# Programs of Excellence (GIEP, MEX, Ken-X) Enrolment Guide for Year 7 in 2024





Kenmore State
High School

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#### **Ken-X Program**

The Kenmore Extension Program (Ken-X) is a selective entry three-year program designed to engage and challenge our brightest young minds to be successful in a rapidly evolving future. Students undertaking this program have exposure to new and innovative learning experiences, and solve real-world problems with the aid of emerging technologies, viewed through the lens of self, community and the world. Learning experiences have a strong focus on STEM and are structured to support the development of the six 21<sup>st</sup> century learning competencies – critical thinking, creativity, communication, collaboration, character and citizenship.

### **German Immersion and Extension Program**

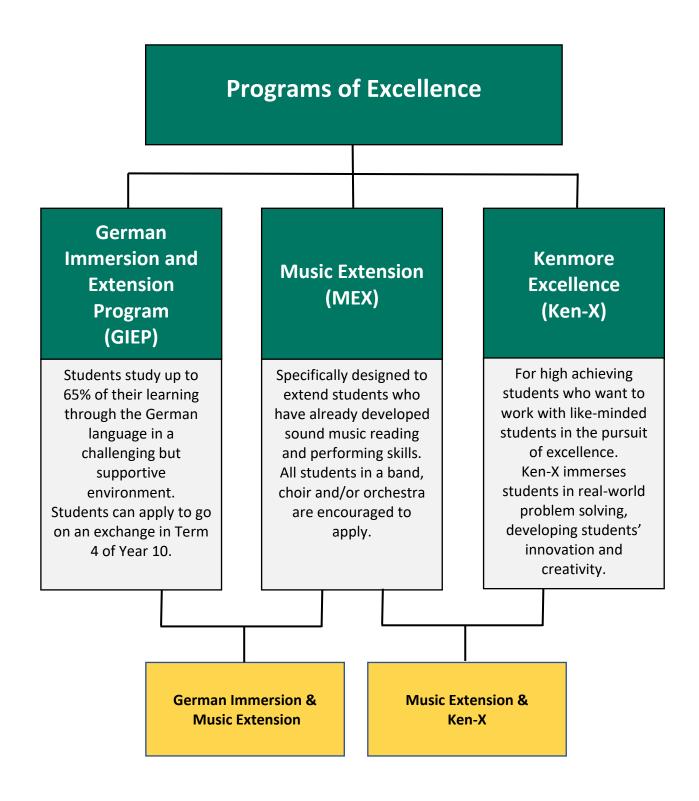
The German Immersion and Extension Program (GIEP) is a selective entry four-year program of academic excellence offering students a unique opportunity to become highly proficient in German. Students learn a number of subjects using German as the medium of communication, allowing students to challenge themselves academically while studying 65% of their program in the German language. In Year 10, students have the opportunity of an exchange at our sister school Engelsburg Gymnasium in Kassel, Germany. Students study the regular Year 12 German course in Year 11 and have the option to partake in the German Extension course in Year 12.

### **Music Extension Program**

Music Extension (MEX) is a selective entry program specifically designed to extend students who have already developed sound music reading and performing skills throughout the primary years of education. This exciting two-and-a-half-year program allows students to develop advanced skills, in a challenging atmosphere, with other like-minded musicians. Creative performance opportunities involve full class, small group and solo performances and students develop skills in a variety of instruments including guitar and keyboard, as well as voice.



## **Programs of Excellence Flowchart**



For more information about the school's Program of Excellence, visit: <a href="https://www.kenmoreshs.eq.edu.au/curriculum/programs-of-excellence">www.kenmoreshs.eq.edu.au/curriculum/programs-of-excellence</a>



# **Frequently Asked Questions**

Can I apply for more than one Program of Excellence?	Students can apply for more than one Program of Excellence. Refer to the Program of Excellence Flowchart to see which programs students can participate in.
How do I apply for a Program of Excellence?	To be considered for conditional entry in our Programs of Excellence, parents and students are required to complete the online Program of Excellence Application Form. Refer to the school's website for important documentation and dates.
Are there any application fees?	A non-refundable administration fee of \$200.00 applies for a Program of Excellence application. If applying for multiple programs, only one administration fee is required.
Can I accept a place in more than one program?	Students will only receive one offer into a program (this includes combined programs).
What happens after I accept a place in a Program of Excellence?	Students must attend one Accelerate Program workshop per term in 2023 with dates and details to be provided to successful applicants at the beginning of 2023, as well as attend an enrolment interview in Year 6.
How is the timetable structure different from mainstream classes?	There is an excellent comparison of timetable structures at the front of the <i>Junior Secondary Curriculum Handbook</i> (available on the school's website). You will be able to compare across courses and with the mainstream timetable.
How many places are offered in Ken-X, MEX & GIEP?	Our Enrolment Management Plan (EMP) provides for up to two (2) classes of each Program of Excellence per year level.
If I am successful in securing entry into a Program of Excellence, am I required to attend the Accelerate Program?	Once you have accepted a position in our Program of Excellence your student will be invited to attend the compulsory Accelerate Program workshops held once per term throughout Year 6. Dates and details will be provided to successful applicants at the beginning of the year.
I live outside catchment and haven't been offered a place in a Program of Excellence - can I still enrol?	Students not offered a place in an excellence program are welcome to apply for Year 7 enrolment.
Can I apply for entry into a Program of Excellence after the application closing date?	Applications received after the closing date will be placed on the waitlist and parents will be contacted only if positions become available.
Am I required to attend an interview?	All students are required to attend a Year 7 Enrolment Interview including those who have received an offer for conditional entry into a Program of Excellence. Enrolment interviews are held annually on the first Saturday in June while students are in Year 6. More information will be provided to parents closer to the time.
Who do I contact if I need further information about Programs of Excellence?	GIEP – Ms Chrissie Geuthner (GIEP@kenmoreshs.eq.edu.au) MEX – Ms Barbara Levien (MEX@kenmoreshs.eq.edu.au) Ken-X – Mr Daniel Robins (Ken-X@kenmoreshs.eq.edu.au)



# Programs of Excellence - Year 7 in 2024

#### Information Sessions on Open Day – Saturday 20 May 2024

Refer to the 2023 Open Day program for session timings and how to register to attend Open Day at www.kenmoreshs.eq.edu.au/enrolments/open-days

#### Music Extension Program of Excellence Selective Entry (MEX)

Online auditions, application and payment due date Saturday 3 June 2023

German Immersion Program of Excellence Selective Entry (GIEP)		
Test bookings and payment due date	Wednesday 31 May 2023	
30-minute Test date	Saturday 3 June 2023	

Kenmore Excellence Program Selective Entry (Ken-X)		
Test bookings and payment due date	Wednesday 31 May 2023	
1-hour Test date	Saturday 3 June 2023	

Enrolment Interviews		
All students are required to attend a Year 7 Enrolment Interview on Saturday 3 June 2023 with all interviews to be held on this day. Bookings are essential.		
Bookings open	7:00am Monday 22 May 2023	
Bookings close	7:00pm Wednesday 31 May 2023	
Interview date	Saturday 3 June 2023	
Book your enrolment interview via		
www.kenmoreshs.eq.edu.au/enrolments/enrolling-at-our-school		

Please note that limited places remain available for Year 7 2024 Programs of Excellence given that applications have moved to Year 5 conditional entry. Students can still apply for 2024 (if currently in Year 6) for remaining places and testing will be conducted on enrolment day, Saturday 3 June for GIEP and Ken-X. Bookings to be made <a href="http://eq.sobs.com.au/pt3/parent.php?schoolid=70659">http://eq.sobs.com.au/pt3/parent.php?schoolid=70659</a>
MEX online applications are due Saturday 3 June 2023.



# **Application Process – Year 7 in 2024**

German Immersion	Music Extension	Ken-X
Step 1: Download and complete	Step 1: Download and complete	Step 1: Read the Ken-X brochure
the GIEP Application Form for	the MEX Application Form for	(on website).
2024 (on website). Please note	2024. Attach copies of AMEB	
there is a section on the	certificates or other certificates	Step 2: Register to attend Open
application form that is required	that support your application,	Day on Saturday 20 May from
to be completed by your primary	and upload your audition	9:00am – 12:00pm and collect
school.	video/s and all documentation	and Enrolment Application
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Step 2: Register to attend Open Day on Saturday 20 May from	Saturday 3 June 2023 (on website).	(booklets available on the school's website from May).
9:00am – 12:00pm and collect	website).	school's website from May).
and Enrolment Application	Step 2: Register to attend Open	Step 3: Book an enrolment
Booklet for Year 7 in 2024	Day on Saturday 20 May from	interview for Saturday 3 June
(booklets available on the	9:00am – 12:00pm and collect	2023. This is the only available
school's website from May).	and Enrolment Application	date for enrolment interviews
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Step 3: Book an enrolment	(booklets available on the	refer to the Year 7, 2024
interview for Saturday 3 June	school's website from May).	Enrolment Timelines.
2023. This is the only available		
date for enrolment interviews	Step 3: Book an enrolment	Step 4: Attend our pre-booked
and bookings are essential –	interview for Saturday 3 June	enrolment interview on Saturday
refer to the Year 7, 2024	2023. This is the only available	3 June 2023. Bring the
Enrolment Timelines. Allow 30	date for enrolment interviews	completed Enrolment
minutes before or after the	and bookings are essential –	Application Booklet for Year 7 in
interview for your student to complete a GIEP Entrance	refer to the Year 7, 2024 Enrolment Timelines.	2024 with all supporting documentation. Be sure to
Questionnaire.	Linoinient innemies.	complete the Program of
Questionnaire.	<b>Step 4:</b> Attend our pre-booked	Excellence EOI indicating your
Step 4: Attend our pre-booked	enrolment interview on Saturday	intention to apply for Ken-X.
enrolment interview on Saturday	3 June 2023. Bring the	Students are to attend an ACER
3 June 2023. Bring the	completed Enrolment	test and Entrance Examination
completed Enrolment	Application Booklet for Year 7 in	one hour before or after their
Application Booklet for Year 7 in	2024 with all supporting	interview. All components must
2024 with all supporting	documentation. Ensure	be completed by 3pm. Tests are
documentation and completed	completed MEX Application	booked on SOBS
GIEP Application Form for 2024.	Form and supporting	http://eq.sobs.com.au/pt3/pare
Students are to attend a GIEP	documentation/videos are	nt.php?schoolid=70659
Entrance Questionnaire 30 minutes before or after their	uploaded to OneDrive or Google	
	Drive.	
interview (last entry time in		



2:30pm). Tests are booked on

SOBS

http://eq.sobs.com.au/pt3/pare nt.php?schoolid=70659

Important Note: If your student has already had a GIEP Entrance Interview and been offered a placement in 2024, you do not need to bring a GIEP Application Form or complete an Entrance Questionnaire at the enrolment interview.

Important Note: Once your student has attended and enrolment Interview and submitted a MEX Application Form with supporting documentation/videos, a panel will then meet to review applications. However, the panel may request some applicants attend a face to face audition. Notification will be provided to these audition applicants by email.

Important Note: On the day of the enrolment interview, students who have applied for Ken-X will be asked to respond to two challenges. You will need to allow one hour before or after their interview to complete the ACER Test and Entrance Examination required for entry into Ken-X. Please note all components of the Ken-X interview and application process must be completed by 3:00pm.

German Immersion & Music Extension	Music Extension & Ken-X
<b>Step 1:</b> Follow the steps for GIEP as above.	Step 1: Follow the steps for Ken-X as above.
<b>Step 2:</b> Follow the admissions process for the Music Extension Program. Complete the MEX Application Form for 2024 and required supporting documentation.	<b>Step 2:</b> Follow the admissions process for the Music Extension Program. Complete the MEX Application Form for 2024 and required supporting documentation.

#### Programs of Excellence enrolment applications close Wednesday 31 May 2023

**Please note:** A non-refundable administration fee of \$200.00 must be paid by Wednesday 13 May for Excellence Programs.



# **Enrolment Timelines - Year 7 in 2024**

2022		
Program of Excellence applications open	Term 3, 2022 Week 8 – Monday 29 August	
Program of Excellence Information Evening 5:00pm – 6.30pm S Block, Level 2, S207 Register via the Programs of Excellence webpage	Term 3, 2022 Week 10 - Wednesday 14 September	
<ul> <li>Program of Excellence applications close</li> <li>Online application form due</li> <li>Application fee due via Qkr!</li> </ul>	<b>Term 4, 2022</b> Week 2 - Friday 14 October	
<ul> <li>Entrance Examinations</li> <li>Ken-X Entrance Examination &amp; ACER Test</li> <li>GIEP Entrance Examination</li> <li>MEX Audition Videos due via online submission</li> <li>Supporting documentation due</li> </ul>	<b>Term 4, 2022</b> Week 5 - Saturday 5 November 9.00am – 12.00pm	
Round 1 Program of Excellence Offers  • First-round offers for specialist programs  • Acceptance/non-acceptance of these offers due 9 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Week 8, Term 4 2022</b> W/ c 21 November 2022	
2023		
<ul> <li>Round 2 Program of Excellence Offers</li> <li>Final offers for specialist programs</li> <li>Acceptance/non-acceptance of these offers due 10<sup>th</sup> February</li> </ul>	<b>Term 1, 2023</b> Week 1 - W/ c 23 January 2023	
<ul> <li>Open Day</li> <li>School tours, subject and extra-curricular interactive stalls, enrolment information sessions</li> <li>Hardcopy enrolment application booklets available for Year 7 in 2024</li> <li>Register via the Open Day webpage</li> </ul>	<b>Term 2, 2023</b> Week 5 - Saturday 20 May 2023 9:00am – 12:00pm	
Book an Enrolment Interview     All students need to have a Year 7 interview including those already accepted into a Program of Excellence Book your enrolment interview via the Enrolling at our school webpage	Term 2, 2023  Bookings open 7.00am Monday 22 May 2023  Bookings close 7.00pm Wednesday 31 May 2023	



Enrolment Interviews	
<ul> <li>Getting to know your child</li> <li>Enrolment documentation collected</li> <li>Enrolment interviews available only on this date</li> <li>GIEP &amp; KEN-X testing – limited places available</li> <li>MEX online applications due</li> </ul>	<b>Term 2, 2023</b> Week 7 - Saturday 3 June 2023 8:00am – 3:00pm
<ul> <li>In catchment offers</li> <li>Mail out of letters confirming enrolment to incatchment students</li> </ul>	<b>Term 2, 2023</b> Week 9 - W/ c 12 June 2023
<ul> <li>Out of catchment offers</li> <li>Mail out of letters confirming enrolment to in-catchment students</li> </ul>	Term 3, 2023
<ul> <li>Uniform Fittings &amp; Orders</li> <li>Visits to alliance primary schools for fittings / orders</li> <li>Also available at Kenmore SHS Uniform Shop</li> <li>More information and dates available in primary newsletters late Term 3 2023</li> </ul>	<b>Term 4, 2023</b> Weeks 6 & 7
<ul> <li>Orientation Day</li> <li>School tour</li> <li>Getting to know classmates and teachers</li> <li>Draft timetables distributed</li> <li>Bus orientation</li> </ul>	<b>Term 4, 2023</b> Week 9 – Friday 1 December 2023

Please note dates and times are subject to change. Please refer to the school's website for the most upto-date information.

