## **Highly Able Learners Implementation Plan**

**Phase 1: Learning and Planning** 

**Phase 2: Implementing and Monitoring** 

**Phase 3: Reflecting and Evaluating** 

What	Why	How	Who	When
Reference the introduction of differentiation to the school's Strategic Plan	To be able to justify the introduction of a new policy by referring to the school's strategic vision and direction	Ensure the Strategic Plan is a public document	Principal Leadership Team	
	To verify that the policy has been endorsed by the School Board and community	Promote the new policy as part of the strategic direction of the school		
Philosophy of Gifted Education  • Senior Management and school commitment to the introduction of the new policy  • High expectations for staff and students	Shared understanding, of the vision is important if the project is to succeed  Clear and concise expectations will ensure positive outcomes	Discussion at Leadership Meetings  Presentation of vision to staff at staff meetings  Ongoing communication with the whole staff	Principal Leadership Team	
Appoint a Gifted	To lead the program and	Seek expressions of	Principal	

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Coordinator(s) (GC)  • Create an appropriate Job description and Duty Statement for a Position of Responsibility (Highly Accomplished Teacher)	ensure appropriate policies are in place for integration into the curriculum  To manage the day to day organisation and running of the program  To audit, evaluate and review the program  To lead the Drive Team and provide staff with access to resources and literature	interest from staff  Advertise externally if required  Provide an appropriate time allocation and remuneration	Leadership Team	
Establish a Drive Team	To write the Differentiation Policy including UBD, audit, rationale and model  To enact various aspects of the policy and report back to staff	Seek expressions of interest from staff  Provide time for the team to meet and share with the whole staff at staff meetings	GC Principal	
<b>Establish a Rationale</b>	To articulate the vision	Drive Team to develop the	Principal	

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<ul> <li>Must be in line with the school vision and strategic direction</li> <li>Align with the AITSL Professional Standards for Teachers</li> <li>Melbourne Declaration: Equality, Equity and Entitlement</li> <li>Australian Curriculum: Students Diversity: Gifted and Talented students</li> </ul>	and create a reference point for the school community  To align with national policies and processes	Rationale and present to the staff for feedback  Develop a UBD that lays out Deep Understandings, Overarching and Topical Essential Questions  Develop terms of reference for the Drive Team	Staff Students Drive Team	
Establish a Student	To provide students with	Call for nominations for	GC	

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Committee	ongoing opportunities to contribute to the development of the policy	student participants through the SRC (or equivalent body)	Drive Team	
Provide professional learning for staff	To work with staff and spread the expertise  To build the capacity of staff to successfully and confidently integrate and deliver the policy to students	AISSA expert to deliver professional learning to the whole staff  Provide professional reading for staff  Provide resources for staff  Staff to attend external workshops  Support for specific personal learning teams investigating specific aspects of differentiation	Janet Farrall (AISSA) GC Staff	
Develop the program and Scope and Sequence	To ensure developmental continuity of the Gifted Policy	AISSA expert to facilitate scope and sequence development with the staff	Staff Janet Farrall (AISSA)	

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		which is appropriate for the school context		
Develop a curriculum for Highly Able pull-out groups	In order to meet the specific cognitive and affective needs of Highly Able Learners	The GC and Drive Team to investigate best and next practice to design a program that suits the context of the school	GC Drive Team Special Needs Coordinator	
Plan differentiated learning and teaching units	To ensure that the school is offering a differentiated high quality curriculum for all students within the school	The GC and Drive Team will work with staff to plan and integrate differentiation into current units of work	GC Drive Team Special Learning Needs Team Staff	
	To ensure that teachers have the resources they require to deliver the policy effectively	Learning will be personalised for students with diversity (ILP)		
	To give students access to resources that will enrich their learning			
	To provide students with unique opportunities			
	To provide enhanced opportunities for deep learning			

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Ensure the program is resourced appropriately Budget line in place	To ensure that there is a shared understanding of this new and challenging policy being introduced  To heighten community awareness of the benefit to the whole community of such a policy	Investigation of resources available  School to purchase appropriate resources	GC Drive Team Resource Centre Staff Staff	
School to connect with other schools with a similar strategic direction and policy - including schools with well-established differentiation policies and practices	For the purpose of dissemination and sharing of best and next practice	Professional organisations and conferences  Direct contact	GC	
Promotion of the new program to wider school community	To keep all stakeholders informed of the progress of new school initiatives	GC to promote to students and families  • Newsletter articles  • Parent Information Evening	Principal GC Students	
<ul><li>Update of all school publications</li><li>Including website.</li><li>Marketing Materials</li></ul>	To ensure all documentation aligns to current policies	Relevant staff to ensure that publications for which they are responsible have been updated	Principal Leadership Team Marketing Person	

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Curriculum Guides	•			
Develop an Induction Program for new staff	To ensure new staff are aligned to the philosophy and policies delivered in the school	Time set aside (throughout Phase 1) in the New Staff Induction Program for the GC to meet with new members of staff	in consultation with the Principal and Leadership Team	
		Print materials prepared for new staff to reference		
Provide planning and meeting time for staff	To ensure that staff feel supported in developing and delivering a new policy  To ensure the high quality of the learning and teaching program	Staff to be provided with time to plan and collaborate  Staff to cover each other's TRT to ensure that the whole community is contributing to the development of the new program	Teaching staff	
Provide opportunities for staff to access expert training and	To ensure a high level of expertise within the school	Ask for expressions of interest from staff	Principal GC Leadership Team	

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education	To access the latest research in regard to teaching gifted students	Staff to incorporate differentiation into their personal learning plans where appropriate  To provide a pathway from Graduate to Lead teacher according to 1.5 AITSL Standards		
Reflection, evaluation and review of the program	To ensure that the program is meeting the needs of students  To review and refine elements of the policy	Conduct a review process including interviews and surveys  Provide recommendations	GC Principal	

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