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# GNITE AT THE HEIGHTS SCHOOL

### INFORMATION DOCUMENT







The IGNITE Program at The Heights School is designed to provide opportunities for highly able students to:

- work on a curriculum designed specifically for gifted learners.
- · be immersed in classes with their intellectual peers.
- · have access to enrichment activities and programs.

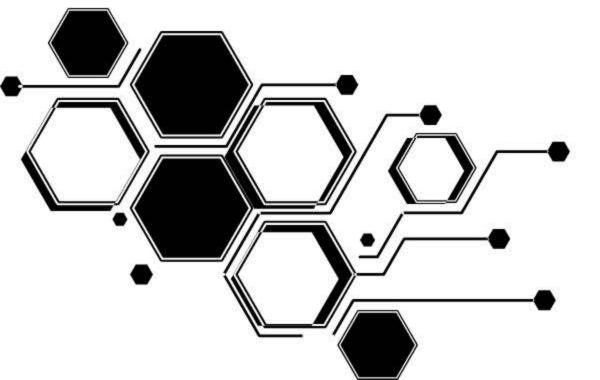
#### The IGNITE Program provides:

- Courses designed with a focus on developing capabilities such as: intercultural and ethicalunderstanding, entrepreneurship, self-management and social awareness, and critical and creative thinking.
- Teachers trained in gifted education in order to present curriculum specifically for highly-able learners.
- An ethos and environment which fosters the success of gifted students.
- A history of academic success.

Students are selected for entry into the IGNITE program through an ACER (Australian Council for Educational Research) assessment which is held in February. Each year The Heights School accepts approximately 60 students through this process. The assessment is open to students currently studying Year 6 in 2023, for entry into Year 7 in 2024. Students that have been selected into the IGNITE program are guaranteed direct entry into The Heights School, regardless of whether they live in the zone.

Research in Gifted Education shows that there is no singular model that meets the needs of all students with high intellectual potential, which is why our program is designed for students to personalise their curriculum. Years 7-10 IGNITE involves the study of an extended curriculum in subjects such as English, Maths, Science, HASS, Languages, Technologies, Health and Physical Education and The Arts. Stretch and challenge in thinking is a focus throughout this learning. Year 11 and 12 IGNITE students engage in completing the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE).

There are two Ignite classes at each year level that are timetabled together for their core subjects enabling movement interaction and collaboration between all Ignite students.











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### **Curriculum Overview**

The curriculum offered at The Heights School is outlined below, however it is constantly being reviewed to provide the best outcomes for our students so there may be some changes made for 2024.

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW				
YEAR 7 IGNITE	YEAR 8 IGNITE	YEAR 9 IGNITE	YEAR 10 IGNITE	
Full Year Compulsory Subjects	Full Year Compulsory Subjects	Full Year Compulsory Subjects	Full Year Compulsory Subjects	
English	English	English or EALD	English or EALD	
Science	Science	Science	Science	
Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics	
HASS	HASS	HASS		
Languages	Languages			
Health & PE	Health & PE			
Semester Compulsory Subjects	Semester Compulsory Subjects	Semester Compulsory Subjects	Semester Compulsory Subjects	
The Arts	The Arts	Health & PE	Health & PE	
Technologies	Technologies		Personal Learning Plan	
			History	
		Choice of 5 Semester	Choice of 5 Semester	
		Length Elective Subjects	Length Elective Subjects	

Year 11 (SACE Stage 1)	Year 12 (SACE Stage 2)	
Subject Outlines can be found at:	Subject Outlines can be found at:	
https://curric.theheights.sa.edu.au	https://curric.theheights.sa.edu.au	

