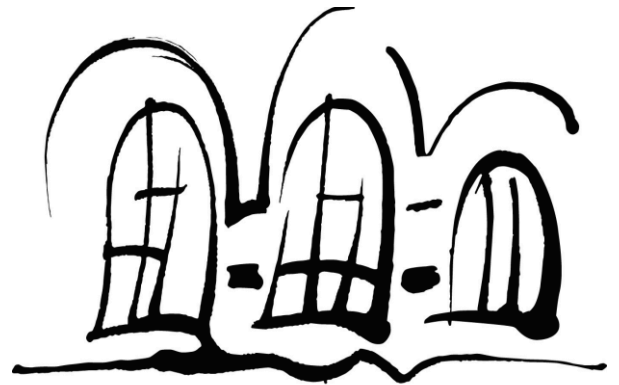


# Visual Arts and Design Specialist Stream Application Year 8 2026

Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design provides opportunities for students to pursue excellence within the disciplines of Visual Arts and Design, whilst studying a comprehensive curriculum prescribed by NESA, for the attainment of ROSA (Record of Student Achievement) and Higher School Certificate.

Students seeking admission to the Visual Arts and Design Specialist stream need to demonstrate a strong engagement and commitment as creative students. The application, interview and portfolio process provide students with the opportunity to showcase their level of creative thinking, problem solving and artmaking skills.

Students will be considered for a place in the Visual Arts and Design Specialist Stream at Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design by a panel on all three components of the application process. The 3 components are:



Dulwich High School  
of Visual Arts & Design

## 1. Application

The completed application provides information on student interests and academic capacity relevant for demonstrating suitability for the Visual Arts and Design Specialist Stream.

The application must be completed in full. Incomplete forms will not be processed. It is the parent's responsibility to ensure all sections are completed and submitted by the due date.

## 2. Interview

Applicants will be interviewed regarding their portfolio (4-6 items), their general ability, interests and experiences of art and/or design including, making practices, thinking processes, and appreciation.

All applicants will be notified by email of the interview date and time. . Please contact Ms Kardum on 9560 7299 if you have any questions.

## 3. Portfolio

Applicants will present a portfolio representing their body of work during the interview. This requires 4 to 6 original pieces of the applicant's artwork and/or design projects demonstrating experiences using a variety of mediums. The works presented must have been produced within the last 18 months and must be **entirely** the student's own work.

*Work samples may include painting, drawing, video or animation, sculpture, textiles design, photography or graphic, jewellery or timber design.*

## Completing the Application

Completed by parent/carer's and student:

### Section A

Student Information, passport photo of the applicant with name and date of birth written on the back and a non-refundable administration fee of \$50 payable to the school.

### Section B

Student Academic Information lists the supporting documents to be included in the application.

**Submission:** Applications may be delivered by hand or posted to:

Dulwich High School of Visual Arts & Design  
1-9 Seaview St Dulwich Hill NSW 2203.  
Marked "VADSS Application Yr 8 2026".

NOTE: EMAILS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.

Completed & submitted by applicant's current school:

### Section C

Must be **completed and submitted** by the applicant's High School (Principal or delegated staff member) and emailed to Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design ([dulwich-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:dulwich-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)) attention "VADSS Enrolment Coordinator"

**\$50  
Application  
Fee**

**Online Payments:**

- Go to: <https://portal.schoolbytes.education/other-payment/1650> . Click then tick on "Add item".
- Attach a copy of this receipt to your application.

**In Person:** cash or credit card at the school's finance office.

**Appeals:** Appeals can only be made on the process and should be made in writing to: Mr Lance Raskall, Principal, DHSVAD within two weeks of the notification date. The school does not provide feedback on individual applications.

**Note:** Successful enrolment in the Visual Arts and Design Specialist Stream is a specialist selection and does not confer sibling rights to enrol at Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design.

## Section A

# Student Details

Family Name:

Given Names:

Name of Current School:

Number of years enrolled at the current school:

Name of any siblings currently attending Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design:

Attach a passport size photo here.  
Include on the reverse of the photo:  
student's name and date of birth.

### Declaration of accuracy and signature.

I declare the information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, accurate and complete. I am aware that if information I have given is false or misleading, any decision made as a result of this application may be changed.

I confirm that:

1. The documents provided in Section B and C are for/of the named applicant.
2. The Portfolio presented at the interview is the applicant's work in entirety.

Applicant's

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

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

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

Applicant's Parent/carer's

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

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

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

### Office Use Only

Date Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Application Fee Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Online Receipt sited/attached: Yes ☐ No ☐ NA ☐

Actioned by: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section A Continued

# Student Details

We ask the applicant to respond to the following questions.

1. Give details of experience and achievements in Visual Arts and Design. Additional information may be attached (photocopies only).

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2. Give details of experiences and interests in other areas of school (eg: academic, sporting, drama, and dance ensemble etc.).

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3. Explain why being in the Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design Specialist stream would be beneficial to you and your education.

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4. In what ways do you see yourself as a creative person?

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## Section B

# Student Academic Information

Applicants need to attach copies.

School reports and NAPLAN must be verified as true copies of the originals and include the school stamp.

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Most recent Yearly school report

Applicants may attach copies of the following supporting documentation:

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NAPLAN Report  
(Year 5, verified with a school stamp)

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Certificates from workshops/courses outside of school (only include certificates that recognise significant artistic/creative achievement)

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Evidence of extra-curricular or community involvement  
(eg: choir, band, debating, SRC, sport, community or charity work)

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## Section C

School use only

# School Academic Information

This section must be completed by the Principal or delegated staff member at your current school and emailed to [dulwich-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:dulwich-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au).

Family Name:

Given Names:

D.O.B:

School:

a) Achievement across the curriculum

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Outstanding

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Above Average

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Average

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Below Average

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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b) Attitude, behaviour and commitment to learning

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Outstanding

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Above Average

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Average

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Below Average

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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c) Genuine interest and commitment to the study of Visual Arts and Design

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Outstanding

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Above Average

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Average

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Below Average

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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d) Overall Comment

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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Completed by Principal/delegate:

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

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

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