

Entry into Selective Stream Years 8 to 11, 2025

Applications for Years 8 to 11 entry to Macquarie Fields High School in 2025 open on **Friday, 21 June 2024** and the closing date is **Friday, 26 July 2024**. Applications must be received at Macquarie Fields High School by 2:30pm on Friday, 26 July 2024.

Application Process – Years 8 to 11

Detailed information regarding the application process for Years 8 to 11 entry, including eligibility criteria, is listed below:

1. [Download Application Form](#) (PDF) available from **Friday, 21 June 2024**.
2. Complete the form, listing **up to three schools** you are applying for in preferential order. A separate application needs to be made for each of the schools on your application (e.g. check each school's website for their application details).
3. Include:
 - Photocopies of the two most recent school academic reports.
 - The most recent NAPLAN results.
 - Photocopies of certificates of attainment over the past two calendar years.

No original documents will be accepted. Please provide copies in your application.

4. Applications may be submitted at each school listed on your application, along with payment (see additional information below). Submit your **completed application with relevant documentation** for Macquarie Fields High School as follows:
 - **Submit in person to the Macquarie Fields High School office by 2:30pm Friday, 26 July 2024.**

No late applications will be accepted.

We will not accept faxed or emailed applications.

5. All applicants to Macquarie Fields High School will receive a payment receipt. Macquarie Fields High School preference one applicants will also receive a letter of exam admission.
6. Students will complete the Higher Ability Selection Test (HAST) on **Saturday 3 August 2024** at the school that is their first preference on the application. (See below – The HAST)

Selection is based on the following criteria:

- Performance in the ACER Higher Ability Selection Test (HAST), and;
- An assessment by the Enrolment Committee of your child's application, including support documentation outlined in 3.

After assessment by the Enrolment Committee, an interview at the school may be offered to your child. Please be aware an invitation for interview **does not** constitute an offer of placement.

Please be advised that, currently, there are no positions available at Macquarie Fields High School. Positions may become available at the end of the school year. A Reserve list will be formed for the use of filling any vacancies in Years 8 to 11 Selective Stream. The Reserve list will remain active until the end of Term 1, 2025.

The Enrolment Committee will establish a short Reserve list in order of priority, based on the outcome of its selection process. Outcome advice will be sent to applicants by email when the Enrolment Committee has concluded its determinations.

Additional Information to Support Submissions and Payment

The Selective High Schools listed below are co-ordinating their entry test procedures for Years 8 to 11 on **Saturday, 3 August 2024**:

- Caringbah High School
- Fort Street High School (Year 11 only)
- Girraween High School
- Gosford High School
- Hornsby Girls High School
- Hurlstone Agricultural High School
- **Macquarie Fields High School**
- Northern Beaches Secondary College Manly Campus
- Penrith High School
- St George Girls High School
- Sydney Technical High School

These listed schools are utilising the Higher Ability Selection Test (HAST), prepared by the Australian Council of Educational Research (ACER). The HAST Student Information Bulletin below provides you with further details about the test.

HAST Student Information Bulletin - Secondary

If your first preference is Macquarie Fields High School, you will need to apply and pay \$130 which is payable on submission of application. This fee covers all examination costs. Your child will then sit the test at Macquarie Fields High School on Saturday, 3 August 2024. The payment must be made by 2:30pm Friday, 26 July 2024.

If Macquarie Fields High School is your second or third preference, you must still submit a completed application package to us so we can register your preference and pay \$50, which is payable on submission of application. **You cannot sit the HAST test at Macquarie Fields High School if we are not your first preference.**

If your first preference is **not** Macquarie Fields High School, you must apply, pay for, and sit the test at the school you nominate on your application form as your first preference. If you wish to apply for selective schools not on the above list, please make direct contact with the individual school. You may apply for entry to a maximum of three selective high schools in total.

Payment Examples

The amount of money that is paid to apply depends on the order preference of the schools on your application. You will sit the test at Macquarie Fields High School if it is your first preference. Payment is made using EFTPOS at the time of application submission. No refunds will be issued after Friday, 26 July 2024.

Preference	Action
1st Preference – Macquarie Fields High School (MFHS)	Payment of \$130 to MFHS Applicant will sit the HAST test at MFHS
1st Preference – Other HAST school (see above list) 2nd Preference – MFHS	Payment of \$50 to MFHS
1st Preference – NOT a HAST school 2nd Preference – MFHS	Payment of \$130 to MFHS Applicant will sit the HAST test at MFHS
1st or 2nd Preference – HAST school 3rd Preference – MFHS	Payment of \$50 to MFHS Applicant will sit the HAST test at either preference 1 school or preference 2 school
1st Preference – NOT a HAST school 2nd Preference – NOT a HAST school 3rd Preference – MFHS	Payment of \$130 to MFHS Applicant will sit the HAST test at MFHS

The Higher Ability Selection Test (HAST)

The HAST will be conducted on **Saturday, 3 August 2024**. For administrative purposes, all candidates sitting the test at Macquarie Fields High School must be present at school by 8:30am, the test will commence at 9:30am expected to conclude no earlier than 12:30pm.

Student photo identification will be required on the day of the test. A current passport or a student (school) photograph ID card are acceptable.

For other items related to the HAST test, please refer to the **[HAST Student Information Bulletin](#)**