



# Lithgow

In pursuit of excellence for all



## LITHGOW HIGH SCHOOL OFFICIAL NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HIGH POTENTIAL GIFTED EDUCATION PARTNER SCHOOL GIFTED & TALENTED ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT STREAM

Lithgow High School is now officially a High Potential Gifted Education Partner School and we are very excited to offer a selective stream of classes designed as a Gifted & Talented Academic Enrichment program for eligible students from years 7 to 10.

The Enrichment program offers students avenues for developing a deeper understanding of key learning area content and developing skills in

- problem solving and project management
- critical, creative, and lateral thinking
- leadership and interpersonal communication.

We have also integrated a focus on STE(A)M (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics). The programming and assessment are independent of mainstream classes, offering teachers the flexibility to extend students and deepen inquiry-based learning across the curriculum.

Lithgow High School is working in partnership with local council, LEEP – Lithgow Emerging Economy Plan, university, and industry groups to enhance the experience of students in our Enrichment Program.

Selection is through an application and testing process modelled on:

- the NSW Department of Education Selective School testing and HPGE – High Performance Gifted Education
- Gagne`s Model of Giftedness
- GERRIC training offered by UNSW; and
- established General Capability testing.

All teaching staff and aides have or will be trained in the mini-Certificate of Gifted Education through UNSW.

In 2026, we will be in the third year of implementation with our Year 10 Enrichment class pioneering the way forward.

The application form is available from the Lithgow High School website [www.lithgow-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.lithgow-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please contact Ms. Fotini Papas, Head Teacher Teaching, Learning and Wellbeing on T 6352 1422



## YEAR 7 2026 ENRICHMENT STREAM APPLICATION

Name of Student:	
Date of Birth:	
Male / Female:	
Primary School:	
Name of Parent/Carer: Mr/ Mrs / Ms / Other:	
Residential Address:	
Suburb:	Postcode:
Phone Number (H):	(M):
Family Email:	

### APPLICATION TIMELINE

Term 1	Application documents available on the Lithgow High School Website, from the Front Office and issued to student during primary school visits.
6 Jun 2025	Applications close. Applications are due to the front office at Lithgow High School.
1 Aug 2025	Applicants complete a Literacy and Numeracy Assessment at Lithgow High School.
15 Aug 2025	Applicant offers are posted to families.
12 Sep 2025	Acceptances for Enrichment Class are due to the Front Office at Lithgow High School.

### APPLICANT CHECKLIST AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Please attach ALL of the following documents to this page.

Check and tick each item below BEFORE forwarding the application to Lithgow High School.

- Page 1 of this application completed
- Parent nomination form completed (page 3)
- Student Nomination form completed (page 4)
- Photocopy of the student's most recent school report
- Photocopy of Year 5 NAPLAN - one page showing Proficiency Results (NOT the whole report)
- Date of Literacy and Numeracy Test has been noted for the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2025



## PARENT NOMINATION FORM

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<i>The enrichment class focuses on challenging and extending students. It is taught by a team of teachers (in core subjects) whose brief is to develop independent learning skills and engagement with learning. The teaching team will regularly review progress to ensure that the aims of the class, and the needs of students are being met.</i>	
1. Does your student enjoy addressing challenging tasks?	Yes / No / Unsure
2. Does your student like to work cooperatively with others?	Yes / No / Unsure
3. Does your student like to read for pleasure? What have they read in the last two weeks? (Please write below)	Yes / No / Unsure
4. Is your student interested in local, state and world news?	Yes / No / Unsure
5. Does your student have a specific ambition? If so, what is it?	Yes / No / Unsure
7. For class projects, does your student find information by researching?	Yes / No / Unsure
9. Does your student tend to start a project but not finish it?	Yes / No / Unsure
10. Does your student enjoy working alone to complete projects?	Yes / No / Unsure
11. Does your student complete tasks without support?	Yes / No / Unsure
6. How has your student used mathematical problem-solving skills?	
8. What hobbies or interests (outside of school) does your student have?	
12. Has your student demonstrated an ability in creative and/or performing arts? If so, please write below evidence of ability/performance.	Yes / No / Unsure
13. Does your student demonstrate an interest in using technology? If so, please write below evidence of interest/aptitude in using technology.	Yes / No / Unsure
14. Please circle any of the following that your student participates in. Sport      Debating      Public Speaking      Academic Competitions      community foreign language	
15. Would your student be prepared to participate in extra-curricular activities offered by Lithgow High School?	Yes / No / Unsure
16. Other comments in support of this application:	
Date:	
Signature of Parent/Carer:	
Signature of student:	



## STUDENT NOMINATION FORM

Dear Student,

We would like you to express, in your best writing, why you would like to enter this class. Write a response of no more than ONE page on the following topic:

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Student Signature