

Star Struck 2023

Parent / Carer Information

Welcome to *Star Struck* 2023 and congratulations on your child's successful inclusion in the 2023 production Ignite.

Star Struck is a huge logistical and creative extravaganza and to ensure everyone has the best experience possible it is of the utmost importance that we work together in all aspects of this event. Please take time to read through and familiarise yourself with the information below which has been developed with reference to the School Community Charter (which can be accessed through - education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/school-community-charter).

The following outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW Public Schools to ensure *Star Struck* is a collaborative, supportive and cohesive event.

COVID-19

By your child attending *Star Struck* (rehearsals and performances) you are providing consent as per the statement below:

I acknowledge that this event/activity is required to be held in accordance with any current NSW Health and NSW Department of Education's policies and procedures. I acknowledge and accept that there is a risk that my child may be exposed to COVID-19 whilst attending and participating at this event. I confirm that my child will not attend if displaying any symptoms of illness.

Student safety

During *Star Struck* students are always supervised by teachers from their school. Please make sure you are aware of who your schools supervising teacher/s is and the school determined process for contact during show week.

For the safety and security of all students all holding areas are restricted areas during show week. Access is limited to students and authorised staff only.

All authorised staff will be wearing *Star Struck* security vests and *Star Struck* security passes to identify them.

Student drop off and pick up

Student drop off and pick up will be on the grassed area between the NEC and the centre ring. Schools will be arranged within this area from A – Z. Each school will be allocated a letter as their drop off and pick up point. Under no circumstances will schools be allowed to dismiss their students prior to arriving at their designated letter flag. Parents **MUST** wait at their schools designated flag for pick up. Do not congregate in the forecourt or near the holding rooms.

Traffic Changes

A number of traffic changes will occur in the Broadmeadow area from Tuesday 13 June to Saturday 17 June 2023. These changes are enforced by police and security and fines may apply to those not adhering to the rules.

Brown Rd is a **NO PARKING, DROP OFF ZONE ONLY** during show week – Tuesday 13 June to Saturday 18 June. Under no circumstances are people to leave their vehicle in Brown Rd to walk into the grounds. Brown Rd is a "drop off and leave" zone only.

Students can be dropped off via the following procedures;

- Parents are encouraged to walk their performers to their supervising teachers. They can park either in the NEC designated car park (cost is \$10 on show days) or find alternative parking in the Police Citizens Youth Club area, District Park or on Curley Road, and proceed by foot to the Newcastle Entertainment Centre.
- Parents are encouraged to use the Curly Rd entrance as well as the Brown Rd entrance to access the Showgrounds by foot if meeting students for drop off and pick up.
- Parents wishing to just drop performers off before the show will be allowed into Brown Road to use the designated kiss and ride zone. No parking is allowed.
- Parents picking up performers after the shows will not be allowed to park in Brown Rd.

Please note there is no supervision provided for any child prior to their teachers arriving. Until such time as a teacher arrives the responsibility of the students is that of the parents.

NEC Private Vehicle Parking

The following arrangements will apply to all parents' and patrons using private motor cars and wishing to use the NEC car park:

- Parents and patrons coming to watch the performances are encouraged to park in the Newcastle Showground. A \$10 fee will apply. Entrance to the carpark is via Griffiths Road.

Please note the NEC car park will be free for parents for drop off and pick up on Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 June 2023 for rehearsals, however, will incur a \$10 fee for Friday 17 and Saturday 18 June 2023.

Bus Travel

Those schools traveling to and from rehearsals and performances by bus please see your school for drop off and pick up procedures as these will differ from those outlined in this document.

Personal Belongings

Please ensure all students have their names on everything! No money or valuables should be brought to the venue or left in bags. *Star Struck* holds no responsibility if items are lost or broken.

As the show is double cast in 2023 all items will need to be removed from holding areas following each performance.

Tickets

Tickets for *Star Struck* 2023 Ignite can be purchased through Ticketek via <http://premier.ticketek.com.au/> Please note the Ticketek box office at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre is not open for over the counter or over the phone sales. Online sales only.

Tickets categories and prices are as follows;

VIP seating - \$55.95

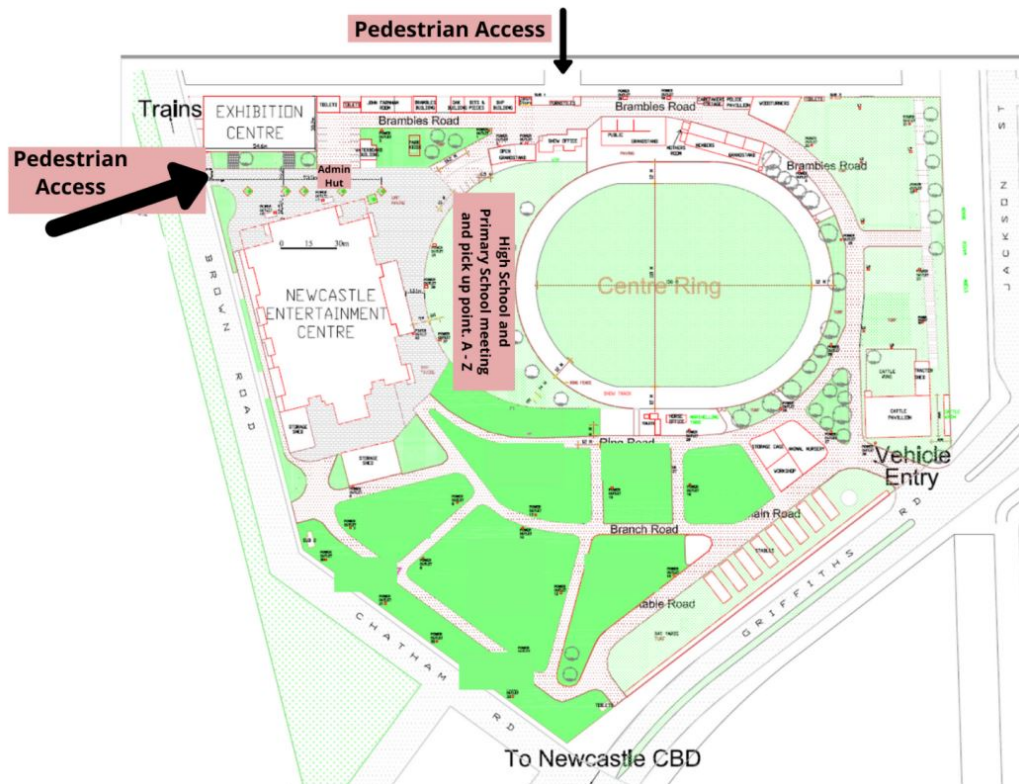
A reserve - \$51.95

B Reserve - \$39.95

Concession (Available in A and B reserve sections only) - \$39.95

NEC Venue Map

Please see venue map for access, drop off and pick up points.



Thank you for your continued support of *Star Struck* and for allowing your child to be part of an amazing performing arts opportunity.

We look forward to seeing you at the show!

Kind Regards,

Star Struck Management Committee 2023