



## Media release

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# 6th in the state for maths and merit list achievements for WAYS Secondary students.

WAYS Secondary staff and students are celebrating the incredible achievements of the graduating class of 2021.

After a chaotic and disruptive academic year due to the ongoing COVID pandemic, including lockdown restrictions, students produced some exceptional results in challenging circumstances.

Two students in particular, have, in spite of their own challenging life experiences as well as the aforementioned COVID related challenges, achieved exceptional results that were beyond their expectations. Olivia Gudgeon as placed 6th in the state for Maths and made it on the merit list for Maths, and Adele Perchey achieved an incredible ATAR and got on the merit list for Maths and Modern History.

“I was very excited, just to see those results come through after the last two years we’ve had,” Olivia said.

“I was so excited about my results and wasn’t expecting this outcome due to the challenges that I have had over my school years, so all the belief from the teachers, and my hard work has paid off” Adele said.

Olivia and Adele said they both felt a sense of relief now that Year 12 has been completed following a challenging year with COVID and online learning.

Olivia is pursuing tertiary studies in neuroscience and Adele, having gotten into all her University courses is considering tertiary options in nursing, chemical engineering or the paramedic field.

### About WAYS Secondary

WAYS Secondary is an NESAC accredited, Independent high school for young people who want an alternative to mainstream education. Currently offering years 9, 10, 11 and 12, WAYS Secondary provides an innovative, safe and supportive learning environment that helps students thrive and achieve their educational goals. For more info about the school see [ways.org.au](https://ways.org.au).

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**Interviews**

WAYS CEO/ Principal Dr Terri Said and WAYS Secondary teaching staff are available for interviews. Please contact Dr Terri Said on 0413616757 or at [terri@ways.org.au](mailto:terri@ways.org.au) to arrange a time.

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