



Chatham
High School

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Are you a talented athlete heading into Year 9 and seeking to further your skill development while attending school?

Talented Athlete Program

- Applications open to existing students and new enrolments.
- Personalised coaching and academic mentoring.
- Additional periods of training allocated to skills and strength conditioning.
- Access to remote learning resources to support students while attending development camps.
- Access to quality competition against other Sports Schools and talent programs.
- Membership of the YMCA, swim and fitness programs.
- Elite athlete support including physiotherapy, mindset coaching and nutritionists.
- Access to high performance coaches.
- TAP uniform and equipment supplied.



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TALENTED ATHLETE PROGRAM – TAP

Chatham High School's Talented Athlete Program (TAP) is a dedicated initiative designed to support and assist high performing, student-athletes on their elite sporting journey. The goal is to educate students on balancing their sporting commitments, academic performance and personal life, highlighting the importance of their physical and mental well-being.

The program provides talented students from the Manning Valley Region with access to elite coaching and an academic framework allowing them to reach both their academic and sporting potential.

TAP students are tutored by staff with extensive experience in youth mentoring and coaching within a specific sport. Currently the program provides students with access to qualified Rugby League, Basketball and Cheer coaches. Students exhibiting talent in other sports are strongly encouraged to apply as program focuses are relevant to all sports.

The objective of the program is to help each one of our talented students develop the skills and mental fortitude to achieve their full potential, not only in their sport but also their academic and personal lives. We seek to provide young student athletes with the skills to cope with adversity, develop a growth mindset and problem-solving abilities while strengthening their self-belief.

Program Focuses:

- Goal setting
- Time management
- Leadership
- Individual mentoring
- Mental well-being and resilience
- Physical health including prehabilitation and rehabilitation
- Strength and conditioning
- Nutrition, hydration, rest and sleep
- Sport Specific Training and Development

Program Values:

- Accountability
- Courage
- Leadership
- Resilience
- Respect
- Teamwork

Information about the Talented Athlete Program

1. Successful students receive sport specific coaching and mentoring from our high-performance coaching staff. Currently the program offers and caters to both Basketball, Rugby League and Cheer.
2. Each sport has a mentor/teacher attached to support student wellbeing and the facilitation of communication between coaches, parents and the school.
3. The TAP program provides students with the opportunity to develop and grow, both on and off the sporting field, and exposes them to the sporting industry as well as an elite athlete lifestyle.
4. Student progress in TAP will be evaluated throughout the year and reports sent to parents each semester.
5. TAP students are required to maintain our PBL core values of Respect, Safety and Learning at all times.
6. Students will be monitored to ensure they are meeting the expectations of the program and the school. Where necessary, students will be placed on an improvement program to support achievement of academic and behavioural expectations.
7. Students will be expected to uphold the signed Code of Conduct at all times.

Application Process

1. The Application Forms must be completed and returned to the school. The Application must be accompanied by:
 - o copies of the last two academic reports for current school
2. Students are usually expected to participate in talent identification trials. The school will inform you where and when the trials will be conducted.
3. The Selection Panel consider:
 - o Information supplied on the application (e.g. references, personal best times, representative level reached).
 - o Practical/game skills testing conducted by TAP coaches and/or State Association Representatives (if this is deemed necessary).
 - o Information from academic reports.
 - o Information gained in interview with student and parent/carer.
4. All offers of placement are subject to Department of Education enrolment procedures and are not final until ratified by the Principal.

Application for Chatham High School's Talented Athlete Program

Select Sport: Basketball Rugby League Cheer Other

Surname: _____ Given Names: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Work Telephone: _____ Email: _____

M/F _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____ DOB _____

Current Sporting Club Membership or Representative Teams playing/played for:

Preferred Position(s): _____

Details of sporting achievements (Attach sheets if necessary):

Nominate TWO referees supporting this application:

Referee 1: _____ Relationship _____

Contact No: _____

Referee 2: _____ Relationship _____

Contact No: _____

Please attach copies of the last 2 school reports – The application will not be considered if the reports are not supplied.

This application and all sporting material will become the property of Chatham High School and will not be returned to the applicant. Please attached copies or ask admin to copy reports prior to submission.

Is there any additional information you would like to add? (Attach sheets if necessary)

I certify all the above information to be correct and agree to the conditions of enrolment in Chatham High School Talented Athlete Program.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer Date: _____

Signed: _____ Student Date: _____

Rugby League Contact/Collision Consent Form

Rugby league is a collision sport. I understand that:

- For my child/ward to play Rugby league as part of the representative school Talented Athletes Program, they have undertaken an appropriate skill training program resulting in suitable experience to play this sport at representative level.
- Under concussion protocols, my child/ward cannot participate in contact training/sport unless a medical clearance has been provided, or 14 days have passed with no symptoms.
- The wearing of a correctly-fitted mouthguard is mandatory in all games and training sessions.
- While efforts are made to minimise the possibility of injury, there will remain some degree of risk inherent in participation in this collision sport and training.
- I consent to my child engaging in contact training and organised matches within Rugby League and/or other sports for the remainder of 2024.

Parent or Carer's name: _____
(Please Print)

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Carer

Positions being considered:

Position(s) nominated: _____

Additional information (Health)

Please indicate any health information or injuries that should be considered when determining positions.

Consent:

I consent to my child engaging in contact training and organised matches within Rugby League and/or other sports for the remainder of 2024 calendar year.

Parent/Carer name: _____
(Please Print)

Signed: _____ Date _____
Parent/Carer

Signed: _____ Date _____
Student

TAP – Parental Consent Form

Chatham High School encourages all successful TAP applicants to continue their membership with their current Club / Association.

Successful applicants to the TAP should be aware that regular attendance and participation in coaching and training sessions conducted by Chatham High School's coaching staff is **compulsory** and is a condition of placement into the program.

Successful TAP applicants are required to be available to represent Chatham High School in any NSW CHSSA, NSW or Australian Carnival, game, or competition for which he/she is selected.

Applicants may be required to attend a TAP sporting trial. Trial matches may be included as part of the testing procedure. If required, you will be advised of the specific date and venue by mail/phone/email.

This form provides consent for application into the Chatham High Talented Athlete Program and provides consent for my child to be photographed and publicized for their sporting involvement and achievement.

This form must be attached to the general application form for return to Chatham High School.

Parental Consent Statement

I have read and completed both sides of this form. I agree to permit my child to participate in Chatham High School Talented Athlete Program and any necessary trial games or sessions.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Carer

Signed: _____ Date _____
Student