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## Top English, maths schools in 2018 HSC revealed

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Seven of this year's top 10 HSC English schools were non-selective, with Kambala, Alpha Omega Senior College and Killarney Heights High showing significant improvements on last year to make the top five.

Meanwhile, Parramatta Marist High and Knox Grammar sailed past selective schools to feature among the top five maths schools.

In English, James Ruse Agricultural High School held its number one spot, but Kambala rose nine places from last year to take second, and a strong performance from Auburn's Alpha Omega Senior College helped it climb to third.

Killarney Heights High School, a co-educational, comprehensive school in Sydney's north, finished fourth in English after placing 74th in the subject last year, and Presbyterian Ladies College rounded out the top five.

The only all-boys' school in the top 10, Northern Beaches Secondary College's Balgowlah Boys' Campus, also a non-selective school, was seventh after taking 10th place last year.

The other schools in the top 10 were Abbotsleigh, Sydney Girls' High, Moriah College, and Freeman Catholic College. The table (below) of top English schools combines results in English advanced, extension one and extension two with last year's position in brackets.

James Ruse also took the top spot in maths again, followed by North Sydney Boys', which held its second spot from last year.

Parramatta's Marist High climbed from eighth to third, North Sydney Girls' improved one spot to fourth, and Knox Grammar was fifth.

Al-Faisal College in Auburn climbed to seventh after finishing 59th last year, while Baulkham Hills High (sixth), Sydney Boys', Reddam House and Normanhurst Boys' rounded out the top 10.

As in English, the table (below) combines results in mathematics, maths extension one and maths extension two. This year, 10 students finished equal first in general maths.

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