Competitions Junior and Senior GATE students are encouraged to participate in school, national and international competitions. At Lynfield College students are offered the opportunity to participate in the following:

- Japanese Language Proficiency Test
- ICAS Competitions (Computing, English Writing, Science)
- New Zealand Youth Jazz Orchestra Auditions
- University of Otago Junior Mathematics Competition
- Casio Mathex Quiz
- The Casio Victoria University Senior Mathematics Competition
- Auckland School Geography, History, Classics and Business Quizzes
- National Quiz competitions in Geography and History
- National Flash Fiction Writing Competition
- History Debate
- New Zealand Young Physicist Tournament
- Model United Nations Conference
- The Lion Foundation Young Enterprise Scheme
- CETA Accounting and Economics Pursuit and International Business Challenge
- International Olympiad in Informatics Monetary Policy Challenge Competition
- Brain Bee and Science Fair
- New Zealand Spelling Bee
- Analytical Chemistry Competition
- Word Up! Competition
- Auckland Uni Economics Competition
- The New Zealand Hospitality Challenge

- New Zealand National Culinary Fare Competition
- Auckland Community Theatre Trust Inc AMI Showdown Competition
- 'Play it Strange' Secondary Schools National Song Writing Contest
- Matariki Song Writing Competition
- Auckland Goethe Society Quiz Night and Auckland Goethe Society Examinations
- Vocabulary Olympics
- New Zealand Lions Young Speechmaker Contest
- Auckland Schools' Debating Competition and New Zealand Schools' Debating Competition
- New Zealand Biology and Chemistry Olympiads
- The Newmarket Young Fashion Designer Award
- Hokonui Fashion Design Awards and Bernina Young Designer Awards
- Auckland Chinese Bridge Speech and Essay Writing Competitions
- Language Perfect World Championships
- Secondary Schools Barista Competition at MIT
- VEX Robotics Competition
- Next Top Engineering Scientist Competition
- Auckland Regional Secondary School Japanese Speech Competition

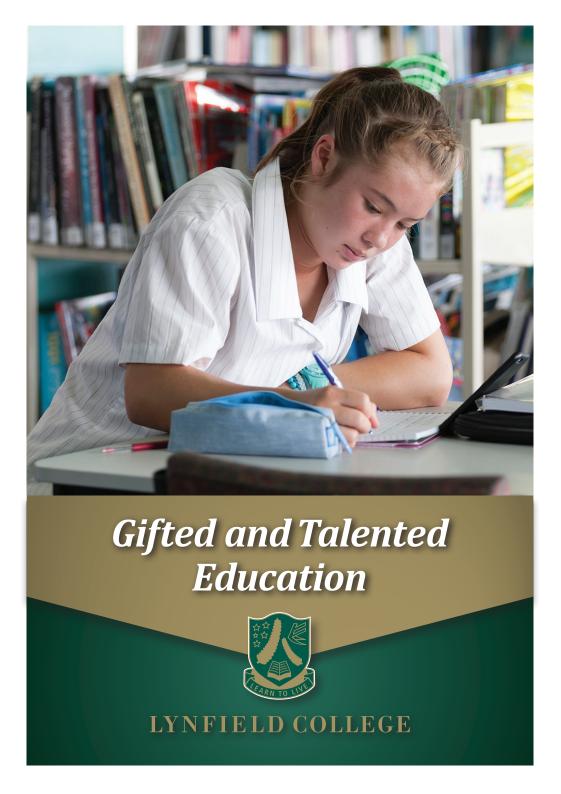
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Gifted and Talented Education

GIFTED refers to a student's outstanding ability in one or more domains; e.g. intellectual, creative, socio-emotional or sensory motor.

TALENTED refers to outstanding performance in one or more fields ... that is, talent emerges from giftedness as a consequence of the student's life experiences.

Robert Gagne 1996 (US Educational psychologist)

Gifted and Talented (GATE) students are given more challenging academic tasks and opportunities than mainstream students. This work is regarded as being instrumental in advancing learning, building confidence in personal abilities and widening horizons for future learning and aspirations.

YEAR 9 AND 10 GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS

Currently in Year 9 and 10, two classes operate an Advanced Learner Programme with a third class for students who have a high ability in Mathematics. Students in all Advanced Learner classes follow an enriched curriculum with a particular focus on developing higher order thinking skills.

YEAR 9 Each year Advanced Learner classes are involved in cross-curricular projects. Since 2010 the theme for cross-curricular projects has been Caring For the Community. Our gifted students get to choose from a wide variety of projects and work directly with other members of the community.

YEAR 10 Two Advanced Learner classes each year complete a full Level 1 NCEA

Science course. The Advanced Learner classes also complete Level One Social Studies internals. In addition, a number of students each year complete NCEA Level 1 Mathematics. Most students gain Merit or Excellence grades in these subjects.

INTERMEDIATE GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS

Each year Gifted and Talented students from feeder intermediate schools are invited to different departments to face subject challenges and experience the academic curriculum at Lynfield College.

GATE ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

Gifted students from Lynfield College consistently win or rate highly in regional, national and international events and competitions. Our Robotics teams have won New Zealand championships and multiple awards at the World Championships in the United States.

Gifted students are also encouraged to take part in the Debating Programme. The Lynfield

College Junior Premier team has won the Auckland competition twice in the last three years. Lynfield College was the only school in Auckland to have teams reach the final round in every grade of the Auckland Secondary Debating competition in 2017. Talented students in Drama, Music, Art, Dance, Fashion and Design are welcomed and encouraged to contribute to the College's annual production. Opportunities for students to submit their writing to a number of national publications

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

The Academic Council is a forum where student representatives can meet and explore avenues to enhance and celebrate the academic life of the school.

Two Academic Captains are elected to lead the council. Student representatives from Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 and staff representatives meet every week. The Council recognizes and supports academic excellence by presenting outstanding scholars with certificates during assemblies.

GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENT CONFERENCE

Each year, senior students from Lynfield College attend the Gifted and Talented Student conference hosted by Academy Conferences. It is a challenging and thought-provoking day in which students both actively participate and enjoy.

SCHOLARSHIP EXAM RESULT HIGHLIGHTS

LLynfield College has a record of high achievement in New Zealand Scholarships. In 2018, 27 scholarships were awarded to 17 Lynfield College students across 12 subject areas. Four Outstanding Scholarships were awarded. Haoran Feng and Raymond Feng, from Year 11 and Year 12 respectively, each gained three scholarships. This is a fantastic result and indicates the high achievement for this group of students. Top academic achievers at Lynfield College also have a history of success in the scholarships awarded by tertiary institutions.

