

Approved Specialist Program Fashion and Design



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INTRODUCTION

Fashion and Design was established at Kent Street in 1991. The Approved Specialist Program was developed to encourage creativity in young men and women. The program also provides them with both general vocational skills and skills related to employment in the fashion and design industry.

The program has a strong basis in the concept of problem solving and the design processes that lead towards creative output. These are skills that are particularly relevant to education today.

Fashion and Design at Kent Street combines the expertise of two Learning Areas of the school. The Art Department provides the link with 'The Arts' Learning Area and the creative basis of the program. Textiles belongs to the 'Technologies' Learning Area of the curriculum and as such, provides exposure to a range of different technology processes in all practical projects. Combined, the two Learning Areas provide a well-balanced and varied approach to the teaching of Fashion and Design.

The program also provides the opportunity for students to develop connections with both the fashion industry and further educational institutions, such as TAFE. The possibility of work experience in the area of fashion and design in upper school exists.

Students who enrol in the Fashion and Design Program will gain a strong general education, as well as the opportunity to extend themselves in an area of interest. The program does not train students for one specific job but rather provides the knowledge and transferable skills which will be broadly applicable and generally used for students who may wish to pursue a career in the fashion, design or related industries.

The Fashion and Design Program offers students access to a program that, while vocationally useful, is enriching in personal development, in both aesthetic and practical ways through its provision of life skills. These advantages are in themselves reason enough for the young men and women to find enrolment in the Approved Specialist Fashion and Design Program at Kent Street, a valuable and enriching aspect of their education.









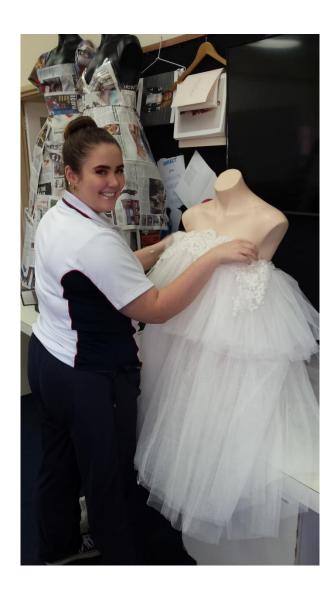
Fashion & Design Students

Fashion & Design students commute daily from across the metropolitan area, with a number travelling from as far as Wanneroo in the North, Mandurah to the South and Mt. Helena to the East. Bus services to the school are regular and take about 10 minutes from the city centre.

A number of students come from country areas in order to study Fashion & Design. Whilst some of these students board with friends or relatives in Perth, the majority stay at the Rotary Residential College which is situated next to the school campus and provides high quality student accommodation.

Fashion & Design Staff

Currently there are two Art teachers and two Textiles teachers delivering the Approved Specialist Fashion & Design Program.





ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OF THE PROGRAM

The aim of this program is to provide students with the creative problem solving and technical skills related to work in the fashion and design industry. Students in the program will develop:

- Competency in basic design principles and their application
- Knowledge of and ability to use textiles and textile processes in a creative manner
- A high level of competency in garment construction
- A fashion perspective, both historical and contemporary
- Exposure through work placement
- Experience in the presentation of their work through exhibition, parading, competitions
- Confidence, self esteem, initiative and maturity







HIGHLIGHTS

- Annual Design Expo
- Exhibitions
- Camp
- Incursion with Designers
- International Fashion Tours
- Excursions
- Wool 4 School competition
- Partnership with Essense







PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Fashion and Design at Kent Street offers a program of study through Years 7 to 10.

The next few pages provide an overview of the themes and content teachers base their programming on for lower school students. It is general enough to provide flexibility for teachers, enabling them to draw on their particular areas of expertise whilst meeting the needs and interests of our Fashion and Design clientele. Repurposing and recycling to highlight societies need to become more sustainable in resource use.

YEAR 7 and 8

- Art Themes
 - Introducing Design
 - Discovering Textiles
- Textile Themes
 - o Clothing Decisions
 - o Creativity with Textiles
 - Introduction to specialized skills and terms

YEAR 9

- Art Themes
 - Textiles & the Environment
 - Design for the Individual
- Textile Themes
 - o Technology & Fashion
 - Creativity with Clothing
 - Fashion through the ages

YEAR 10

- Art Themes
 - Applying the Design Process
 - Understanding the Textile Process
- Textile Themes
 - Applying the Elements and Principals of Design





ENROLMENT

Students wishing to enrol into Fashion and Design at Kent Street should complete the Expression of Interest form for entry into the Fashion & Design Program.

Entry Requirements

In order to be accepted into the Fashion and Design Program students should demonstrate their creativity through an onsite Creativity Test at Kent Street. School reports, references and personal qualities of the applicant will be considered in determining acceptance into the program. Good attendance records are essential. Please enclose a copy of the last 2 school reports with your Expression of Interest form.

Country Students

The Rotary Residential College is situated adjacent to Kent Street and provides accommodation for country students. The College is operated by Rotary International and enquires should be made on (08) 9470 4177. Country students boarding in Perth to study Fashion and Design may qualify for financial assistance from the Isolated Student's Allowance. Applications are made to the Commonwealth Department of Education.

Partnership with Essense of Australia

Industry link with Essense of Australia, an International Bridal Company, based in Australia and overseas which will provide students with opportunity for work experience and a placement to lead into an internship on the completion of Year 12.





Start Year
20

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM - FASHION & DESIGN

Year applying for:
Year 7 Year 8 Year 9 Year 10 Year 11 Year 12 Year 12
APPLICANT DETAILS
Full name of applicant:
Date of Birth: Phone No: Gender:
Address:
Town / Suburb: Postcode:
Pre-existing medical condition or disability: No Yes Condition/Disability:
Has your child been suspended during the past 2 years? No Yes
Is the applicant an Australian citizen or permanent resident?
Visa No: Visa Grant No:
CURRENT SCHOOL DETAILS
Current Year Level: Name of Current School:
PARENT / CARER DETAILS
Name of Parent / Carer:
Address:
Town / Suburb: Postcode: Email:
Home Ph: Work Ph: Mobile:
TERM ACCOMMODATION
Will you be seeking term accommodation at the Rotary Residential College, situated on the grounds of Kent Street Senior High School?
□ No □ Yes

PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF THE APPLICANT'S TWO MOST RECENT SCHOOL REPORTS

Please return this application form, together with the applicant's two most recent school reports to:

OR

Enrolment Officer Kent Street Senior High School 74 Rathay Street KENSINGTON WA 6151

Email to: kentstreet.shs@education.wa.edu.au

Acceptance into the course is subject to a satisfactory performance in the creativity test, favourable school reports, appropriate behaviour and places being available. You will be notified of your acceptance or otherwise by mail early Term 3.

PLEASE ENSURE ALL QUESTIONS ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM ARE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT

1. What does the word Fashion mean to you?	
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2. Do you have experience with sewing and craft activities?	
3. Describe what you have made that you are proud of?	
4. What do you like best about art?	
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5. Please list drawing or art techniques that you have tried.	
6. How do you think being in the Fashion specialist program will benefit you in the future?	