

Congratulations to the Class of 2018



In 2018 Melville Senior High School achieved outstanding academic success with our Year 12 graduating class, both at the individual student level and as a cohort. The following is a snapshot of their/our headline achievements:

- Jessie Wang received an ATAR of 99.9 placing her in the top 0.2% of the state (public or private) and she has gained entry into the state's highly exclusive "99 Club".
- An additional 10 students achieved an ATAR of 95 - 98.9 and gained entry into the Melville SHS "95 Club".
- Rebecca Whitehurst received a Subject Exhibition in Health Studies for achieving the highest mark across the state in an ATAR course.
- Two students (Rebecca Whitehurst and Kate Burns) were awarded Subject Certificates of Excellence in Health Studies for achieving in the top 0.5% of students across the state in an ATAR course.
- Seven students received a state-wide Certificate of Distinction and 19 students received a Certificate of Merit for receiving 190 - 200 or 150 - 189 points respectively across 20 units of study completed at school over two years.
- The school Median ATAR of 84.1 placed us as the 36th best public or private and ninth best public school in the state. The public school average median ATAR was 79.5 and our 'like' school average was 81.9.
- 100% of our students achieved their WACE. The public school average WACE achievement was 89% while our 'like' school average was 95%. This means that 100% of our students also achieved their OLNA.
- Our Attainment Rate (i.e. achieved an ATAR of 55+ and/or a Cert II, III or IV) was 100%. The public school average attainment rate was 96% while our "like" school average was 97%.
- Our ATAR participation rate was 49%. This was one of the highest ATAR participation rates in the public school system.
- Our Certificate 2, 3 and/or 4 (VET) participation rate was 71%.
- Our participating student Certificate 2, 3 and/or 4 completion rate was 100%.
- ATAR 'Leading Courses' where the combined student scores were in the top 15% of all students in state were: Design; EALD; Health Studies; Media Production and Visual Arts.
- ATAR courses where students scored well above the expected state mean of our "like" schools were: Biology, Chemistry, Health Studies and Literature.
- ATAR courses where students scored above the state mean were: Biology; Chemistry; Chinese as a Second language; Chinese as a First Language; Design; Health Studies; Media Production; Human Biology; Literature; Physics; EALD; Math Methods; English; Visual Arts and Math Specialist.
- ATAR Performance Summary:
 - 1% of our students achieved an ATAR of 99+ (i.e. in the top 1% of the state)
 - 14% of our students achieved an ATAR of 95+ (i.e. in the top 5% of the state)
 - 33% of our students achieved an ATAR of 90+ (i.e. in the top 10% of the state)
 - 55% of our students achieved an ATAR of 80+ (i.e. in the top 20% of the state)
 - 74% of our students achieved an ATAR of 70+ (i.e. in the top 30% of the state)
 - 90% of our students achieved an ATAR of 55+ (i.e. in the top 45% of the state)



WACE & OLNA
Graduation Rate
100%



Top ATAR
99.90



Attainment Rate
100%



Health Studies
Exhibition



Median ATAR
84.10

Confident Innovative Successful

Class of 2018 - Inspirational Futures

STEM Inspires Scientific Pursuits

Melville SHS has been inspiring students in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) subjects since the 2018 Leavers started in Year 7. This inspiration has led many top achievers going into associated degrees.

2018 Dux, Jessie Wang received an ATAR of 99.90 and has been accepted into the coveted B. Phil (Computer Science and Engineering) at UWA. The Bachelor of Philosophy only accepts students with marks over 98 and is a holistic four-year degree comprising a three-year bachelor's degrees and a fourth year of honours.

Head Girl in 2018, Jamie Lau (ATAR of 97.65) is going to study Medicine at the University of NSW. She becomes the seventh student to gain acceptance into Medicine in the last four years.

Technology is the buzzword for this generation and Randy De Guzman (96.85) is studying a Bachelor of Mechatronic Engineering and Computer Science at Curtin University. Head Boy, Charles Morley-Wong (ATAR 98.35) is also off to Curtin to study a Bachelor of Engineering. Rico Lee (95.65) and Anushree Arunkumar (95.70) have been accepted into a Direct Pathway - Masters of Professional Engineering at UWA.

Science at UWA was also the choice for other high achievers: Tom Featherstone (95.15) will study a Bachelor of Science (Physics) and Mathematics. Sophie Tremain-Hill (95.60) will study a Bachelor of Science (Pre-clinical Optometry) for a year at Curtin University then an Optometry degree at Flinders University. Molly Clegg (95.80) and Eliza Lock (95.65) are both going to study a Bachelor of Science - Occupational Therapy (Honours) at Curtin.

Health Winners

Congratulations to Rebecca Whitehurst who is the top student in the State in Health Studies and has become the Exhibition Winner in that subject. This is the third year in a row that Melville SHS has won this Subject Exhibition for Health Studies. She and Kate Burns received a Subject Certificate of Excellence as one of three students who were in the top 0.5% of students in Health Studies. Kate (with an ATAR of 94.35) has decided to study a Bachelor of Science (Mathematics and Statistics) at UWA.

Humanities High Achiever

Sarah Birch with an ATAR of 97.1 is going to follow her passions and do a Bachelor of Arts degree with a double major in Modern History, Classics and Ancient History at UWA.

Graphic Design Media Star

Stella Gray Broun has won selection in the prestigious Year 12 Media Perspectives for her short film Well Number 7. The film is to be showcased in March at a short film festival and was selected by ATOMWA (Australian Teachers of Media WA).

Stella, who received an ATAR of 93.45 has been a part of the Graphic Design Media Specialist Program since Year 7 and then excelling in Visual Art & Design and Media Production course in senior school. In the league tables for Year 12 ATAR results, Melville SHS had leading courses in Design, Media Production and Visual Arts (based on the number of students who were in the top 15% of all students in the class).

Music Passion Leads to WAPPA Offers

Congratulations to Gifted and Talented student Kobi Simpson as well as Shaniqa Ratnasingam who have been accepted into WAAPA (WA Academy of Performing Arts).

Kobi is going to study Jazz piano and is keen to have a career in performing and writing music. Shaniqa (ATAR 93.56) is going to study classical saxophone and hopes to use her degree to travel the world to study under other performers and teach music. She would love to one day join an orchestra. Both students said they were strongly encouraged and inspired by teachers Ms Ana Milas and Mr Lachlan Brooks-Crew.

Other music achievers have been: Morgan Remaj (2013 Classical Guitar), Xiaowen Pan (2014 Classical Flute), Max Wickham (2015 Jazz), Sean Hayes (2015 Classical), Oliver Toole (2015 Contemporary), Cosmo Batley (2016 Classical Piano) and James Calvert (2017 Classical Sax).

We wish the class of 2018 well with their future pursuits.