

Information for Students, Parents, Teachers

Criteria to Determine Dux and Proxime Accessit, 2017

The following details outline the criteria to be used in determining the Dux and Proxime Accessit of the Senior College:

- Students must have studied 5 level 3 subjects in order to qualify. This can be over 2 academic years.
- A grade point average (GPA) is calculated for each subject. (See below for an example). For subjects studied this year, the GPA is determined from internal assessment and Derived Grade exam results. For subjects studied at level 3 in 2016, actual NCEA grades are used.
- The GPA's from the **best** 5 subjects are added together and a total calculated.
- Students who studied a subject at level 3 in 2016 and are repeating the subject (or individual standards) in 2017 will have their best result from each standard counted towards the GPA for that subject.
- Dux of the Senior College is awarded to the student with the highest total (out of 500), Proximae Accessit of the Senior College to the person with the second highest total.

Grade point average is calculated as follows: For each standard:

- Excellence grade scores 4 points
- Merit grade scores 3 points
- Achieved grade scores 2 points

Using a 24 credit course as an example, the maximum possible score will be 24×4 (excellence grade on all standards, 24 credit course) = 96.

A student who gains excellence on all standards will score 96 from a possible 96, or a GPA 100.

A student who gains merit on all standards will score 72 (24×3) from a possible 96, or GPA of 75.

And so on!

Any questions should be directed to Mr Summerfield or Mr Anderson.