

Excellence Program Application 2025

Woodridge State High School prides itself on developing *empowered, resilient... world changing* students. To foster and build our young people we offer three Excellence Programs:

- 1. Leadership Excellence & Academic Program (LEAP)
- 2. The Junior Music Academy (JMA)
- 3. High Performance Sport (HPS)

Details of the programs as well as the application process, are outlined below.

Excellence Program

Leadership Excellence & Academic Program (LEAP)

The Leadership Excellence & Academic Program works to build the capabilities of our students by focusing on the key 21st Century skills of collaboration and teamwork, critical and creative thinking and communication. There are several areas within this program that students could nominate for, including:

- 1. Esports
- 2. STEAM (Science, technologies, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics)
- 3. Leadership
- 4. Academics.

Specifically, students may:

- Participate in Wednesday afternoon Next Steps to Success lessons focused on developing their nominated areas;
- Work with a mentor at key junctures throughout the year;
- Participate in the Leadership Camp and running of the Group Project;
- Compete in various competitions throughout the year.

The Junior Music Academy (JMA)

The Junior Music Academy aims to extend and enrich junior school students who have an interest in music. This program fosters and cultivates music excellence in the areas of composing, performing and responding to music.

Specifically, students:

- Undertake specialised JMA classes as part of their elective options;
- Partake in instrumental music lessons and programs (including school band);
- Participate in the Arts Festival, events involving our feeder primary schools and other special events;
- Participate in chosen Next Steps to Success classes on Wednesday afternoons.

High Performance Sport (HPS)

The High Performance Sport Program aims to develop exceptional athletes who excel not only in their sport but also in life, through a holistic approach that emphasizes physical and mental wellbeing, academic and career readiness, and the development of strong character and integrity. Our excellence program is dedicated to creating a supportive environment where every student-athlete can reach their full potential, both on and off the field, and emerge as well-rounded individuals prepared for diverse post-school pathways.

Specifically, students:

- Undertake HPE Australian curriculum in HPS classes with highly specialised sport specific teachers and coaches;
- Athlete development through Next Steps to Success program classes with a focus on post school pathways; officiating; coaching; leadership; mindset; nutrition; and fitness;
- Participate in a range of interschool, regional, and state competitions for their sport.

Application Process

- The first stage of the application process is to complete the relevant Excellence Program application/s below. While students can apply for more than one Excellence Program, they can only <u>participate in</u> <u>ONE Excellence Program, including only one sub category</u> e.g. LEAP – E sports.
- Submit the application ALONG WITH A COMPLETED ENROLMENT FORM, in person to the Administration Office at Woodridge State High School or via email to <u>office@woodridgeshs.eq.edu.au</u> You will also need to supply your students' most recent report card and NAPLAN results (if available). Applications close at 3pm on Friday 5th September (Term 3 Week 9).

Please note that completion of the application does **not** guarantee:

- Enrolment into Woodridge State High School or
- Entry into the Excellence Program
- 3. If there are a large number of applicants there may be a requirement for further supporting evidence. This would involve applicants submitting a video of their performance or participating in a trial day. Applicants will be notified via email if this is necessary.
- 4. All applicants will be notified via email by as to the outcome of their application for entry into the Excellence Program by **3pm on Friday 10th October (Term 4 Week 2)**.
- 5. Applicants who receive an offer must **accept OR decline** the offer via email <u>office@woodridgeshs.eq.edu.au</u>, NO LATER THAN **3pm on Friday 31st October (Term 4 Week 5)**, <u>otherwise it will be deemed you have declined your offer</u> of a position into an Excellence Program.

Ensure you add as much information as possible to assist in the decision-making process.

Excellence Program Application

Student Details			
Student Name		Date of Birth	
Parent/Carer Name		Contact Number	
Primary School			
Home address			

Please indicate the Excellence Program/s you would like to apply for:			
 Leadership, Excellence & Academic Program: Academic Leadership Esports STEM 	 Junior Music Academy High Performance Sports: Football Rugby League Volleyball 		

Referee Report Please provide the name and contact number of two referees who can comment on your suitabilityfor the Excellence Program you are applying for.

Referee 1	Referee 2	
Name	Name	
Relationship to applicant	Relationship to applicant	
Contact number	Contact number	
Signature	Signature	
Comments (talk to the applicants' talents &/or characteristics that make them suitable for the program in which they are applying)	Comments (talk to the applicants' talents &/or characteristics that make them suitable for the program in which they are applying)	

Leadership Excellence & Academic Program (LEAP)

Are you currently a student leader? (Please circle)		
School Captain	House Captain	
School Vice-Captain	Other (relevant to your nominated program)	

Please list your current/ previous involvement in School & Community Service, Leadership, E sports, STEAM etc.

School & Community Service, Leadership, E sports, STEAM or other	Years	
Please list any relevant competitions which you have taken part in and your results.		
Outline your favourite subject/topic and why you like it.		
Describe how you learn best.		
Describe your vision for LEAP and explain how being part of your chosen Excellence Progr	am may impact	
Describe your vision for LEAP and explain how being part of your chosen Excellence Program may impact on your educational journey through high school and beyond.		

Junior Music Academy

Please list your previous/current involvement in the Arts.

Events/ Programs/ Class / Awards	Years	
Describe your passion for the Arts and explain how being part of this Excellence Program r	nav impact on	
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High Performance Sport Excellence

Sporting Achievements				
Sport 1			Calendar Year Achieved	
Indicate Highest Level Achieved:	∘ Club	 District Titles or Equivalent 	 Regional Titles or Equivalent 	\circ State Titles or Higher
Sport 2			Calendar Year Achieved	
Indicate Highest Level Achieved:	o Club	 District Titles or Equivalent 	 Regional Titles or Equivalent 	 State Titles or Higher
Additional Sporting Information				
Describe your program may i	passion for S	Sport and explain how being our educational journey throug	part of the High Performar gh high school and beyond	nce Sport excellence I.