ADVANCED CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT PROGRAM - YEAR 7, 2014

Students entering Maribyrnong College at Year 7 have the opportunity to apply for our Advanced Curriculum Enrichment (ACE) Program. The ACE program is based on select entry for Year 7 students who demonstrate academic skills above those of their peer group.

Year 7 students in the program undertake the same core subjects as the rest of the year level, in addition to further enrichment and in-depth studies of the curriculum. There is a greater emphasis on higher order thinking skills, as well as independent learning and research.

Students in the ACE program will also be expected to engage in extension activities through academic competitions, excursions and school based activities.

In 2012, a self-funded iPad pilot program was trialled. Parents purchased e-versions of all subject textbooks and these were loaded on the student-owned iPads. Students also accessed other educational applications in the classroom. The trial has been very successful and as a result iPads are being used in 2013.

In 2014, it is a condition of entry that students have their own iPads if they wish to participate in the ACE program.

Students who wish to enter the ACE program are required to sit the ACER High Ability Selection Test (HAST). The cost of ACER providing these tests and administration fees is $50. Please make cheques payable to Maribyrnong College. Selection will be based on the results of this test as well as school reports and NAPLAN results. Please include a copy of your child’s Grade 5 Semester Two report and their Grade 5 NAPLAN results with this application.

Applications for the 2014 Maribyrnong College ACE Program will close on Friday 26th April 2013. No late applications will be accepted.

The tests will be conducted at Maribyrnong College on Friday 3rd of May 2013, from 9.30am to 12.15pm. Applicants will receive a letter beforehand advising on location, directions etc.

For any queries regarding the program, please contact Ms Angela Field, ACE Program Manager, on 9091 8100 for further information.
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Application Form

Student’s family name: ______________Given name: ______________
Male / female (please circle one)
Date of birth: ______/______/______
Address: _______________________________________________________
Suburb: _______________________________________________________
Post Code: ____________
Parent / Guardian name: _________________________________________
Home phone no.: _______________________________________________
Mobile phone no.: _____________________________________________
Primary school: ________________________________________________
Location/suburb: _______________________________________________

Is your child also applying for the Sports Specialism Program?
Yes  No  (please circle one)

This must be returned, with the $50 fee by Friday April 26th 2013
Please make cheques payable to Maribyrnong College

To:
Ms Field, ACE Program Manager, Maribyrnong College, River Street, Maribyrnong 3032

Please ensure a copy of the Grade 5 Semester Two report and Grade 5 NAPLAN results are included with this form and payment.