



## Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre

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Campus of:- **Frankston Special Developmental School**

Member of:- **Residential Outdoor Schools Association (ROSA)**

## A Guide to Applying for a Program at Blackwood

2024 Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre Program Applications will be open during the following period:-

-  Open:- Tuesday 17th July 2023
-  Close:- Friday 15th September 2023

There is no need to rush. During this period applications will be collected, but not allocated by Blackwood Staff.

Blackwood Staff will go through all applications & allocate programs as of the end of August.

The 2024 allocation of Programs will be announced on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

**For multiple Programs, Schools will need to make multiple Applications .....**

**Applications now require a lot more detail. Please use this guide to help you prepare your application.**

How do you find the Application?

- Open our Website:- <https://www.blackwoodssoec.vic.edu.au/>
- Scroll down our Homepage
- Click HERE

## A Destination for Exploration

### Apply for a Program

A GUIDE TO APPLYING FOR A PROGRAM AT BLACKWOOD →

Blackwood values its relationships with visiting students and staff and is committed to working with visiting schools to deliver quality educational programs that enhance student outcomes both at Blackwood and beyond.

It is imperative that prior to this application being completed, that all applications are supported by the Principal and your School's Leadership Team is fully aware of the commitment, cost and time required to plan, prepare, implement and review a Blackwood Program and understand that your school are responsible for providing staff to meet overnight supervision requirements in accordance with DET Policy and the needs of your students.

We understand the considerable time and effort that schools put into organising and implementing programs at Blackwood and we work closely with schools to ensure that the program designed through consultation with Blackwood Staff best supports the learning outcomes linked to your curriculum sequence.

START YOUR PROGRAM APPLICATION NOW! →

The following Webpage will open .....

## Apply for a Program

Please note, once you begin your application you cannot save your data.

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As a government school, Blackwood is committed to ensuring that outdoor learning programs can be delivered at a reasonable cost. The per student Blackwood costs includes:-

- Accommodation – regardless of site allocated
- Blackwood Lessons

Accessing extra-curricular programs beyond our Blackwood Curriculum may incur an extra cost for visiting schools. Details of our costs can be found at:- <https://www.blackwoodssoec.vic.edu.au/costs>

Visiting schools are expected to arrange all food requirements and costs as well as transport to and from Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre.

If you require any support with the application process please call us during school hours on 5368-6768 or email

[blackwood.specialschools.oec@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:blackwood.specialschools.oec@education.vic.gov.au)

Please note:-

- Applications will remain open throughout Term 3
- Blackwood Staff will allocate Programs at the end of August
- 2024 Program allocations will be announced on Friday 15th September 2023
- To maximise Blackwood facilities, staff and availability, some bookings may involve Schools simultaneously sharing facilities
- All inputs marked with (\*) are required!

I have read the above and have full approval from my Principal to submit this Program Request and understand that once the request is submitted a full copy will be sent to:-

- Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre
- Myself
- My Principal

☐\* My Principal has approved this Program Request

START YOUR APPLICATION >

Click here to start you Application.

Please note:-

**The Application is a few pages long, take your time.**

**This Application is for one (1) Program Request ONLY**

## Page 1

Start the Application by filling in your details .....

# Your Details

What school are you applying on behalf of? (\*)

FRANKSTON SDS

What is your name? (\*)

Tony Bellette

What is your work email? (\*)

blackwood.specialschools.oec@education.vic.gov.au

Who is your Principal? (\*)

The Principal

What is the Principal's email? (\*)

The.Principal@education.vic.gov.au

What is your contact Number? (\*)

0353866768

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How long would you like a Program at Blackwood .....

## Your Stay

Enter your stay Duration (\*)

- ☐ 1 Day (N/A) ☐ 2 Days (N/A) ☐ 3 Days ☐ 4 Days ☒ 5 Days

You have selected 5 days for your stay at Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre. The option means you intend to stay from Monday to Friday and enables you to submit more than one group for your stay.

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### If you choose 3 days, you will see this .....

Enter your stay Duration (\*)

- ☐ 1 Day (N/A) ☐ 2 Days (N/A) ☒ 3 Days ☐ 4 Days ☐ 5 Days

Enter your preferred days (\*)

- ☐ Monday to Wednesday ☐ Wednesday to Friday

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### If you choose 4 days, you will see this .....

Enter your stay Duration (\*)

- ☐ 1 Day (N/A) ☐ 2 Days (N/A) ☐ 3 Days ☒ 4 Days ☐ 5 Days

You have selected 4 days for your stay at Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre. The option means you intend to stay for 4 days between Monday and Friday, and enables you to submit more than one group for your stay.

Enter your preferred days (\*)

- ☐ Monday to Thursday ☐ Tuesday to Friday

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## Where would you like to stay?



OUR SCHOOL ▾

OUR CURRICULUM ▾

OUR EVENTS ▾

PLAN A PROGRAM

CONTACT ▾



## Your Accommodation



The School



The Residence



Tent Shelter

Accommodation Site (\*)

Tent Shelter



Each accommodation option has a maximum number of beds available and will limit the number of students you can bring in your group. All sites allow up to 6 Staff members. See below for more information:

**School:** 16 Students | **Residence:** 18 Students | **Tent Shelter:** 24 Students

Please discuss with the Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre Staff if you require additional information.

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Details of each Group you would like to bring to Blackwood .....

## Your Groups

Please Note:-

3 Days = 1 Group ONLY  
4 Days = 2 Group Option  
5 Days = 3 Group Option

How many groups do you intend to bring during your stay (\*)

What days will this group be staying? (Group 1) (\*)

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday

To select multiple days, hold down 'CTRL' & click on days, OR, hold down & drag mouse

What year level students would be attending? (Group 1) (\*)

☒ Juniors ☐ Middles ☐ Seniors

What is your intended curriculum focus? (Group 1) (\*)

What days will this group be staying? (Group 2) (\*)

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday

What year level students would be attending? (Group 2) (\*)

☐ Juniors ☒ Middles ☐ Seniors

What is your intended curriculum focus? (Group 2) (\*)

What days will this group be staying? (Group 3) (\*)

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday

What year level students would be attending? (Group 3) (\*)

☐ Juniors ☐ Middles ☒ Seniors

What is your intended curriculum focus? (Group 3) (\*)

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## Preferred Program Dates .....

# Your Dates

**Note:**

You have selected the following number of days for your stay: 5

You have also selected the following weekday(s): **Full Week (Monday to Friday)** as the preferred day(s) for your stay.

From the options below please select a Week/Date that you would prefer to attend Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre. You must provide 3 different options.

Please contact us if you require additional information.

What is your preferred week/date? (1st preference) (\*)

Term 1 - Week 6 - Begin Mon 4th Mar 2024

What is your preferred week/date? (2nd preference) (\*)

Term 2 - Week 6 - Begin Mon 29th May 2024

What is your preferred week/date? (3rd preference) (\*)

Please Select

Please Select

Term 1 - Week 1 - Begin Mon 29th Jan 2024  
Term 1 - Week 2 - Begin Mon 5th Feb 2024  
Term 1 - Week 3 - Begin Mon 12th Feb 2024  
Term 1 - Week 4 - Begin Mon 19th Feb 2024  
Term 1 - Week 5 - Begin Mon 26th Feb 2024  
Term 1 - Week 6 - Begin Mon 4th Mar 2024  
Term 1 - Week 7 - Begin Mon 11th Mar 2024  
Term 1 - Week 8 - Begin Mon 18th Mar 2024

Term 2 - Week 1 - Begin Mon 15th Apr 2024  
Term 2 - Week 2 - Begin Mon 22nd Apr 2024  
Term 2 - Week 3 - Begin Mon 29th Apr 2024  
Term 2 - Week 4 - Begin Mon 6th May 2024  
Term 2 - Week 5 - Begin Mon 13th May 2024  
Term 2 - Week 6 - Begin Mon 29th May 2024  
Term 2 - Week 7 - Begin Mon 27th May 2024  
Term 2 - Week 8 - Begin Mon 3rd Jun 2024  
Term 2 - Week 9 - Begin Mon 10th Jun 2024  
Term 2 - Week 10 - Begin Mon 17th Jun 2024

Each drop down will give you the academic weeks for 2024. If your dates don't appear please scroll down .....

**Please Note:-**

**There are some academic weeks missing in Terms 1, 2 & 4 due to Blackwood Events and Blackwood Staff not being available for Residential Programs during those weeks**

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What is your preferred week/date? (2nd preference) (\*)

Term 2 - Week 6 - Begin Mon 29th May 2024

What is your preferred week/date? (3rd preference) (\*)

Term 3 - Week 6 - Begin Mon 19th Aug 2024

Do you have any additional information that is relevant to your booking request?

Thank you for a magnificent and very easy to use booking system.

Enjoy a sensational day.

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PREVIEW YOUR BOOKING >

**Please note:- These preferred dates are for ONE (1) Application Request ONLY**



Full preview of your request .....

# Preview of your program request:

## Your Details

School:	FRANKSTON SDS
Name:	Tony Bellette
Email:	blackwood.specialschools.oec@education.vic.gov.au
Your Principal:	The Principal
Your Principal's Email:	The.Principal@education.vic.gov.au
Your Contact Number:	0353686768

## Your Stay

Accommodation:	Tent Shelter
Duration:	5 Day(s)
Preferred Day(s):	Full Week (Monday to Friday)

## Your Groups

Number of Groups:	3
Group 1:	
Day this Group will be staying:	Monday,Tuesday
Year level of Students:	Juniors
Selected curriculum focus:	Teamwork
Group 2:	
Day this Group will be staying:	Tuesday,Wednesday
Year level of Students:	Middles
Selected curriculum focus:	Resilience
Group 3:	
Day this Group will be staying:	Wednesday,Thursday,Friday
Year level of Students:	Seniors
Selected curriculum focus:	Teamwork

## Your Dates

Preferred week (1st preference):	Term 1 - Week 6 - Begin Mon 4th Mar 2024
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Preferred week (3rd preference):	Term 3 - Week 6 - Begin Mon 19th Aug 2024

### Additional information that is relevant to your booking request:

Thank you for a magnificent and very easy to use booking system. Enjoy a sensational day.

The application you are about to submit is a **"request for a program only"**. You will receive notification of the outcome of your application within 4 weeks of the application closing date.

Please note, if your application is successful, the exact dates, accommodation site and curriculum offered may be different to your application request.

Thank you.

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SUBMIT APPLICATION

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Thank you page .....

# Thank You!

Dear Tony Bellette,

Thank you for your application request for a program at Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre.

The exact dates and lessons of your stay at Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor Education Centre may differ from your application. Confirmation of your application will be supplied, along with further details in September 2023.

One of our staff members may contact you at **blackwood.specialschools.oec@education.vic.gov.au** or **0353686768** if we require any additional information regarding this application request.

We look forward to working with you and welcoming your students and staff to Blackwood in the future.

If you would like to submit another program application, please click the 'Make Another Application' button below.

MAKE ANOTHER APPLICATION

VISIT OUR HOMEPAGE

**STEP 1** My Principal has approved this Program Request (\*)

☒ Yes

**STEP 2**

START YOUR APPLICATION >

**STEP 3**

If you choose to make another Application, your Page 1 details will already appear completed .....

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This is the email you & your Principal will receive .....

## 2024 New Program Request - FRANKSTON SDS



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To Frankston Special Developmental School - Blackwood Special Schools Outdoor E12:51 PM



If there are problems with how this message is displayed, click here to view it in a web browser.

A new 'Program Request' has been made! See the information below for more details.

### Preview of the program request:

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#### Their Details

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FRANKSTON SDS

**Name:**

Tony Bellette

**Email:**

[blackwood.specialschools.oec@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:blackwood.specialschools.oec@education.vic.gov.au)

**Principal:**

The Principal

**Principal's Approval:**

Yes

The email also includes your full application.