

ADELAIDE/SA

SECONDARY PATHWAYS

IGNITE GUIDE

AIRBOTIX FAMILY GUIDES

# Adelaide Ignite and how to choose a high-ability path

**Three Ignite, other specialist programs, on-campus support and family verification forms**

Ignite is a specialist pathway in three government schools, but it is not the only answer for high-ability children. First check the current entry, then compare support, commuting and wellbeing.

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Adelaide family preparing for secondary transition



## 01

# First understand the four options

| Path                               | Check First                                                     | Parents Don't Assume                                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Ignite                             | Current entry, assessment, program structure                    | The rules of the three schools are exactly the same  |
| Other specialist programs          | Specialty, grade, audit/test, zone                              | Name equals appropriate for child                    |
| Ordinary school differentiation    | extension, acceleration, feedback, wellness                     | Without special classes, there will be no challenges |
| Individual acceleration discussion | Learning evidence, maturity, social emotions, continuous review | The sooner the better                                |

The SA Department currently lists three Ignite schools: Aberfoyle Park High School, Glenunga International High School, The Heights School.

## 02

# The three schools must confirm one by one.

Aberfoyle Park says Ignite serves Years 7–10 and accepts out-of-zone applications; its selection process will be updated.

Glenunga's 2027 Year 7 cycle is assessed on 2026–02–21 and ends on 02–08. Applicants are required to only take assessments at one Ignite school. For the current entry details of The Heights, please return directly to the school page or contact the school. You cannot make analogies from the other two schools.

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## Save this form before applying

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entry year, application opening/closing and assessment date.

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eligibility, zone/residency, required materials and fees.

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Whether you can only choose one Ignite school / sit once.

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curriculum, acceleration, language, music and elective structures.

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Commuting, friendship, wellness and withdrawal/transfer back to regular course schedule.

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What extensions can the local school provide when there is no offer.

# 04

## High-ability support is not just about exams

Department guidance reminds families to work with educators to focus on learning and social-emotional development. Decisions such as whole-year acceleration require individual evidence and professional discussion; this guide does not diagnose giftedness, nor does it recommend acceleration for a particular child.

# 05

## How to compare without ranking

Put the three schools and the local school on the same table, and compare what the children can do, how teachers give feedback, daily commuting, peer environment, wellness support and whether the family can implement it in the long term. Don't turn an assessment result into a child's value judgment.

## Official source

- [SA specialist programs list ↗](#)
- [SA curriculum and gifted learners guideline ↗](#)
- [Aberfoyle Park Ignite ↗](#)
- [Glenunga Ignite ↗](#)

## About Airbotix

Airbotix Family Guides organizes the selection path. Project learning allows children to demonstrate their interests and thinking, but it is not a gifted assessment, nor is it tied to Ignite admission.

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## Related guides to keep reading

If you are reading the PDF on paper, these are full URLs you can type into a browser.

- 阿德莱德 Ignite 与高能力路径怎么选:  
<https://airbotix.ai/resources/adelaide-ignite-gifted-pathways/> ↗
- What are the pathways for high-ability children in Brisbane?:  
<https://airbotix.ai/resources/brisbane-high-potential-pathways-en/> ↗
- How to go about Sydney OC and selective high schools?:  
<https://airbotix.ai/resources/sydney-oc-selective-pathways-en/> ↗
- How to prepare for Melbourne Selective Entry:  
<https://airbotix.ai/resources/melbourne-selective-entry-pathways-en/> ↗
- How to look at Australian school rankings: My School, ICSEA and NAPLAN: <https://airbotix.ai/resources/australia-myschool-school-data-guide-en/> ↗
- How Adelaide schools compare: school zone, My School, School Card and EALD: <https://airbotix.ai/resources/adelaide-school-comparison-guide-en/> ↗
- All Airbotix Family Resources: <https://airbotix.ai/resources/> ↗

Use the original government, school or provider pages for final dates, fees and eligibility. These guides are cross-references to help you compare nearby decisions, not a replacement for source checking.

## NEXT STEP

# The list of projects comes from the official, and the individual cases decide to return to school.

Entry, assessment and fees are subject to the current page of the Department and the school; for course activities, please contact Airbotix.

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[airbotix.ai/resources](https://airbotix.ai/resources) ↗

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Consult Airbotix course activities; Ignite admission judgment not provided.



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### SOURCE

#### SA official project list

View Department's list of gifted and talented specialist programs.



[SA Department for Education](#) ↗