

Sport and Recreation (1 point each)

- ◆ School representative in a sport
- ◆ Zone representative in a sport
- ◆ ACT representative in a sport
- ◆ Australian representative in a sport
- ◆ Coaching a team

Special Programs

Points awarded for programs are dependent on the length of commitment.

- ◆ Half day per week, per term: 2 points
e.g. Young Carers, Messengers Program, School Based Student Services Programs
- ◆ Full day per week, per term: 5 points
e.g. SPICE, ASBA

Active Membership of School Committee and Teams (2 points each)

These are activities that require attendance or participation in the student's non-class time e.g. lunch time or after school.

- ◆ Gold Creek SRC
- ◆ School Board
- ◆ Band
- ◆ Theatre productions
- ◆ Environment Club

Public Performances (1 point each)

- ◆ Band, singing, dancing, etc.
- ◆ Participating in a community production
- ◆ Eisteddfod

Personal Challenge points are negotiable to a maximum of 5 points in each year.

The challenge and the points allocated must be negotiated with the Head of Senior School and approved by the Principal before commencement. Challenges need to be specific

How to Claim your points

Students claim their points by completing a claim form, available from home room teachers and Student Services. Students must have it verified by a staff member; sports coach etc. and submit it in the points box at Student Services.

All claims are expected to be made by the end of week 8 each term. Students are encouraged to claim their points on a regular basis.



Gold Creek Merit System Graduation Points Years 9 and 10

To graduate students must earn a minimum of 220 points over Years 9 and 10. New students to the school will earn points on a pro-rata basis (55 points per semester).

Graduating Level	Minimum total points at each level
Graduation Certificate	220 points
Graduation with Merit	300 points
Graduation with Distinction	350 points

Successful graduation can be achieved by simply meeting all course requirements and participating in expected school activities.

High levels of student participation are acknowledged in this graduation process.

Academic Programs

To achieve the graduation Certificate a minimum of **120** points must be accumulated from the academic program over the two years.

Units of Study

Students gain 5 points for each semester course they successfully complete [D grade or better or status]. Where the course of study is subject to an Individual Learning Plan and the student is successful in meeting the goals of the ILP, this will generate 5 points per subject even if no grade is awarded.

There points are automatically credited to the student.

Academic Activities

- ◆ Competitions, such as the Science, Maths Informatics and English Competitions, 1 point each
- ◆ Debating Team, 2 points
- ◆ Da Vinci Decathlon, 2 points
- ◆ CREST, 2 points
- ◆ Maths Enrichment, 2 points
- ◆ NAPLAN, 1 point
- ◆ Diligent participation in Year 9 Exhibitions (1 point)
- ◆ Road Ready (1 point)
- ◆ Completion of ICT Competencies Years 9 and 10 (1 point)

- ◆ Work Experience and completion of log book (2 points)

Year 10 Student Pathways

Completion of all elements of the Pathways by the due date (5 points).

School and Community Involvement

To graduate a minimum of **100** points must be accumulated from School and Community Involvement over the two years.

Work Habits

These points are awarded for the active participation in class activities, completing homework and assignments and being prepared for class activities and are reflected in the end of semester reports under *effort*.

- Effort Grade 1 = 5 points
- Effort Grade 2 = 4 points
- Effort Grade 3 = 3 points
- Effort Grade 4 = 1 point
- Effort Grade 5 = 0 points

These are automatically credited to each student.

Active participation in school life (1 point unless otherwise indicated)

Participation can be as a competitor, organiser, house supporter or volunteer for defined duties

- ◆ Significant participation in a sports carnival (competing in a lot of events)

- ◆ Active participation in class based school culture activities

- ◆ Uniform compliance (wearing correct uniform **including footwear**) ½ point per week

Jackets/Jumpers should be plain navy or maroon. In Term 2 & 3 an additional ½ point per week.

Points will not be given for PARTIAL uniform or uniform with added garments such as coloured undershirts.

- ◆ Punctuality (no late notes or truancy) ½ point per week
- ◆ Being a buddy for a new student over a period of time. (1 point, signed off by Executive Teacher)

Part Time Work

Students must have been working for at least 10 weeks per semester. Evidence of employment is required e.g. payslips, letter from employer (1 point per semester).

Community and Volunteer work (1 point each)

- ◆ Guide or assist at school functions e.g. Year 5 transition visits, open night, parent information evenings, etc
- ◆ Student representation at official forums
- ◆ On-going sanctioned volunteer work in the community e.g. Red Cross, St Vincent De Paul, Salvos - door knocks, etc