

Opportunity class information for Year 4

OC Year 5 entry in 2025: Applications are open 4 April-20 May 2024

What are opportunity classes?

Opportunity classes are one of the ways the NSW Department of Education supports high potential and gifted students. The classes help students learn by:

- grouping them with other high potential or gifted students
- using specialised teaching methods so students can learn concepts in more detail and more quickly, supporting their wellbeing needs.

Most students in opportunity classes enjoy learning with peers who have similar abilities and interests.

Where are they located?

There are 86 primary schools with opportunity classes in NSW each year. 54 schools are in metropolitan Sydney (including Mona Vale) and 31 schools are located in rural or regional centres.

Students successfully placed attend the opportunity class full time in Years 5 and 6 at the relevant public school.

In most cases, students who have accepted a place in an opportunity class will leave their current school to attend the school with the opportunity class.

Should you apply?

If your child learns with greater ease and speed than their classmates, they may benefit from placement in an opportunity class. High potential and gifted children need to be challenged so they remain engaged with their education. Discuss the opportunity with your child and look through the information together on Opportunity Classes – Year 5, on the NSW Department of Education Website.

An information session for parents will be held on Tuesday 7th May at 3pm in the Year 4 classrooms.