

An Independent Public School

Thank you for your interest and application in attending the Harvey Ag College.

We are pleased to offer your child an interview with one of our senior staff.

Please see below the "Student Selection Process" which shows you the process the College takes from application to position offered. We hope this will assist you in understanding the procedure.

In addition to the interview, you will be given a presentation by the Principal about the College and the courses on offer, as well as a brief walk around the campus. **Please arrive 15 minutes prior.**

Please confirm if your child will be attending this interview by contacting Sue Fimmano on 97822100 or email Suzanne.Fimmano@education.wa.edu.au.

If you have any additional information that you would like to be included with your child's application to the College *prior to the interview* if you have not already done so.

Selection process

- 1. Students apply to the college the year before they wish to enrol using the required forms and provide school reports and any supporting information such as employment references, portfolio, and resumes.
- 2. An initial screening is made based on Attitude Behaviour and Effort (ABE) and comments in the school reports. Students exhibiting significant behaviour issues are not offered an interview but are invited to provide the college with an improved report at a later date.
- 3. Students whose reports indicate satisfactory ABE and behaviour are offered an interview. The interview is designed to provide additional detail around the following criteria:
 - Demonstrated interest in agriculture and/or related trades.

Indicators Previous experience

Hobbies

Work experience- paid/unpaid.

School subject choices

Positive behaviour in learning environments

Indicators School reports – attendance – behaviour - trust

References, letters of commendation, leadership positions

A career goal corresponding to the College programs.

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Compatibility to a residential environment (if a boarding student)

Indicators Independence

Ability to self-regulate and self-manage.

Behaviour- trust

Positive interactions with peers- sports hobbies

- 4. Interview- conducted by a member of Senior staff utilizing a standard set of questions and referring to the school reports and other materials provided. On the day of the interview, the prospective student and parents will be given a presentation on the College and a tour of the facilities. The College conducts eight interviews each week from midterm 1 through to midterm 3.
- 5. Ranking students: Scores for each of the selection criteria are allocated based on a standardised response schedule and a total score is calculated for each student. Students are ranked on the basis of their total score. There is no consideration for farmer's children, local children, siblings of current students etc.
- 6. Offering places: Three rounds of offers are made over the year. The College utilizes the ranked list of prospective students and works from highest to lowest scores. Students that aren't offered a place in a round remain on the ranked list and are considered in each of the following rounds. The rounds of offers align with other Colleges to streamline decision making for students who have applied to more than one College.

The three rounds of offers are made over the year as follows.

Round	Date	Approximate % offers
1	Term 2 week 2	40%
2	Term 3 week 2	40%
3	Term 3 week 7	20%

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