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SCHOLARSHIPS 2025

Edworks is pleased to offer a scholarship information pack regarding the format, schools and timing of the ACER and EDUTEST scholarship exams, and SEAL/ELMS/ALPHA tests. Additional information can be gained by contacting the schools that your child wishes to sit for. Parents need to be aware that a number of the exams occur in February which often means that they fail to register on time and/or do not have sufficient time for preparation. Edworks therefore encourages parents to tell friends of the early exam times for future reference. **Outlined are the scholarship exams for 2025**.

1. The current companies are: **ACER, EDUTEST and AAS**. The format of the exams and schools, dates etc. are listed for your information. Please refer to their websites: **https://www.acer.org/au**, **www.edutest.com.au** and **www.academicassessment.com.au** for additional information with respect to online bookings.
2. **EDWORKS** offers a **FREE** online **scholarship preparation exam** for students in **Grades 6** to **Year 9**. We also offer a percentile ranking so that students can compare their current level of performance. Students should remember that Edworks programs offer them the opportunity to make significant advances and gain greater confidence in preparing for scholarship exams. Our practice tests are designed to expose students to the style and format of the kinds of questions they will face in an entrance or scholarship examination. They are not designed to duplicate the level of difficulty of an actual scholarship examination.
3. Many other online practice exams are designed to show the students the general format, but are not at the appropriate level (i.e. too easy). As a result, students are surprised and unnerved when they sit the exam. EDWORKS provides suitably challenging exams that see students well prepared.
4. **All EDWORKS** material and programs are in an **exam format**. The added benefit is that we do not simply focus on the answer, but use the material as a tool to develop a student's skill set. An example is the development of our unique 4 Steps to Problem Solving.
5. All students sitting scholarship exams are encouraged to review the scholarship preparation booklets in their folders.
6. EDWORKS has a summary sheet of skills and attitudes that students need to take into the exam.

EDUTEST SCHOLARSHIP EXAMS

FORMAT INDICATIVE ONLY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Scholarship and entrance exams are comprised of **Ability Tests** and **Achievement Tests:**

THE ABILITY TESTS

Ability tests are designed to **measure a child's ability** to **think, reason** and **solve** problems, without necessarily **relying** on **prior knowledge**. **Ability** generally **predicts** how **quickly a child** will be able to **learn** and the level of complexity they can **comfortably** deal with.

✓ **VERBAL REASONING:** measures the ability to think and reason using words and language. This includes vocabulary, word relationships, classification and deduction. (30 minutes in length)

✓ **NUMERICAL REASONING:** measures the ability to think and reason using numbers. This includes series, matrices, arithmetical reasoning and deduction. (30 minutes in length)

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THE ABILITY TESTS

Ability tests are designed to measure actual achievement or performance in some key academic areas. Achievement scores are influenced by a child's ability, as well as the application and practice of knowledge that has been learned.

✓ **READING COMPREHENSION:** measures the capacity to read and interpret meaning from written passages, as well as correct, complete and punctuate sentences. (30 minutes in length.)

✓ **MATHEMATICS:** measures year-level appropriate mathematical knowledge, including number patterns, measurement, basic algebra, space and data. (30 minutes in length.)

✓ **WRITTEN EXPRESSION:** This is a writing test that assesses the ability to convey ideas clearly in written form. Any of the following modes of writing may be assessed: creative, descriptive, narrative, persuasive, expository or informative. Students will be assessed on a range of criteria, including: Relevance to the topic, accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar, proper sentence structure and paragraphing. (15 minutes in length.)

2025 EDUTEST EXAM VENUES:
Schools undertaking the EDUTEST exam

SCHOOL	TEST	DATE OF TEST
Alphington Grammar School alphington.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Year 5-10 in 2026	Saturday, 22 February 2025
Bacchus Marsh Grammar bmg.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 22 February 2025
Carey Baptist Grammar School carey.com.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Year 10 in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 08 February 2025
Carey Baptist Grammar School carey.com.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Year 7 in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 08 February 2025
Caulfield Grammar School caulfieldgs.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 8 February 2025, 9am -12pm
Fintona Girls' School fintona.vic.edu.au	Fintona Scholarships for entry to Years 5 - 8 in 2026	Saturday, 15 February 2025

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Geelong Lutheran College glc.vic.edu.au	Academic Scholarships for entry into Year 7 and Year 10 - 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 15 March 2025
Kardinia International College www.kardinia.vic.edu.au	Academic Scholarship for entry to Year 7 in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 22 February 2025
Loreto College Ballarat loreto.vic.edu.au	Year 7, 2026 Academic Scholarships	Saturday, 15 February 2025
Methodist Ladies' College (MLC) www.mlc.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Years 5 & 7-12 in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 08 February 2025
Methodist Ladies' College (MLC) www.mlc.vic.edu.au	Indigenous Scholarships for entry to Years 7-11 in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Wednesday, 23 July 2025
Methodist Ladies' College (MLC) www.mlc.vic.edu.au	Boarding Scholarships for entry to Years 7-11 in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Wednesday, 23 July 2025
Siena College www.siena.vic.edu.au	General Excellence Scholarships for entry to Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 for 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 22 February 2025
St Catherine's School www.stcatherines.net.au	St Catherine's Scholarships 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 08 February 2025
Wesley College wesleycollege.edu.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Years 5, 7 & 10 in 2026 Special conditions apply - click here to view	Saturday, 08 February 2025

Please check with schools directly for updated test dates.

ACER PRIMARY SCHOOL TEST

FORMAT INDICATIVE ONLY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Primary level tests (entry into Years 4, 5 or 6)

The format consists of:

✓ **READING & COMPREHENSION. Time: 30 min.**

Format: **25** multiple choice questions.

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✓ **MATHEMATICS. Time: 30 min.**

Format: 20 Multiple choice questions.

✓ **WRITING. Time: 40 min.**

Format: 2 x short extended response essays of 20 minutes each, 40 minutes total.

ACER SECONDARY SCHOOL TEST

FORMAT INDICATIVE ONLY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

CSTP Test Structure: Level 1 = Grade 6, Level 2 = Yr 8, Level 3 = Year 9/10.

There will be a maximum of **four** separate tests.

Test 1: Written Expression (extended response, 25 minutes)

Two topics for writing will be set to allow students to use different styles of writing. They are presented as two separate tests (one in Test 1 and one in Test 4). This test is concerned with the student's ability to express thoughts and ideas in writing.

Test 2: Humanities – Comprehension and Interpretation (multiple choice, 40 minutes)

This test asks students to answer questions related to written and visual material. The material may be drawn from subject areas such as English, Art, History, Geography and Social Studies. No specialist knowledge in these areas is assumed – – all the information needed will be provided. Students are required to think critically and make judgements about different types of texts, including fiction, non-fiction, poetry, cartoons, diagrams and maps.

Test 3: Mathematics (multiple choice, 40 minutes)

This test attempts to measure mathematical and scientific abilities rather than school achievement in these areas. The material used for the questions is selected from a wide variety of sources, and may differ from standard school-based curriculum materials.

Test 4: Written Expression (extended response, 25 minutes)

Two topics for writing will be set to allow students to use different styles of writing. They are presented as two separate tests (one in Test 1 and one in Test 4). This test is concerned with the student's ability to express thoughts and ideas in writing.

The actual time at which the first test starts can be determined by the school. A break should be allowed between Tests 2 and 3.

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COOPERATIVE DATES FOR 2025 ENTRY:

ACER EXAMS

Schools undertaking the ACER exams

SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	DATE OF TEST	SCHOLARSHIP TYPE
Academy of Mary Immaculate	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Al Taqwa College	Primary, Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Alphington Grammar School	Primary, Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Assumption College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Bialik College	Primary, Secondary	Fri, 14 Feb 2025	Alternative Date
Caulfield Grammar School	Primary, Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Cornish College 3pm Close	Primary	Sat, 01Mar 2025	Alternative Date
Gilson College	Secondary	Wed, 03 May 2023	Alternative Date
Gippsland Grammar School	Primary, Secondary	TBA	Cooperative
Girton Grammar School	Primary, Secondary	TBA	Cooperative
Good News Lutheran College	Secondary	Sat, 22 Feb 2025	Cooperative
Huntingtower	Secondary	Sat, 08 Feb 2025	Alternative Date
Kilvington Grammar School	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 15 Feb 2025	Alternative Date
Lighthouse Christian College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Mater Christi College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Mazenod College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Nagle College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Nunawading Christian College	Primary, Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Oakleigh Grammar	Primary, Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Overnewton Anglican Community College	Primary, Secondary		Alternative Date
Peninsula Grammar	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 15 Feb 2025	Alternative Date
Penleigh and Essendon Grammar, Level 1	Secondary	Sat, 15 Feb 2025	Alternative Date
Penleigh and Essendon Grammar, Levels 2 & 3	Secondary	Sat, 15 Mar 2025	Alternative Date
Presbyterian Ladies' College	Secondary	Sat, 01 Feb 2025	Alternative Date
Saint Ignatius College Geelong	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
St Aloysius College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
St Bernard's College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
St John's College Preston	Secondary	Sat, 15 Mar 2025	Alternative Date
St Mary of the Angels College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Truganina College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Victory Lutheran College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
Xavier College	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date

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AAS TEST

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Students sitting an AAS exam are assessed in the following areas:

Abstract Reasoning and Problem Solving: this test assesses the ability to reason with and analyse information using verbal, mathematical, figural and spatial concepts.

Mathematics Achievement and Reasoning: for primary and junior secondary students these tests assess curriculum-related mathematics tasks and mathematical reasoning tasks. Middle and senior secondary students are assessed on mathematics reasoning tasks. These are different to curriculum-based mathematics and focus on problem-solving skills.

Reading Comprehension: this test assesses the ability to remember, locate, analyse, evaluate, derive and combine text propositions with fiction and non-fiction texts of increasing complexity.
Written Expression: this test assesses students' facility with written language. A stimulus is provided for students to produce a piece of writing in a particular genre (e.g. narrative or argument) depending on the requirements of the School.

Each task is around 40- 45 minutes in length, except for Written Expression, which is 25 minutes.

These tasks measure how a child performs in relation to the cohort sitting the exam.

Students and parents need to be aware that these tests maybe demanding and that not all students will complete each test within the time allowed. It is important students do not spend too much time on questions they find too difficult.

SCHOOL	SUBURB	LEVEL	TEST DATE
Berwick Grammar School	Officer	Year 5-11	TBA
Genazzano FCJ College	Kew	Years 7, 9-11	TBA
Korowa Anglican Girls' School	Glen Iris	Year 5-11	TBA
Lauriston Girls' School	Armadale	Years 5, 7, 10	TBA
Melbourne Girls' Grammar School	South Yarra	Years 5, 7, 9	TBA
Ruyton Girls' School	Kew	Years 5, 7, 9, 10, 11	TBA

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St Margaret's School	Berwick	Years 5-11	TBA

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SEAL/ELMS/ALPHA EXAMS

As with the scholarship and selective entrance exams, schools select from ACER (AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH) and EDUTEST™. A few schools also take the option of writing their own tests or utilising educational consultants.

Edworks has been assisting students for over 30 years. We recommend that parents contact the school/s via their websites and then depending on the format, we can integrate issue based writing/abstract reasoning or not. The other aspects of the exams are similar to general scholarship/entrance exams. Edworks takes the initiative to prepare for a wide variety of formats. We also suggest that students sit for more than one school. Please refer below with respect to the general formats offered by ACER and EDUTEST.

ACER TEST FORMATS

(FORMAT INDICATIVE ONLY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

ACER offers multiple formats for schools to select from:

4 test package:

Mathematical reasoning, Reading comprehension, Abstract reasoning, Written expression

3 test package:

Mathematical reasoning, Reading comprehension and Written expression 1 or 2

or

Mathematical reasoning, Reading comprehension and Abstract reasoning.

EDUTEST™ FORMAT

EDUTEST uses the same format for scholarship and accelerated programs. Please refer to the information above for more details.

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