



Specialist Programs - 2017

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Innovators Academy

Reynella East College offers a special focus STEM program that encourages critical and creative thinking through practical application of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics in partnership with industry and universities. The Innovators program caters for gifted students and those interested in pursuing a career in in STEM related endeavours.

Candidates are identified for the Innovators Academy during year 7 transition and are invited to apply for year 8 with successful entry via an application process. Students can be identified in any year level for the following year.

Students work with specialist STEM teachers and have opportunities to learn through industry based projects. The Innovators Academy is designed to fully equip the students to achieve at a high academic level and to prepare them for continued success on their pathway throughout their secondary schooling and at tertiary and industry level.

Specialist STEM subjects include

Year 8

- Math, Science, Technologies, STEM (1 semester)

Sports Academy

Students work with specialist sports teachers, including staff recognised as elite players and coaches in the sports industry. Each target sports is designed to fully equip the student to achieve at a high sporting and academic level and to prepare them for continued success on their elite pathway throughout their secondary schooling and at tertiary and industry level.

Specialist Sports subjects include

Year 8

- Specialist Sports (2 semesters)
- HPE (1 or 2 semesters)
- Healthy Lifestyles Choices (1 semester only)

Arts Academy

Students work with specialist Arts teachers, including staff recognised as professionals in the Arts industry. Each Arts specialist program is designed to fully equip the students to achieve a high academic standard and to prepare them for continued success on their specialist pathway throughout their secondary schooling and at tertiary and industry level.

Our Specialist Arts programs have strong links with Flinders University of SA and attend transition opportunities at both University and TAFE Arts facilities. Academy students are involved in various Arts events throughout the year, including the whole school Arts production.

Specialist Arts subjects include

Year 8

- Dance
- Drama
- Media-Arts
- Music
- Visual Arts

Application Process

The process for applying for one of the Specialist Subjects is as follows:

- Students will need to complete an application form outlining why they are interested in being part of their identified academy and what skills, knowledge and passion they have for this area
- Students will need to provide the name and contact details of at least one referee who will be able to speak positively on behalf of the student in relation to the academy they are selecting
- A workshop and interview/audition/trial may be held which the student will need to attend.

At the end of the process, students will be notified by letter/phone/email informing students whether or not they have been successful.

If your child is interested in applying for an academy please complete the form located on the Reynella East College Website <http://reynellaec.sa.edu.au>

Time Line

Friday 9th September - Applications Close 4pm

19-23rd September – Workshop and Inventors Interviews, Sports Trials, Arts Auditions, Referees contacted

4th November Notifications sent out

Specialist Language Program

Year 8 students, who have a keen interest in language have the opportunity to select a “Specialist Language Option”, meaning they study their language of choice for a fully year in Year 8 (opposed to the compulsory one semester). Students who choose the Specialist Language Option will get the opportunity to enhance their language skills with a native speaking international student while getting first preference for exchange and scholarship opportunities.

Please indicate on the “Year 8 Subject Selection Form for 2017” if your child is interesting in this opportunity.

For more information please visit the Reynella East College website and navigate to the Specialist Programs under the Enrolments tab <http://reynellaec.sa.edu.au>



Specialist Program Student Application Form

Application for entry to Year 8 in 2017

Please ensure the application is written to address details listed in (a) below. Forward **2 copies of all forms** to: Sue Richards Middle Years Assistant Principal - Specialist Program,
Reynella East College,
63 Malbeck Drive,
Reynella East, SA, 5161.

Applications must be received by 4.00pm Friday 9th September 2016
Students in Year 7 may apply for the Year 8 Specialist Program

Student Name: _____ Male/Female: (please circle)

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ School Card: Yes/No (please circle)

Residential Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Current School: _____

Current Teacher Name: _____ Phone number: _____

Teacher's Email: _____

Parent/Caregiver: Name: _____

Day-time Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____

Please tick Specialist program:

Innovators Academy

Sports Academy
Sports played 2016

Arts Academy
Arts area of interest

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Required Documents:

(a) In addition to this cover page you must submit a student self-nomination form, addressing:

- Interest and experience in the specialist program
- Skills and knowledge in this area
- What you would like to achieve in the specialist program

Maximum 500 words in length

(b) Referee –

Sports Academy – coach/trainer

Arts Academy – teacher/coach

Innovators Academy – teacher

Name of Referee : _____

Phone number: _____

Referee email: _____

(c) Awards/certificates appropriate to demonstrate achievement /ability for selected Academy (photocopies only)

(d) Selection in Local, State or National team for Sports Academy/ Performances for Arts Academy

(e) NapLan, School reports (photocopies only)