



# PINE RIVERS

## STATE HIGH SCHOOL

PROGRAMS OF EXCELLENCE

**ACADEMIC**  
PROGRAM OF  
EXCELLENCE

**MUSICAL THEATRE**  
PROGRAM OF  
EXCELLENCE

**TOUCH FOOTBALL**  
PROGRAM OF  
EXCELLENCE

**VOLLEYBALL**  
PROGRAM OF  
EXCELLENCE

Dear Parent/Carer,

Pine Rivers State High School invites applications for Year 7, 2027 **Academic Programs of Excellence** in the following areas:

1. **Academic Program of Excellence** is a selective academic program designed to support students who demonstrate strong academic achievement, a commitment to learning, and a readiness for challenge. The program reflects Pine Rivers State High School's high expectations for student learning and our belief that students thrive when they are supported to think deeply, work collaboratively, and take responsibility for their learning. The program curates a sense of belonging alongside like-minded peers, engaging deeply with the PINE values whilst connecting with industry and community experts.
2. **Musical Theatre Program of Excellence** is a cornerstone of our commitment to providing a comprehensive and enriching educational experience. We proudly present our Musical Theatre Excellence Program as a platform for students to explore, express, and excel in the world of musical theatre. Join us as we cultivate talent, foster creativity, and promote artistic excellence. At Pine Rivers State High School, we believe in the transformative power of The Arts to inspire, educate, and unite individuals. With over 40 years of annual school musicals the Musical Theatre Program of Excellence provides students with a dynamic and supportive environment where they can develop their musical theatre skills, explore diverse genres, and build lifelong appreciation for the arts.
3. **Sport Program of Excellence – Volleyball/Touch Football** is an integral part of our high-performing school experience, we proudly present volleyball and touch football as avenues for students to excel both athletically and academically. Join us as we cultivate teamwork, skill mastery, and sportsmanship in a dynamic and supportive environment. We recognise the importance of academic success alongside athletic achievement. We believe in the concept of Student Athletes- where being a student is always first. Your participation in this Program of Excellence stems from your commitment to training and your commitment to your effort and behaviour in class. Our program emphasises time management and prioritization to support students in excelling both in and out of the classroom.

As part of the application process, successful students will be required to participate in **Level Up Days**, designed to provide students and families with a clear understanding of the expectations and culture of the **Program of Excellence**.

*Invitations may be submitted for multiple Programs of Excellence; however, due to the structure of the programs, Sport and Musical Theatre may not be undertaken concurrently. Offers may be made for the Academic Program of Excellence as a standalone option, or in conjunction with either Sport or Musical Theatre.*

#### Level Up Days:

- A **testing morning** (8:00am–10:00am) focused on literacy, numeracy, and higher-order thinking skills (**Academic POE** only)
- A **full-day of immersion**, where students experience extension learning through inquiry-based and collaborative tasks (**Academic, Musical Theatre and Sport POEs**).

Selection into the Programs of Excellence is based on a range of evidence, including recent school reports, Year 5 NAPLAN results and student participation in **Level Up Day** immersion activities. **Participation in the application process does not guarantee entry into the program.**

Pine Rivers State High School values strong partnerships with families and primary schools and is committed to ensuring a fair, transparent, and supportive selection process. We encourage families to carefully review the attached application form and ensure all required documentation is submitted by the closing date.

Should you require further information, please contact the school directly [excellenceprograms@pineriversshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:excellenceprograms@pineriversshs.eq.edu.au)

We look forward to working in partnership with families to support students as they prepare for the transition to secondary schooling.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr Richard James**  
**Principal**  
**Pine Rivers State High School**

**Pine Rivers State High School**  
**Pine Rivers SHS Programs of Excellence**  
**Application Form**

**Student Details**

Student Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary School: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Year of Entry to Pine Rivers SHS: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent / Carer Details**

Parent/Carer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferences (please rank in order):**

Academic       Musical Theatre       Sport (Touch)       Sport (Volleyball)

## Pine Rivers State High School

### Pine Rivers SHS Academic Program of Excellence

#### Academic Program of Excellence Evidence (Required)

As part of the Academic Program of Excellence application process, families are required to submit evidence of the student's academic achievement.

Please attach the following documentation:

- Two (2) most recent school report cards
- Year 5 NAPLAN results (all available domains)
- Any other relevant supporting evidence (e.g. endorsement from primary school teacher/principal, certificates from external academic competitions)

***Please note: Applications that do not include the required documentation cannot be considered.***

#### Academic Level Up – Attendance Requirements

As part of the Academic Program of Excellence selection process, students will be required to attend **two Academic: Level Up sessions** at Pine Rivers State High School.

These sessions reflect Pine Rivers SHS's commitment to providing equitable opportunities for students to demonstrate readiness for academic challenge, while supporting a confident and informed transition to secondary schooling. **Full details of these events will be communicated with provisional offers in July.**

##### 1. Academic Level Up – Testing Morning

- Time: **8:00am – 10:00am.**
- Focus: Literacy, numeracy, and higher-order thinking
- Purpose: Structured academic testing and problem-solving tasks

**Parents to drop students to Pine Rivers SHS from 7.30am for 8.00am start.**

##### 2. Academic Level Up – Immersion Day

- Time: **Full school day**
- Focus: Extension learning, collaboration, and inquiry-based tasks
- Purpose: To experience the learning environment, expectations, and teaching approaches of the Academic Program of Excellence at Pine Rivers SHS

**Parents to drop students to Pine Rivers SHS from 8.30am for 9.00am start. Students to be collected at 3.00pm**

**Attendance at both sessions is compulsory** for students provisionally accepted into the Academic Program of Excellence.

#### Timelines:

**Applications Open:** 13<sup>th</sup> May April 2026 (Open Day)

**Applications Close:** 4.00pm 26 June 2026

**Provisional Offers Made:** No later than Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July

**Academic Level Up Testing Morning:** TBC (Term 3)

**Academic Level Up Immersion Day:** TBC (Term 4)

## Pine Rivers State High School

### Pine Rivers SHS Musical Theatre Program of Excellence

#### Academic and Performance Evidence (Required)

As part of the Musical Theatre Academic Program of Excellence application process, families are required to submit evidence of the student's academic achievement.

Please attach the following documentation:

- Two (2) most recent school report cards
- Year 5 NAPLAN results (all available domains)
- An audition, demonstrating competence in chosen area/s of Musical Theatre

**Please note: Applications that do not include the required documentation cannot be considered.**

#### Musical Theatre: Level Up – Attendance Requirements

As part of the Musical Theatre Program of Excellence selection process, successful students will be required to attend a **Level Up session** at Pine Rivers State High School.

This session reflects Pine Rivers SHS's commitment to providing equitable opportunities for students to demonstrate proficiency in Musical Theatre, while supporting a confident and informed transition to secondary schooling. **Full details of these events will be communicated with provisional offers in July.**

#### Musical Theatre : Level Up – Immersion Day

- Time: **Full school day**
- Focus: Extension learning, collaboration, and inquiry-based tasks
- Purpose: To experience the learning environment, expectations, and teaching approaches of the Musical Theatre Program of Excellence at Pine Rivers SHS

**Parents to drop students to Pine Rivers SHS from 8.30am for 9.00am start. Students to be collected at 3.00pm**

**Attendance at this session is compulsory** for students provisionally accepted into the Musical Theatre Program of Excellence.

#### Timelines:

**Applications Open:** 13<sup>th</sup> May April 2026 (Open Day)

**Applications Close:** 4.00pm 26 June 2026

**Provisional Offers Made:** No later than Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July

**Musical Theatre and Sport Level Up Immersion Day:** TBC (Term 3)

## Pine Rivers State High School

### Pine Rivers SHS Sport Program of Excellence

#### Sport Program of Excellence Evidence (Required)

As part of the Sporting Program of Excellence application process, families are required to submit evidence of the student's academic achievement.

Please attach the following documentation:

- Two (2) most recent school report cards
- Year 5 NAPLAN results (all available domains)
- Any other relevant supporting evidence (eg endorsement from primary school teacher/principal, certificates from external academic competitions, evidence of representation in Representative teams)

***Please note: Applications that do not include the required documentation cannot be considered.***

#### Sport Level Up – Attendance Requirements

As part of the Sporting Program of Excellence selection process, successful students will be required to attend a **Sport Level Up session** at Pine Rivers State High School.

These sessions reflect Pine Rivers SHS's commitment to providing equitable opportunities for students to demonstrate readiness for academic challenge, while supporting a confident and informed transition to secondary schooling. **Full details of these events will be communicated with provisional offers in July.**

#### Sport Level Up – Immersion Day

- Time: **Full school day**
- Focus: Biometric and fitness testing. Sport specific training
- Purpose: To experience the learning environment, expectations, and teaching approaches of the Sporting Program of Excellence at Pine Rivers SHS

**Parents to drop students to Pine Rivers SHS from 8.30am for 9.00am start. Students to be collected at 3.00pm**

**Attendance at this session is compulsory** for students provisionally accepted into the Sporting Program of Excellence.

#### Timelines:

**Applications Open:** 13<sup>th</sup> May April 2026 (Open Day)

**Applications Close:** 4.00pm 26 June 2026

**Provisional Offers Made:** No later than Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July

**Musical Theatre and Sport Level Up Immersion Day:** TBC (Term 3)

## Media Consent

From time to time, Pine Rivers State High School may photograph or record students participating in school programs and activities, including **Level Up** sessions.

These images and recordings may be used for:

- School newsletters, annual reports, and promotional materials
- The Pine Rivers State High School website
- Official Pine Rivers State High School social media channels
- Queensland Department of Education publications and communications

Images will be used respectfully and will not include identifying personal information unless otherwise authorised.

Please indicate your consent:

I give consent for my child to be photographed and/or recorded and for these images to be used as outlined above.

I do not give consent for my child to be photographed and/or recorded for these purposes.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Carer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Privacy Statement

Pine Rivers State High School collects personal information on this form in accordance with the **Education (General Provisions) Act 2006** for the purpose of assessing eligibility for the PRSHS Programs of Excellence.

Information collected will be used by authorised school staff to support application, selection, and transition processes and will be managed in accordance with the **Information Privacy Act 2009 (Qld)**. Information will not be disclosed to third parties unless authorised or required by law.

## Parent / Carer Acknowledgement

Pine Rivers State High School values fairness, transparency, and partnership with families.

By signing below, I acknowledge that:

- The Pine Rivers SHS Programs of Excellence are selective programs based on academic evidence and demonstrated readiness for enrichment in a chosen field/s.
- Submission of this application does not guarantee entry into a Pine Rivers SHS Program of Excellence
- Attendance at Level Up session/s is a requirement of the application process
- Selection decisions are based on a combination of documentation supplied through this application process, participation in Level Up activities, and professional judgement
- Personal information is collected and managed in line with Queensland Department of Education requirements

Parent/Carer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Submission Details

Application Closing Date: 4.00pm, 26 June 2026

Submission Method:

Email

School Office