

HAST

Higher Ability Selection Test

HAST is a selection test used by schools to identify academically gifted students for participation in accelerated learning or enhancement programs.



The HAST program delivers:

Quality

- Rigorous tests in reading comprehension, mathematical and scientific reasoning, abstract reasoning and written expression
- Tests that discriminate between students at the top-end of performance
- Tests that are skill based rather than curriculum based and designed to identify innate ability rather than acquired knowledge
- Tests that are monitored according to strict performance standards

Choice

- Schools can choose from a range of test packages that will meet particular educational needs
- Tests are available at all levels of secondary school including first level entry
- Schools choose the test date

Service

- Test package includes test booklets, answer booklets, candidate information bulletin and test administration guidelines
- 10 working day turn around between receipt of the completed tests and the provision of results
- Merit order school report includes raw and standardised scores, percentiles and stanines using Australian referenced data
- Accessible student report charts each individual performance against the cohort
- Complimentary assistance in the interpretation of results
- Customised analysis and reporting available on request

The HAST program is used in secondary schools across Australia and internationally.

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Candidate Rate Sheet

Test packages <i>Junior, Middle and Senior Secondary levels</i>	Description <i>Tests are available at the Junior, Middle and Senior Secondary levels.</i>	2021 per Candidate Rate <i>GST included</i>
4 test package: 3 multiple choice tests 1 written expression test	Reading Comprehension – 40-45 minutes Written Expression 1 or 2 – Discussion or creative topic – 25 minutes Mathematical Reasoning (<i>Junior Secondary</i>) or Mathematics & Science (<i>Middle and Senior Secondary</i>) – 40 minutes Abstract Reasoning – 30-40 minutes Test administration time (includes instructions and breaks): 3 hrs 20 mins approximately	\$76.00
3 test package: 2 multiple choice tests 1 written expression test	Reading Comprehension – 40-45 minutes Written Expression 1 or 2 – Discussion or creative topic – 25 minutes Mathematical Reasoning (<i>Junior Secondary</i>) or Mathematics & Science (<i>Middle and Senior Secondary</i>) – 40 minutes Test administration time (includes instructions and breaks): 2 hrs 40 mins approximately	\$73.00
3 test package: 3 multiple choice tests	Reading Comprehension – 40-45 minutes Mathematical Reasoning (<i>Junior Secondary</i>) or Mathematics & Science (<i>Middle and Senior Secondary</i>) – 40 minutes Abstract Reasoning – 30-40 minutes Test administration time (includes instructions and breaks): 2 hrs 45 mins approximately	\$70.00
4 test package: and 3 test package:	Test packages ordered but not used will incur an unused test package charge	\$6.50

- The per candidate rate applies to the final number of candidates who sit the test.
- A **minimum** per-candidate rate equivalent to **10** candidates applies to each test date.
- A total of less than 10 students will be charged as 10.

The 2021 per candidate rate* includes:

- Candidate Information Bulletin
- Tests
- HAST Answer Booklets
- HAST Administration Guidelines
- Supervisor's Directions for testing
- Alphabetic and Merit Order Listing of Results – electronic copy
- Individual Student Certificates – electronic

The **total fee** is based on the final number of candidates who sit the test plus one batch charge of **\$110** for each test date. Schools will be invoiced after results are sent.

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Test Levels

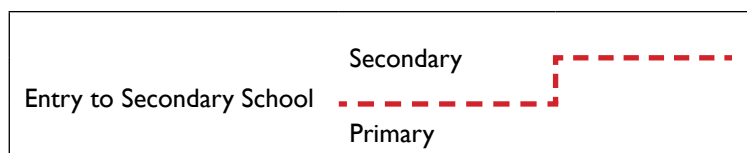
HAST test packages are available at the Primary, Junior Secondary, Middle Secondary and Senior Secondary levels.

The choice of test level is determined by the candidate's current year level at the time of the HAST test and not the age of the candidate.

Test packages can be used for entry into a year level in the same calendar year as the test date or for entry in the following calendar year.

HAST test levels and candidate placement according to the state or territory

Candidate's current year level and approx. age ¹	VIC	NSW	ACT	TAS	NT	WA	QLD	Candidate's current year level and approx. age	SA
Year 11 (15.5 – 17 years of age)	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Year 11 (15 – 16.5 years of age)	Senior Secondary
Year 10 (14.5 – 16 years of age)	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Senior Secondary	Year 10 (14 – 15.5 years of age)	Senior Secondary
Year 9 (13.5 – 15 years of age)	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Year 9 (13 – 14.5 years of age)	Middle Secondary
Year 8 (12.5 – 14 years of age)	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Middle Secondary	Year 8 (12 – 13.5 years of age)	Junior Secondary
Year 7 (11.5 – 13 years of age)	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Year 7 (11 – 12.5 years of age)	Junior Secondary
Year 6 (10.5 – 12 years of age)	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Junior Secondary	Year 6 (10 – 11.5 years of age)	Junior Secondary
Year 5	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	Year 5	HAST-P
Year 4	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	HAST-P	Year 4	HAST-P



¹ There are no age restrictions to sitting the HAST at the primary or secondary level. While age is taken into consideration in the development of the tests at the Primary, Junior Secondary, Middle Secondary and Senior Secondary levels the age of the candidate does not determine placement into a particular test level.