

ANNUAL AWARDS – FAIRHOLME COLLEGE MIDDLE & SENIOR SCHOOL

Certificates of Academic Excellence

Presenting Fairholme Awards – Special & Academic Awards

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These certificates are presented according to results achieved in a single semester.

Certificates are presented in August – acknowledging Semester One achievement, and at the Commencement Assembly in January, acknowledging Semester Two achievement from the previous year.

Criteria for Certificates of Academic Excellence

- Year 7** – Achieved a minimum of six As in a program of 10 academic subjects
- Year 8** – Achieved a minimum of six As in a program of 9 academic subjects
- Year 9** – Achieved a minimum of five As in a program of 8 academic subjects
- Year 10** – Achieved a minimum of five As in a program of 7 academic subjects
- Year 11** – Achieved a minimum of three As in their academic program
- Year 12** – Achieved a minimum of three As in their academic program

Presenting Fairholme Awards – Special & Academic Awards

Special and Academic Awards are presented to recipients from each year level in the Middle and Senior Schools. These are presented on three separate occasions:

Presenting Fairholme – November annually
All Special Awards in Year 7-12, General Merits in Year 7-12

Year 12 Valedictory Assembly – final day for Year 12
Year 12 awards for the highest results in subjects
Year 12 MacLaren Awards
Year 12 Dux, Proxime Accessit, Ordine Tertia

Final Assembly – final day of the school year
Year 7-11 MacLaren Awards
Year 7-11 Dux, Proxime Accessit, Ordine Tertia
House Trophies recognising Cultural, Sporting and Academic Achievement across the year

General Merit

General Merits are awarded annually at *Presenting Fairholme* - in early November, and recognise the academic achievement of students across Terms I to III.

The top twelve - fifteen percent of each cohort are awarded General Merits in recognition of academic excellence. A fifteen-point numerical scale is used as the basis for calculations for this purpose.

General Merit recipients are presented in alphabetical order.

MacLaren Awards

The MacLaren Awards are presented to girls in each year level in recognition of significant improvement in academic achievement from Semester One to Semester Two.

Dux, Proxime Accessit, Ordine Tertia

Utilising the approach used to calculate General Merits, the Awards of Dux, Proxime Accessit, Ordine Tertia are calculated according to results achieved across the full academic program for the year.

In calculating these awards for Year 12, a variety of academic measures, including the following are utilised:

- Academic performance in each subject
- Provisional, raw SAIs (Standard Achievement Indicators) of students at that point in time
- Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority academic results as verified by District Review Panels

Special Awards

Special Awards are presented annually to girls in each year level across the Middle and Senior Schools. These awards recognise a diversity of aspects which include leadership, service, excellence in arts and sport, academic achievement, contribution to the community and care of peers.

For these awards, various qualitative and quantitative data are considered, student vote – where applicable and, in some instances, students are afforded the opportunity to apply for awards. A robust review of all potential recipients' eligibility is undertaken by staff. Finally, all awards are ratified by the Leadership Team.