



Coolum State High School

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Academic Learning Program for High Achievers

2026 Year 7 Application



Student Name

Applications Close: Friday 23 May 2025

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Please do not attach any original documents to the Applications.



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ALPHA students have Places to go and People to see.



**THE UNIVERSITY
OF QUEENSLAND**
AUSTRALIA



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A unique, application only, opportunity exists for students entering Year 7 in 2026 to participate in Coolum State High School's Academic Learning Program for High Achievers (ALPHA).

PROGRAM VISION: The Academic Learning Program for High Achievers (ALPHA) focuses on creating a safe and supportive environment for nurturing a diverse range of academically-minded students who are university-bound. ALPHA classes are designed to enrich students through a series of learning opportunities that allow them to grow by fostering a culture of excellence. These students are supported to cultivate a base understanding of the curriculum more quickly and autonomously than core Junior Secondary classes.

ALPHA students are expected to participate in a variety of activities, such as ICAS competitions and university-themed excursions held throughout the year. The development of study and organisational skills is paramount to the program. ALPHA empowers students to be critical and creative thinkers through a series of intensive learning opportunities that develop their abilities to be innovators, entrepreneurs, and responsible global citizens of the future. They are encouraged to build critical thought processes and apply new knowledge to other areas by responding to real-world issues and ultimately participating in community projects as Leaders.

The ALPHA program challenges, extends, nurtures, and develops students into successful learners who are prepared for Senior Secondary and University options. Students are placed with like-minded learners and participate in in-depth studies across all subjects as per the Australian National Curriculum. Class composition changes each year to maximise peer learning. Extension strategies through Junior Secondary ensure successful Senior Secondary pathways commencing in Year 10. The results achieved by our ALPHA students are truly impressive, with over 70% of students producing A- level results.

Entrance into these classes will be based on demonstrated evidence of:

- A high level of performance ability in English, Humanities, Mathematics, and Science
- Evidence of consistently high levels of behaviour and effort in all subjects
- A high aptitude in literacy, numeracy, problem-solving, and critical thought as evidenced in the ALPHA Entrance Examination (compulsory)
- A positive mindset towards learning



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APPLICATION PROCESS

Stage 1 Complete and sign the ALPHA Application, and **submit** with a completed 2026 Coolum State High School Enrolment Application, with all required supporting documentation, to the Administration Office **by 3.00pm Friday 23 May 2025** addressed to:

Deputy Principal Year 7
Coolum State High School
Havana Road East
Coolum Beach Qld 4573

Please note the ALPHA Application will not be accepted without the completed 2026 Coolum State High School Enrolment Application with all required supporting documentation.

Stage 2 Entrance Examination (Literacy & Numeracy) - will be held on **Saturday 14 June at Coolum State High School**. Time and building location will be confirmed and communicated via email.

Alternative Exam: Friday 20 June at Coolum SHS 8.30 am – 11.00am

Stage 3 All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by email on **Friday 22 August 2025**.

Successful applicants will be determined wholistically as “Learners” using the following aspects, equally-weighted for each student:

- Written application
- Report card
- Entrance exam results – marked by an external provider ‘Janison Assessments’
- NAPLAN results

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Student Details	First Name		Surname	
	Sex (please circle) Male / Female		Date of Birth / /	
	Current School			
Parent / Carer Details	First Name		Surname	
	Unit / Street No.	Street Name		
	Town		Postcode	
	Mobile No.			
	Email Address			

Do you reside in the Coolum State High School catchment area?

Yes

No

Do you have siblings currently attending Coolum State High School?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide their name/s and year level/s:

Sibling's Full Name 1.	Current Year Level
Sibling's Full Name 2.	Current Year Level

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As a representative of ALPHA at Coolum State High School, my/my child's responsibilities are to:

- ✓ Commit to the school ethos of care, respect and excellence in all facets of learning and engagement.
- ✓ Maintain a high level (95%+) in attendance, unless medical certificates or evidence of extenuating circumstances provided.
- ✓ Maintain high levels of academic effort and behaviour on all report cards.
- ✓ Demonstrate appropriate behaviour outside of the classroom, in the playground and in the wider school community.
- ✓ Engage in extracurricular activities, performances, school community events if possible.
- ✓ Participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) and NAPLAN online exams.
- ✓ Engage in all excursions offered as part of the ALPHA Program.

Confirmation

- I understand that it is a requirement of Coolum State High School that all outstanding school fees must be paid in full or an up-to-date payment plan in place, approved by the Business Manager.
- In submitting this form, I declare that the information supplied, and the accompanying documentation, is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I consent to participating in the entrance exam and understand the ranking of student positions in the program is not disclosed for privacy reasons.
- I/We confirm that my child and I have read the above and agree to these expectations

Student Details (Applicant)	First Name	Surname
	Signature	Date / /
Parent Details	First Name	Surname
	Signature	Date / /

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Online Services Consent Form - Entrance Exam Janison Assessment

Privacy Notice

The Department of Education is collecting the personal information on this form in order to obtain consent regarding the use of online services. This information and completed form will be stored securely. Personal information collected on this form may also be used by or disclosed to third parties by the Department where authorised or required by law. If you wish to access or correct any of the personal information on this form, or discuss how it has been dealt with, please contact your student's school in the first instance.

This form is to be completed by:

- **Parent/carer***; **Student over 18 years**; or **Student with independent status**.

(*Note: Where a student who is under 18 years is able to consent, they may also provide consent in addition to the parent.)

1.	IDENTIFY THE PERSON TO WHOM THE CONSENT RELATES			
	Full name of student	<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">First Name</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Surname</td> </tr> </table>	First Name	Surname
First Name	Surname			
2.	INFORMATION COVERED BY THIS CONSENT FORM			
	<p>The consent collected by the form covers the following student personal information (identifying attributes):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student name (first name and/or last name) • Sex/Gender • Date of Birth, age, year of birth • <p>AND the following school-based information (generally, non-identifying attributes*):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student school username • Student school email • Student ID number • School • Year Group • Class • Teacher • Country <p>*In cases where registration and/or use requires a combination of school-based information (non-identifying) and personal information, or a combination of school-based information, the school-based information may become identifiable.</p>			



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3.	APPROVED PURPOSE
	<p>This form records your consent for the recording, use, disclosure and publication of the information listed in item 2 above, and any information or student works listed under the ‘additional consent requirements’, and to transfer this information and works within Australia and outside of Australia (in the case of offshore services) to the online service providers for the following purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For your child to register an account for the online services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For your child to use the online services in accordance with each service’s <i>terms of use</i> and <i>privacy policy</i> (including service provider use of the information in accordance with their <i>terms of use</i> and <i>privacy policy</i>) • For the school to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • administer and plan for the provision of appropriate education, training and support services to students, • assist the school and departmental staff to manage school operations and communicate with parents and students.
4.	TIMEFRAME FOR CONSENT
	<p>The consent granted by this form is for the duration of the student’s current phase of learning (i.e. Years 6 to 9). Consent is obtained upon enrolment and renewed when students move into a new phase of learning (e.g. minimum every four years).</p>
5.	CONSENT FOR ONLINE SERVICES
	<p>For each online service listed below, please indicate your choice to give consent or not give consent for the information outlined in Section 2 to be disclosed to the online service in accordance with the purpose outlined in Section 3, and for the timeframe specified in Section 4.</p>



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Service name	JANISON ASSESSMENT	Data hosting:	Offshore	<input type="checkbox"/> I give consent	<input type="checkbox"/> I do not give consent
Url:	https://www.icasassessments.com				
Purpose of use:	Janison Assessments provide ICAS Competition and Reach Assessments, provide online academic assessments for students in Digital Technology, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling, Writing and Grammar and Punctuation.				
Terms of use:	https://www.icasassessments.com/support-icas/				
Privacy policy:	https://www.icasassessments.com/support-icas/				
Additional consent is being sought for the following reasons: (as per Section 2b)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Student personal information is disclosed to register an account <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Student personal information is collected, used or disclosed through use of the service <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Student images, video, work and/or results are uploaded and published to the service <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The service provider requires parent consent for users under 18 to register an account and/or use the service				
. CONSENT AND AGREEMENT					
Person giving consent – I am (tick the applicable box): <input type="checkbox"/> parent/carer of the person identified in Section 1 <input type="checkbox"/> the person identified in Section 1 (if student is over 18 years or has independent status) I have read the explanatory letter, or it has been read to me. I have had the opportunity to ask questions about it and any questions that I have asked have been answered to my satisfaction. By signing below, I consent for the information outlined in Section 2 and any additional consent requirements outlined in Section 5 to be disclosed to the online services in accordance with the purpose outlined in Section 3 and for the timeframe specified in Section 4.					
Print name of student:					
Year Level					
Print name of consenter:					
Signature or mark of consenter:					
Date:					
Signature or mark of student*:					
Date:					
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