

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 2019.**

1. The current companies are: **ACER** and **EDUTEST**. The format of the exams and schools, dates etc. is listed for your information. Please refer to their websites: <http://www.acer.edu.au> and www.edutest.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)

THE ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Achievement 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.)
- ✓ **CREATIVE WRITING:** this test is a writing task of original work in response to a visual or written stimulus. It assesses the student's ability to convey ideas clearly in written form. Punctuation, content, creativity, construction, paragraphs, grammar, spelling and relevance to the task are all assessed in this test.
- ✓ **PERSUASIVE WRITING:** this test comprises a writing task that requires students to respond to an issue that is relevant to society (for example, social, environmental, political). It assesses the student's ability to take a stance on the issue, providing a logical and cohesive argument in order to persuade an audience.

2019 EDUTEST EXAM VENUES: Schools undertaking the EDUTEST exam

SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP/TEST	DATE OF TEST
Albert Park College www.albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au	Entry to the SEAL Programme in 2020	Saturday, 11 May 2019
Auburn High School www.auburnhs.vic.edu.au	Entry to the SEAL program for Year 7 in 2020	Saturday, 11 May 2019
Billanook College www.billanook.vic.edu.au	Academic & General Excellence Scholarships for entry to Years 5 - 9 in 2020	Saturday, 23 February 2019
Blackburn High School www.blackburnhs.vic.edu.au	Entry to the High Achievers Program for Year 7 in 2020	Saturday, 11 May 2019

SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	DATE OF TEST
Brighton Grammar School www.brightongrammar.vic.edu.au	Entry to Years 4 - 10 inclusive, in 2018	Closed
Brighton Secondary College www.brightonsc.vic.edu.au	Entry to Year 7 SEAL in 2020	Saturday, 04 May 2019
Brunswick Secondary College www.brunswick.vic.edu.au	Entry to the Accelerated Learning Programme in 2020	Saturday, 18 May 2019
Camberwell Girls Grammar School www.camberwellgirls.net	Academic, Music/Academic, Means Tested Scholarships in 2020	Closed
Camberwell Grammar School www.cgs.vic.edu.au	Entry to Years 7 & 9 in 2019	Closed
Carey Baptist Grammar School www.carey.com.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Year 7 in 2019	Closed
Carey Baptist Grammar School www.carey.com.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Years 10 & 11 in 2019	Closed
Doncaster Secondary College www.doncastersc.vic.edu.au	Entry to the SEAL program for Year 7 in 2020	Friday, 26 April 2019
East Doncaster Secondary College www.eastdonsc.vic.edu.au	Entrance to the ALPHA programme in 2020	Saturday, 27 April 2019
Eltham College elthamcollege.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Years 5, 7, 8 & 9 in 2020	Saturday, 23 February 2019
Fintona Girls' School www.fintona.vic.edu.au	Fintona Scholarships for entry to Years 5 - 11 in 2020	Closed
Firbank Grammar www.firbank.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Years 3 - 11 in 2020 & Scholarships for entry to Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 in 2020 (Sandringham Campus)	Closed

SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	DATE OF TEST
Footscray City College www.footscray.vic.edu.au	Entry to the SEAL Programme & Academic Scholarships for entry to Year 7 in 2020	Friday, 24 May 2019
Geelong Grammar School www.ggs.vic.edu.au	2020 Scholarships.	Saturday, 23 February 2019
Goulburn Valley Grammar School www.gvgs.vic.edu.au	Entry to Years 5, 7, 10 & 11 in 2020	Saturday, 30 March 2019
Hume Anglican Grammar www.humegrammar.vic.edu.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Years 7 & 10 in 2020	Saturday, 23 February 2019
Kardinia International College www.kardinia.vic.edu.au	Academic Scholarship for entry to Year 7 in 2020	Closed
Kingswood College www.kingswoodcollege.vic.edu.au	Entry to Years 3 - 11 in 2020	Saturday, 23 February 2019
Loreto College Ballarat loreto.vic.edu.au	Year 7, 2020 Academic Scholarships	Closed
Loreto Mandeville Hall www.loretotoorak.vic.edu.au	Sr Ruth Winship Scholarship (Means Tested Scholarship) for students entering Year 7 in 2020	Closed
Loreto Mandeville Hall www.loretotoorak.vic.edu.au	General Academic / Mathematics Scholarship for Years 5, 6 & 7 and ONLY EXTERNAL students entering Loreto Toorak in Years 10 & 11, 2020	Closed

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SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	DATE OF TEST
Luther College www.luther.vic.edu.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Year 7 in 2020 or 2021	Saturday, 23 February 2019
Marymede Catholic College www.marymede.vic.edu.au	Academic, General Excellence & Music Scholarships for entry to Year 7 in 2020	Closed
Melbourne Grammar School mgs.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Year 7 and 9 in 2020	Closed
Mentone Girls' Secondary College mgsc.vic.edu.au	Entry to the Year 7 Enhancement Program in 2020	Saturday, 18 May 2019
Mordialloc College www.mcsc.vic.edu.au	Entry to the SEAL program for Year 7 in 2020	Thursday, 09 May 2019
Nazareth College www.nazareth.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Years 7, 9 & 11 & entry to the Laurel Program (Years 7, 8 & 9) in 2020	Saturday, 04 May 2019
Newhaven College www.newhavencol.vic.edu.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Year 7 in 2020	Saturday, 23 March 2019
Oxley Christian College www.oxley.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry in 2020	Closed
Reservoir High School www.reservoirhs.vic.edu.au	Entry to the SEAL Program for Year 7 in 2020	Saturday, 11 May 2019
Sacré Cœur www.sac.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry in 2020	Closed

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SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	DATE OF TEST
Sandringham College www.sandringhamsc.vic.edu.au	Entry to the SEAL Programme in 2020	Saturday, 11 May 2019
Shelford Girls' Grammar www.shelford.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry in 2020	Closed
Southern Cross Grammar www.southerncrossgrammar.com.au	Scholarships for entry into Years 7 - 11 in 2020	Saturday, 23 February 2019
St Leonard's College www.stleonards.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry in 2020 (February 2019 sitting)	Closed
St Michael's Grammar School www.stmichaels.vic.edu.au	St Michael's Grammar School Scholarships for 2020 entry	Saturday, 23 February 2019
St Monica's College www.stmonicas-epping.com	Entrance to the HORIZONS programme in 2020	Saturday, 16 March 2019
St Paul's Anglican Grammar School stpaulsags.vic.edu.au	2020 Academic Scholarships	Saturday, 04 May 2019
Strathcona Baptist Girls Grammar School www.strathcona.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Years 5, 7, 9 & 11 in 2020	Closed
Suzanne Cory High School www.suzannecoryhs.vic.edu.au	Entry to Years 10 or 11 in 2020	Wednesday, 12 June 2019
The Geelong College www.geelongcollege.vic.edu.au	Academic Scholarships for entry to Years 7 - 11 in 2020	Closed
The Hamilton and Alexandra College www.hamiltoncollege.vic.edu.au	Academic Scholarships for entry in 2020	Saturday, 23 February 2019
The King David School www.kds.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Years 6, 8, 9, 10 & 11 in 2020	Closed
The Knox School www.knox.vic.edu.au	Academic Entrance to Year 7 in 2020	Closed

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SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	DATE OF TEST
The Mac. Robertson Girls' High School www.macrob.vic.edu.au	Entrance Examination for Year 10 & 11 in 2020	Friday, 07 June 2019
Thomas Carr College www.thomascarr.vic.edu.au	Scholarships for entry to Years 7 & 10 in 2020	Tuesday, 26 March 2019
Trinity Grammar School www.trinity.vic.edu.au	Entry to Years 5, 7 & 9 in 2020	Closed
Wesley College www.wesleycollege.net	Glen Waverley - Academic Scholarships for entry to Years 5, 7 & 10 in 2020	Closed
Wesley College www.wesleycollege.net	St Kilda Rd / Elsternwick - Academic Scholarships for entry to Years 5, 7 & 10 in 2020	Closed
Westbourne Grammar School www.westbournegrammar.com	General Excellence Scholarships for entry to Years 7 & 9 in 2020	Closed
Westbourne Grammar School www.westbournegrammar.com	Placement testing for students entering Year 9 in 2020	Saturday, 16 March 2019
Westbourne Grammar School www.westbournegrammar.com	Placement testing for students entering Year 7 in 2021	Saturday, 16 March 2019
Williamstown High School www.willhigh.vic.edu.au	Entry to the SEAL program in 2020	Saturday, 18 May 2019

ACER PRIMARY SCHOOL TEST

FORMAT INDICATIVE ONLY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

This test is **designed** for **primary** school scholarships. e.g. **Grade 4 and Grade 5.**

The format consists of:

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

Format: 25 multiple choice questions.

✓ **MATHEMATICS.** Time: 30 min.

Format: Multiple choice

✓ **WRITING.** Time: 40 min.

Format: 2 x short extended response, 40 minutes

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

(CSTP Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3) 25 minutes

TEST 2: HUMANITIES – COMPREHENSION AND INTERPRETATION

(CSTP Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3) 40 minutes

TEST 3: MATHEMATICS

(CSTP Level 1) 40 minutes

OR TEST 3: MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE

(CSTP Level 2 and Level 3) 40 minutes

TEST 4: WRITTEN EXPRESSION

(CSTP Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3) 25 minutes

WRITTEN EXPRESSION

Two topics for writing will be set to allow you to use **different styles** of writing. This part of the test is concerned with your **ability** to **express** your **thoughts** and **feelings** in writing. **What** you have to **say** and the **way you say** it will be assessed.

The **stimulus material** you are given **must be** the **basis** of your **writing**. The **stimulus** may be a **picture**, a **statement** or a **combination** of the **two**. The stimulus will allow candidates to:

- ✓ Tell a real or imagined story
- ✓ Describe a situation, incident or scene
- ✓ Outline or explain something
- ✓ Express a point of view or make an argument

Some topics might **suggest** that you **write a story**, **others** might suggest a **description**, a **conversation**, a **discussion** or a **poem**.

HUMANITIES-COMPREHENSION AND INTERPRETATION

This test **asks** you to **look** at **written** and **visual** material and answer questions on it. **All the information** you need is **printed** on the paper.

The test **contains** a **number** of units with **several questions** in each unit. **Overall** there will be **40** multiple-choice questions in this test.

MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE

This test **consists** of **32** multiple-choice questions. For **Level 1** candidates, all the questions are on aspects of **mathematics**. For **Level 2** and **Level 3** candidates, **half** the questions are on **mathematics** topics and **half** on science **topics**. The **information** is **contained** within the questions.

COOPERATIVE DATES FOR 2020 ENTRY:

Test date: Saturday 23 February 2019

Registrations open mid-September 2018

Applications close: midnight AEDT Monday 4 February 2019

ACER EXAMS

Schools undertaking the ACER exams

SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	DATE OF TEST	SCHOLARSHIP TYPE
<u>Academy of Mary Immaculate</u>	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
<u>Al Taqwa College</u>	Primary, Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
<u>Alphington Grammar School</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 16 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Assumption College</u>	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
<u>Bialik College</u>	Primary, Secondary	Fri, 15 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Caulfield Grammar School</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 16 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Cornish College</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 13 Oct 2018	Alternative Date
<u>Gilson College</u>	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
<u>Gippsland Grammar School</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 23 Feb 2019	Cooperative
<u>Girton Grammar School</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 23 Feb 2019	Cooperative
<u>Good News Lutheran College</u>	Secondary	Sat, 23 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Holy Trinity Lutheran College</u>	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
<u>Huntingtower</u>	Secondary	Sat, 16 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Ilim College, Girls Campus</u>	Secondary	Thu, 23 May 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Ilim College, Boys Campus</u>	Secondary	Sat, 25 May 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Ivanhoe Grammar School - 2020 entry</u>	Secondary	Sat, 13 Oct 2018	Alternative Date
<u>Kilvington Grammar School</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 16 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Lighthouse Christian College</u>	Secondary	Sat, 11 May 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Mater Christi College</u>	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date

SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP	DATE OF TEST	SCHOLARSHIP TYPE
<u>Mazenod College</u>	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
<u>Mentone Girls' Grammar School - 2020 entry</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 17 Nov 2018	Alternative Date
<u>Mentone Grammar School</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 16 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Methodist Ladies' College</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 23 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Nagle College</u>	Secondary	Sat, 16 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Nunawading Christian College</u>	Primary, Secondary	Thu, 02 May 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Oakleigh Grammar</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 30 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Overnewton Anglican Community College</u>	Secondary	Sat, 23 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Peninsula Grammar</u>	Primary, Secondary	Sat, 23 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Penleigh and Essendon Grammar, Level 1</u>	Secondary	Sat, 23 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Penleigh and Essendon Grammar, Levels 2 & 3</u>	Secondary	Sat, 16 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Presbyterian Ladies' College</u>	Secondary	Sat, 02 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Saint Ignatius College Geelong</u>	Secondary	Wed, 13 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>St Aloysius College</u>	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
<u>St Kevin's College</u>	Secondary	Sat, 16 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>St Mary of the Angels College</u>	Secondary	TBA	Alternative Date
<u>St Patrick's College</u>	Secondary	Sat, 23 Feb 2019	Alternative Date
<u>The Kilmore International School</u>	Secondary	Sat, 16 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Truganina College</u>	Secondary	Thu, 29 Nov 2018	Alternative Date
<u>Victory Lutheran College</u>	Secondary	Sat, 16 Mar 2019	Alternative Date
<u>Xavier College</u>	Secondary	Thu, 07 Feb 2019	Alternative Date

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 29 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 HAST FORMAT

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.