



North Lakes | STATE COLLEGE

Signature Program

Italian Immersion

2023



Overview

North Lakes State College commits to providing pathways for excellence. The Italian Immersion program will continue for three years starting in Year 7. The program aims to challenge and extend those students who have outstanding capability and aptitude for languages, and have demonstrated excellent academic achievements.

The Year 7 Immersion Program is designed to gradually introduce students to lessons undertaken in Italian. By Term 4, Maths, Science and Italian classes will be extensively delivered in Italian.

The students who are in the program have the opportunity to work in a class of like-minded, devoted and committed students learning the Australian Curriculum in Italian. from Years 7-9 with qualified and dedicated native and near native speaking teachers. All other subjects are delivered in English.

Selection Process

The Italian Immersion Program at North Lakes State College aims to challenge and extend those students who have demonstrated an outstanding academic capability and aptitude for languages.

Minimum standards for Entry

Academic Achievement

To support student's success in the program, applicants are required to achieve

- Minimum of a 'B' standard for Language Studies – Italian or Chinese (or any other language study)
- Minimum of a 'B' standard for the core learning areas (Maths, Science, English and Humanities) on their report cards at the end of Semester 1 in Year 6

Effort and Behaviour Achievement

Student success in the Italian Immersion Program also requires high levels of concentration and dedication to study. Applicants for the program are therefore required to have achieved at least a 'VG' standard for effort and behaviour in English, Maths, Science, Humanities and Italian, as listed on their report card.

Endorsement by Year 6 Teacher

Learning in the Italian Immersion Program is not always easy and, at times, the student will encounter situations that require them to demonstrate persistence and resilience. Upon receipt of the application, the Head of Department – Languages and IT will consult the student's current Year 6 classroom and language teacher (if possible). This endorsement will indicate their confirmation (or reservation) that the student is of suitable social and emotional maturity to meet these challenges.



Reconsideration at the End of Semester 2

Students who do not meet these minimum standards at Semester 1 reporting may apply again at the end of Semester 2 if sufficient improvement has been made. Entry, in these circumstances, will be granted at the discretion of the Head of Department – Languages and Global Connections, subject to the availability of places in the class.

Limits on student enrolment

The Italian Immersion class requires a minimum enrolment to proceed in Year 7 and has a maximum capacity of 28 students.

If the accepted applicants are fewer than the required numbers, the class might not proceed, and the students will be timetabled into the mainstream program.

In a situation where the number of eligible applicants exceeds the maximum allowable class size (28 students), the College will conduct a suitability process.

Conditions of Ongoing Enrolment

The signing of the application form acknowledges the acceptance of these conditions:

Academic Achievement

Students participating in the Year 7 Italian Immersion Program may notice a drop in their levels of achievement during the first term or semester as they adjust to the rigours of studying in Italian. In order to maintain the enrolment, students must retain a high level of achievement in all subject areas. Any students who achieves a 'D' standard or lower for an Immersion subject in two consecutive terms will be issued with a 'notice' letter and will be required to attend an interview with their parents/caregivers, the subject teacher and the Head of Department. Subsequent failure of the same or any other Immersion subject may result in cancellation of the student's enrolment in the program.

Behaviour

As a Signature Program of North Lakes State College, a very high standard of effort and behaviour is expected of all students who enrol in the Italian Immersion Program. Upon enrolment in the Italian Immersion Program, students will be required to sign a behaviour agreement.



Lodging an Application

Applications for the Italian Immersion Program close on **Friday 7 October 2022**

Please complete the following Application Form, including the Student's Personal Statement with the documentary evidence required and forward to:

Post:

North Lakes State College
P O Box 335
North Lakes, Qld 4509

Email:

immersion@northlakescollege.eq.edu.au

In Person:

Enrolments Officer
Client Service, Main Campus, Joyner Cct
North Lakes State College



Application Form

Applicant Details		
Surname	First name	Middle Name
Address		Gender M / F
Suburb	State	Postcode
Parent/Guardian 1		
Surname	First name	Relation to Applicant
Address <i>(if different to above)</i>		
Suburb	State	Postcode
Phone	Mobile	
Email		
Parent/Guardian 2		
Surname	First name	Relation to Applicant
Address <i>(if different to above)</i>		
Suburb	State	Postcode
Phone	Mobile	
Email		
Documentary Evidence: Please ensure the following documentation is attached to your application.		
<input type="checkbox"/> copy of applicant's Semester 1 report card		
Student and Parent/Caregiver Consent		
In signing this form, we accept the conditions of entry and continued enrolment in the Italian Immersion Program at North Lakes State College.		
Parent / Guardian 1 Signature		
Parent / Guardian 2 Signature		
Signature of Student		Date: / /
Student and Parent/Caregiver Consent		
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