

Your guide to Selective Enrolment at Yanco Agricultural High School

As you sow, so shall you reap



Yanco Agricultural High School is a selective agricultural high school. This means that our school provides a high quality education in a residential environment with an emphasis on the study of agriculture. Year 7 entry into our school is via the selective school process and entry to year 8 to 12 is through direct application to our school. See below for details.

What is a Selective School?

Selective agricultural high schools are government high schools that cater for students with an interest in agriculture.

What does it mean for my child?

Your child will have the opportunity of learning in an environment with other students from across NSW all of whom share an interest in agriculture. Being an agricultural high school enables us to focus our teaching and farm resources on student learning to ensure that our students are provided with a wide variety of learning opportunities and experiences within an agricultural setting. Agriculture is a compulsory subject from Years 7 to 10 and for students entering the school in Year 11.

How many places are available?

We have 60 full boarding places available for Year 7 student enrolments. Students who are successful in gaining a place will board (live) at our school.

What is the criteria for Selective Schools?

There are a range of considerations for acceptance into a Selective School. In the case of Yanco, these include isolation

and access to agriculture in the local high school, as well as your child's academic record in his/her current school and your child's performance in the *Selective High School Placement Test* which occurs in March every year (for placement in the following year).

Does it matter what school my child is currently attending?

No. All students are welcome to apply for selective schools.

What if my child currently attends a non-government school?

The selection procedures are exactly the same for all students. Principals of non-government schools will be required to complete appropriate areas of the application as indicated on the forms.

How do I apply?

Year 7

A formal application to undertake the *Selective High School Placement Test* must be submitted in order for your child to be considered for placement at our school. For a copy of the application package, please ask your child's primary school or contact

Yanco Agricultural High School if you would like a package to be sent to you.

Please note that the application process is a two-year cycle. For example, the application is due towards the end of the year when your child is in Year 5, and the examination will be held early in Year 6.

You will be advised of the location of the formal examination (usually a local school).

Years 8–12

Entry to Years 8 to 12 is via application to the school and then a formal interview with the Principal. Application forms are available in July and interviews are held in late term 3 or early term 4.

How can I find out more?

Year 7 application forms can be downloaded from the selective school site: <http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/types/selectiveschools.php>

If you need more information on the application process, please contact us:

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