on Tuesday, 25th February and at Valley View Public School on Wednesday, 26th February.

An application form is attached for your convenience.

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APPLICATION FORM

Year 7, 2021 STEP Class Placement

Student's Name:	Date of Birth: / /	/
Parent Name (s):		
Address:		
Phone Number:		
Email Address:		
Primary School Attended:		
Signed by Parent/ Guardian:		
Siblings attending Narara Valley High School:		
Signed by Parent/ Guardian:		
Date:		

Summary of academic achievement at primary school:		
chool based awards:		
Positions of responsibility held at school:		
Outside achievements:		
nterests and hobbies:		

Class Teacher Comment About this Student	To be Completed by Principal
	English Score
	English Ranking
	Commont
	Comment
	Maths Score
	Maths Ranking
	Comment

Other information you would like considered:
/We would like our student to sit for the selection test for placement in the Narara Valley High School STEP class for Gifted and Talented students. The test will take place at Narara Valley High School between 9:00am and 12:00pm on Thursday, 26 th March 2020. Applications close Tuesda L7 th March 2020.
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