

IEC programs encourage integration with the whole school community through participation in school wide events.



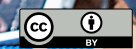
Department of Education

# Intensive English Centres

for primary and secondary students



Schools	Address	Contact
<b>Primary Schools (PP to Year 6)</b>		
Eddystone Primary School	Littorina Avenue, Heathridge 6027	9406 5100
Koondoola Primary School	50 Burbridge Avenue, Koondoola 6064	9345 6200
Nollamara Primary School	101 Harrison Street, Nollamara 6061	9413 1550
<b>Primary Schools (Years 1 to 6)</b>		
Beaconsfield Primary School	5 Hale Street, Beaconsfield 6162	9432 1000
Dianella Primary College	Laythorne Street, Dianella 6059	9263 5100
Highgate Primary School	147 Lincoln Street, Highgate 6003	9253 2700
Parkwood Primary School	Zelkova Way, Parkwood 6147	9235 1411
Thornlie Primary School	86 Thornlie Avenue, Thornlie 6108	9232 3480
<b>Senior High Schools (Years 7 to 10)</b>		
Balga Senior High School	2 Markham Way, Balga 6061	9247 0219
Greenwood College	Coolibah Drive, Greenwood 6024	9243 9200
Lynwood Senior High School	436 Metcalf Road, Parkwood 6147	9354 0600
Melville Senior High School	18 Potts Street, Melville 6156	6274 1300
<b>Senior Secondary Schools (Years 11 and 12)</b>		
Cyril Jackson Senior Campus	53 Reid Street, Bassendean 6054	9413 4720
North Lake Senior Campus	188 Winterfold Road, Kardinya 6163	9314 0444





## What are Intensive English Centres?

Intensive English Centres (IECs) specialise in teaching English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD) to newly arrived students who are eligible to enrol in a public school in Western Australia. IEC students come from a range of countries with diverse languages and cultures, contributing to a vibrant, dynamic and inclusive school environment. Attendance at an IEC is for up to 12 months (or 24 months where students hold a humanitarian visa) depending on the student's visa and needs.

Intensive English Centres are located within mainstream schools. There are fourteen centres within public schools in the Perth metropolitan area - eight in primary schools, four in high schools and two in senior school campuses.

IEC programs encourage integration with the whole school community through participation in school wide events that include educational incursions and excursions, sports carnivals, social events and assemblies.

Primary IECs cater for students aged 5 to 11, with three primary centres offering Pre-primary classes for 4 year old students from a humanitarian entrant background. Secondary IECs cater for students aged 12\* to 16 years old. Senior IECs cater for students aged 16 and above.

\* Students starting in secondary school in year 7 may be 11 turning 12 before July that year.

## Benefits of an IEC

- Specialised intensive English language teaching support and instruction to maximise students' ability to access the mainstream curriculum.
- Smaller class sizes that support individualised learning.
- Cultural support in a nurturing environment.
- Specialised teachers and support staff.
- Free daily bus service for primary school aged children.
- Access to specialised health services.

## Curriculum in an IEC

Intensive English Centres provide differentiated learning programs based on the Western Australian Curriculum.

The curriculum in an IEC is targeted to individual students' English language learning needs. To assist students to make a smooth transition to mainstream classes, core subjects include Mathematics, Science, Humanities and Social Sciences.

IECs support students to learn English and become familiar with the age-appropriate academic and social context of schools in Western Australia. IECs and local schools work together to ensure a smooth transition to their local school.

## Staff in an IEC

IECs employ EALD teachers and Ethnic Education Assistants (EEAs). EALD teachers are experienced and have expertise to deliver age-appropriate, scaffolded EALD programs in line with the Western Australian Curriculum. EEAs speak a variety of languages, which may include the first language of IEC students.

## Access to an IEC

Eligibility to enrol in an IEC is subject to requirements and may include:

- Students who are in Years 1 to 12 and are new to learning English, including those who were born in Australia;
- Students who hold a humanitarian visa and are in Pre-Primary to Year 12; and
- Students who have returned to Australia after a period greater than 6 months.

## Enrolling in an IEC

- Contact your local IEC to make an appointment. (See the list of IECs to find the closest centre)
- The following information is required for enrolment:
  - ➔ date of arrival in Australia;
  - ➔ student name;
  - ➔ current address;
  - ➔ languages/dialects spoken at home;
  - ➔ visa sub class number; and
  - ➔ contact details.
- To support the enrolment process, transport to and from the IEC and an interpreting service are available free of charge.

