

Guidelines for Class Placement of Students from Years 7 to 10

Purpose

On enrolment, each student is placed in the appropriate class group¹ for the achievement of her learning potential and personal growth and her progress is monitored as relevant.

Guidelines

- Year 7 and 8 students are placed in class groups by the Dean of Year 7 and 8 who uses enrolment information² to assist the process. These groups are used for most of the curriculum taught in Year 7 and 8.
- Year 9 students are placed in groups by the incoming Year 9 Dean and any other relevant staff.

There are either 5 or 6 class groups. These are equity based groups and are based on a:

- spread of diversity
- spread of contributing schools
- spread of Scholarship recipients
- spread of Boarders

Enrolment information³, consultation with Learning Support, HPL coordinators, and the Y7 and 8 Dean is used as relevant.

- Year 9 class groups make up the form tutor groups for pastoral care as well as being the main groupings for curriculum delivery.
- The Deans take into account relationships and classroom dynamics when considering class groupings, as well as reviewing the students' academic progress and results.
- The number of class groups at each level varies according to student numbers. Years 7 and 8 consist of two classes each. Generally, Year 9 has 5 or 6 class / tutor groups and Year 10 has 6 class / tutor groups.
- Year 10 class groupings are changed and remixed to expand students' acquaintanceships. These groups form the classes for compulsory subjects in Year 10 (with the exception of an accelerated Mathematics class), option class groups are determined by student subject selection and timetabling.
- A small number of identified HPL students may apply for acceleration⁴, such as from Year 9 to Year 10 or multi-level studies within the school based on set guidelines. Students with learning needs may be considered for learning support in the Learning Centre in place of one of their subject classes.

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¹ Also known as tutor groups

² Gathered from wait list information, entrance testing, school visits by Dean and students' school reports

³ See above

⁴ See also Acceleration Policy