

THE SCHOOL

Trafalgar High School, with a student enrolment of approximately 600, offers a unique rural setting which nurtures a strong school identity and a stable, caring environment in which each individual attains a sense of identity and self worth.

The school's facilities are being constantly upgraded to meet the needs of the growing student population and to provide for a modern curriculum. Many of our students are drawn from outside the school's natural feeder area.



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SELECTION PROCESS

Students will be selected for entry into the SEAL Program according to the following:

The test covers three areas general aptitude, mathematical ability and writing & comprehension.

An interview with the student and parents for shortlisted applicants.

Where needed, questionnaires completed by parents, the student and the primary school teacher.

INTERESTED APPLICANTS

Should complete the testing enrolment form and return it to the school.

Testing will take place at the school, with a fee of \$20 payable to cover the costs of testing.

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SEAL Program
Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program

Is your child
BRIGHT?

THE PROGRAM...

- Is part of the Academy of Accredited SEAL Schools consisting of 36 schools across Victoria.
- is a select entry program that groups together children with high intellectual potential, thus providing an enriched curriculum that is covered at an accelerated pace.
- allows students to accelerate in the junior school and access a range of VCE subjects in Year 10.
- sees students working together in discrete form groups. Their challenging program, involves a greater emphasis on LOTE and information technology, with opportunities for cross curricular activities.
- encourages students within the program to join mainstream students for sport, camps, production and bands as well as during the elective program.



RESPONSES TO SEALP

- Over time, many families have chosen to enrol younger siblings into the program, clearly indicating a high level of satisfaction and support.
- A strong working relationship has been developed between Trafalgar High School and a wide range of primary schools in the Baw Baw and Latrobe Shires.
- A range of students in this program consistently perform at a very high level in various academic competitions.

PARENTS' COMMENTS

"Its main strength is the kids being together as a group and encouraging each other to do well - not being a victim of being 'smart'"

"The program avoids the previous boredom my son experienced at school"

"We like the country atmosphere of the school. It's smaller and there is more interaction"

"We moved here specifically for the school and it's reputation"

"We see the strength of the program as the opportunity for our child to be challenged"



THE HISTORY

- When Trafalgar High School commenced the program in 1997, it was one of only nine Government schools providing a Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program. Trafalgar High was the first country school in the state to offer such a program. Students have continued to be drawn from a wide geographical area.
- The success of the Program has been instrumental in bringing about changes to public transport access with trains now servicing the township at convenient times. Transport funding is available for students in the program.