



# ST ALOYSIUS' COLLEGE

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Congratulations to the Class of 2019 on their academic results in the Higher School Certificate (HSC). Thank you to these students' parents, families and teachers on their contribution to these achievements.

This Year Group made a significant contribution to our College and its mission and we are proud of them. Their academic results are strong and over 70% of the students received at least one Band 6 in the courses studied with 272 Band 6s achieved by the Year Group. Ten (10) Aloysians have been named on the Premier's All-Round Achievers' List. This requires them to achieve at least 10 units achieving a Band 6 or Band E4. We also have a number of students nominated to the various HSC showcase events in the performing and creative arts.

The Class of 2019 have been committed to their studies and to the broader life of St Aloysius' as a Jesuit school.

Attached you will find some data relating to the performance of this Year Group. The College hopes that their studies at St Aloysius' have provided them with the necessary academic foundation to follow their vocation.

The College will use these results to continue to review our academic program in order to improve it. We do so to honour our commitment to ensuring that every student at the College uses and extends his intellectual gifts.

We wish our College community a peaceful, blessed Christmas.

Yours sincerely

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Principal

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Director of Teaching & Learning



## 2019 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE REPORT

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The Class of 2019 has received a pleasing set of results in the HSC.

### There were a number of highlights:

- The College estimates that 75 students (49%) of a cohort of 153 achieved an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) of 90 or above. 43 students achieved an ATAR of 95 or above, while 6 students had an ATAR above 99.5.
- The Dux for 2019 is **Matis Renard**. Matis achieved an ATAR of 99.75. Congratulations Matis.
- There were 272 mentions on the *Distinguished Achievers* list. Distinguished Achievers are the students who achieved a result in the highest band (Band 6 in a 2 unit course or Band E4 in an extension course) for one or more courses.
- The *Premier's All-round Achievers* list recognises those students who received a Band 6 or Band E4 result in 10 or more units in their course of study. This year, 10 St Aloysius' College students were named on the list:

**Leo Carlile**

**Finn Crawford**

**Luke Ingram**

**Alexander Ishak**

**Luca Marchione**

**Daniel McNamara**

**Alexander Mowbray**

**Samuel Potter**

**Harry Stanton**

**Matthew Stapleton**

- Two students were ranked as Top Students in their course:  
Mathematics: **Thomas Smelt** (Year 11 Accelerant; 13<sup>th</sup> in State)  
Modern History: **Harry Stanton** (19<sup>th</sup> in State)
- 100% of courses studied at St Aloysius' College were above the State mean.
- 6 courses studied at St Aloysius' College were 10 or more marks above the State mean: Ancient History, Biology, Geography, Mathematics Standard 2, Modern History, & PDHPE.
- 100% of students achieved a Band 5 or Band 6 in French Continuers, Geography, Music 1 and Music 2.
- 100% of students achieved in the two highest extension Bands for English Extension 2, French Extension, Japanese Extension, Mathematics Extension 2 and Music Extension.
- 98% of students achieved in the two highest extension Bands for Mathematics Extension 1.
- 95% of students achieved in the two highest extension Bands for English Extension 1.
- 93% of Drama students received a Band 5 or Band 6.
- The percentage of Band 6 and Band E4 results achieved from examinations sat is 29.66% (272 from 917 examinations sat).



## PREMIER'S ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS

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There were 10 students named in the *Premier's All-round Achievers list*. These students scored 90 or better in 10 units. They were:

**Leo Carlile**  
**Finn Crawford**  
**Luke Ingram**  
**Alexander Ishak**

**Luca Marchione**  
**Daniel McNamara**  
**Alexander Mowbray**  
**Samuel Potter**

**Harry Stanton**  
**Matthew Stapleton**

Four students, **Connor Gum Gee, Ryan Lee, Matis Renard and David Vucic**, missed out on this list by the narrowest of margins, having scored 90 or better in 9 units of studies.

## TOP ACHIEVERS IN COURSE

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### Mathematics

- **Thomas Smelt** (Year 11 Accelerant; 13<sup>th</sup> in State)

### Modern History

- **Harry Stanton** (19<sup>th</sup> in State)

## ATAR CALCULATIONS

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- 6 students achieved an ATAR above 99.5, with 37 students scoring between 95 and 99.
- 75 students achieved an ATAR over 90. Thus, approximately half of the cohort achieved this rank compared to 16.8% in the State.
- The median ATAR was 86.5.
- The following students achieved an ATAR above 99:

**Finn Crawford (99.5)**  
**Alexander Ishak (99.6)**

**Daniel McNamara (99.55)**  
**Samuel Potter (99.5)**

**Matis Renard (99.75)**  
**Harry Stanton (99.55)**



## CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

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The Class of 2019 has had a significant number of students nominated to display/perform in the varying showcases for the HSC Creative and Performing Arts courses. Two of these students were subsequently selected to showcase their work. This reinforces the healthy state of Creative and Performing Arts at St Aloysius' and the important place it plays in both the cultural and academic life of the College.

### Drama

- **Samuel Potter** (*The Glass Menagerie*), **Lachlan Powe** (*Seeking Wild*) and **Max Walburn** (*Galloping Foxley*) were nominated for *OnSTAGE*, the HSC Drama Showcase for their individual performance.
- **William Anstee, Brendan Doyle, Samuel Potter** and **Flynn Sloan** were nominated for *OnSTAGE* for their group devised performance, *Prove It?*.

### Music

- **Joel Larsen, Cooper Rands (Year 11) Anthony Sahagian, Alex Tsang and James Walbank**, Music 2 students, were nominated for *ENCORE*, the HSC Music Showcase.

### Visual Arts

Two students were nominated and **selected** for inclusion in *ARTEXPRESS*, the HSC Visual Arts Showcase:

- **Daniel Tandany** for *Cluster*
- **Matthew Valerio** for *Oh What a Night!*



## COURSE RESULTS

The following table presents all the Higher School Certificate test results, with figures representing the actual student numbers in each band.

Course	#students	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Band 5	Band 6	% 5-6
Ancient History	27	0	2	3	12	10	81%
Biology	30	0	3	4	14	9	77%
Business Studies	36	1	1	9	21	5	72%
Chemistry	51	2	5	9	22	13	69%
Drama	14	0	0	1	7	6	93%
Economics	28	0	1	4	15	8	82%
English Advanced	148	1	4	32	91	20	75%
English Standard	5	0	0	4	1	0	20%
French Continuers	8	0	0	0	3	5	100%
Geography	7	0	0	0	4	3	100%
Japanese Continuers	7	0	1	1	4	1	71%
Legal Studies	11	1	2	1	7	0	64%
Mathematics	109	1	7	19	24	57	74%
Mathematics Standard 2	43	0	0	13	19	11	70%
Modern History	61	0	5	5	36	15	84%
Music 1	6	0	0	0	1	5	100%
Music 2	7	0	0	0	2	5	100%
PDHPE	36	0	1	5	23	7	83%
Physics	46	2	4	12	18	10	61%
Studies of Religion I	59	1	6	13	31	8	66%
Studies of Religion II	39	0	3	4	24	8	82%
Visual Arts	25	0	0	1	15	9	96%

In Extension Courses, there are four bands E4 to E1, with E4 being the highest.

Courses	#students	E1	E2	E3	E4	%E4
English Extension 1	21	0	1	14	6	28.6%
English Extension 2	4	0	0	4	0	0%
French Extension	4	0	0	2	2	50%
History Extension	7	0	1	3	3	42.9%
Japanese Extension	1	0	0	1	0	0%
Mathematics Extension 1	55	0	1	22	32	58.2%
Mathematics Extension 2	17	0	0	7	10	58.8%
Music Extension	3	0	0	0	3	100%
Science Extension	2		1	1	0	0%



## RESULTS IN BANDS

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The following table reflects strong results across the top bands.

### Band Results for all 2 Unit courses

Band	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
6	233 (30.3%)	274 (34.0%)	219 (28.6%)	215 (27.3%)	215 (26.8%)
5	385 (50%)	391 (48.6%)	365 (47.7%)	387 (49.1%)	394 (49.1%)
4	135 (17.6%)	123 (15.3%)	152 (19.8%)	152 (19.3%)	139 (17.3%)
3	15 (2%)	17 (2.1%)	24 (3.1%)	29 (3.7%)	45 (5.6%)
2	1	0	6 (0.8%)	5 (0.6%)	9 (1.1%)
1	0	0	0	0	1 (0.1%)

(2019: Total of 803 individual student results in 2 Unit courses, including 1 unit Studies of Religion)

### Band Results for all Extension courses

Band	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
4	57 (45%)	71 (52.2%)	60 (44.8%)	42 (35.3%)	56 (49.1%)
3	68 (53.5%)	59 (43.4%)	66 (49.3%)	70 (58.8%)	54 (47.4%)
2	2	6 (4.4%)	7 (5.2%)	7 (5.9%)	4 (3.5%)
1	0	0	1 (0.7%)	0	0

(2019: Total of 114 individual student results in Extension courses)



## HISTORICAL COMPARISON

### Band 6 results per 100 students: HSC 2004-2019

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
All NSW Catholic	36	41	45	46	52	51	55	52
St Aloysius' College	74	90	122	117	156	147	162	174

  

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All NSW Catholic	49	47	49	55	61	62	56	59
St Aloysius' College	158	186	178	193	218	184	173	178

These figures show the number of Band 6 awards per hundred students enrolled.

- The total number of Band 6 results does include all E4 Extension course results, but not Notional Band 6 results in Extension Mathematics.
- The total number of students in the school is calculated as the sum of the candidatures in non-Extension English courses.

### Distinguished Achiever Mentions

*Distinguished Achievers* lists the students who achieved a result in the highest band (Band 6 or Band E4) for one or more courses. This year 73% of our students were Distinguished Achievers. The College ranked 42 on the list of the top 150 schools with students who achieved Band 6 or Band E4 in a course.

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Mentions	273	266	273	320	304	290	345	282	261	272
% DA	31%	35%	31%	36%	34%	32.4%	36.8%	31.1%	28.7%	29.66%
SAC Rank	29	22	30	20	28	29	23	36	37	42

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Class of 2019. We are pleased for the students and their parents and we wish them every success in their future endeavours.