

Junior Secondary





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LOCAL FOUNDATIONS; GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES



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Welcome to Nambour State College Senior Campus

Principal's welcome

On behalf of everyone at Nambour State College we would like to welcome you to our fantastic College. I am very proud to be Principal of this high performing and supportive College. The education and care of every child is very important to us, and we are honoured that you have chosen our College.

Nambour State College is a Prep - Year 12 Independent Public School situated in the picturesque township of Nambour on the Sunshine Coast. Being a Prep – Year 12 College we offer the unique opportunity of a seamless transition from primary to secondary which allows our students to experience both supportive, academic and social outcomes.

It provides students with an opportunity to enrich their learning through access to an extensive range of facilities and experienced staff. We also ensure that the design and delivery of quality learning experiences are relevant and appropriate to our students. At Nambour State College our vision is to support students to excel in their chosen pathway, nurturing independence, compassion, innovation and global citizenship.

Our reputation and standards attract students from across the Sunshine Coast with no enrolment boundaries. Our College farm is unique with an outstanding reputation through local and state agricultural shows. We have a highly successful English as an Additional Language Unit attracting many international students and study tour groups along with a Community Pathways unit catering for a diverse range of students with disabilities. These specialist units provide our students with the opportunity to receive extensive specialist support.

We invite you to become part of our Nambour State College community, encouraging a genuine sense of belonging for all our students and families.

Anthony Green College Principal



College Vision

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Essential Information

Our Team

Executive Principal: Mr Anthony Green Campus Principal: Mr Matthew Bradley Deputy Principal (Years 9 - 10): Ms Julie Weber Deputy Principal (Years 7 - 8): Ms Renee Rackley Deputy Principal (Inclusion): Mrs Sandi Smith Head of Junior Secondary: Ms Emma Wratten

Important Dates for 2021

- Term 1 Wednesday 27th January Thursday 1st April
- Term 2 Monday 19th April Friday 25th June
- Term 3 Monday 12th July Friday 17th September
- Term 4 Tuesday 5th October Friday 10th December

2021 Public Holidays/Student Free Day

Tuesday 26th January (Australia Day) Monday 26th April (Anzac Day) Monday 3rd May (Labour Day) Friday 11th June (Nambour Show Day) Friday 3rd September (Student Free Day) Monday 4th October (Queen's Birthday)

Special Events

- Celebration Assemblies
- Swimming Carnival
- Cross Country
- Colour Run
- NAIDOC Week
 Celebrations
- Extravadance
- Cultural Production
- Junior Music Night
- Awards Night
- Pinnacle Immersion Day
- End of Term Rewards

Student Admin Office (A12) Ph: 5450 4187

- Attendance and absence centre
- First aid, medication, sick bay and sick student collection
- Late to school or early to leave
- Uniform pass
- Forms and Rolls
- Lost property and collection of confiscated items

College Newsletter

The College publishes a newsletter twice a term. This can be accessed via our website and can be subscribed to by clicking on the newsletter link on the home page or complete the form enclosed with the enrolment application forms. Contact the P&C Office on 5450 4121 or skeigo@eq.edu.au for details. www.namboursc.eq.edu.au

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Day Structure

Day Structure	Monday - Friday
OFFICE OPEN	8:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday - Thursday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm Friday
PERIOD 1	8:55 am - 10:15 am
MORNING TEA	10.15 am - 10.50 am
PERIOD 2	10:50 am – 12:00 pm
PERIOD 3	12:00 pm – 1:10 pm
LUNCH	1.10 pm - 1.40 pm
PERIOD 4	1:40 pm – 2:50 pm



Uniform

Nambour State College has a formal and non-formal school uniform, and as a member of the College community, each student is expected to wear this uniform correctly. The uniform policy has been developed by our P & C.

Any student who is genuinely unable to comply with the school uniform requirements, due to financial reasons, or an exemption is requested, is expected to contact the College Principal. Arrangements may be made to assist the student to comply with the dress code.



Non-formal Uniform

Item	New College Uniform	Must be purchased from the College
Shirt	NSC Polo shirt 7-9 Royal Blue/Black 10-12 Royal Blue/White	<i>✓</i>
Skirt	NSC Black College skirt worn below mid-thigh (no alterations in length), logo visible	1
Shorts	NSC Black College shorts worn below mid-thigh, loose fit, logo visible	1
Tracksuit pants	Plain black track pants	
Jumper	NSC Black College jacket (zip up)	\checkmark
Senior Jersey	As provided – Year 12's only	\checkmark
Trousers	Plain black business dress pants	
Stockings	Beige or black, no patterns (not footless)	
Socks	Plain white or black socks, no markings, worn visibly below calf	
Shoes	Predominantly black - minimal white detail only allowed. Black leather, suede or vinyl shoes or joggers. Canvas or mesh-style not permitted. No coloured laces. No shoes above ankle height. No boots. Non-uniform footwear can be worn for specific activities only (i.e.: sport, farm)	

Formal Uniform - Compulsory on Wednesday but can be worn any other day.

Item	New College Uniform	Must be purchased from the College
Shirt	NSC Blue stripe shirt	\checkmark
Tie	NSC Black and Gold crossover (optional) OR NSC Black striped long (optional)	1
Skirt	NSC Black College skirt worn below mid-thigh (no alterations in length), logo visible	\checkmark
Shorts	NSC Black College shorts worn below mid-thigh, loose fit, logo visible	1
Tracksuit pants	Plain black track pants	
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Other items

Item	Description
Thunder shirt	Sports shirt – only to be worn when playing sport (Optional – available from uniform shop)
Rings	Plain and flat, no sharp edges
Piercings	Ears: Small sleepers or studs Nose: One small stud in the side of the nose Not permitted: Other facial piercings and or flesh stretching items
Make up	Subtle only, no coloured lipstick
Religious/ medical pendants	Worn under shirt Medical bracelets permitted
Hat	NSC Black wide brimmed bucket hat (available from uniform shop) or other appropriate hat. Students are strongly encouraged to wear a hat when outside.
Religious headwear	As determined by religious observance.



X Incorrect Footwear





Equipment Needed

Provided by the student	Provided by the College
 Fully stocked pencil case (pens, pencils, rubber, ruler, glue stick etc.) Scientific calculator 	 Student Diary - Year 7 only Specialist equipment Personal Protective Equipment (e.g. lab
 Notebook for each subject BYOx device (see ICT requirements below) 	 coats) Textbooks and online textbook access codes Novels, scripts etc. This is provided as part of the Student Resource Scheme, and WiFi as
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ICT Requirements for students

Nambour State College ICT Vision:

Students have 24/7 digital access to learning materials so that they can learn when, where and how they want.

Every student has access to an individual learning device that connects them to these learning materials, and classrooms are also equipped with current electronic teaching devices.

The College is a learning hub that provides students with open connections to other education providers including virtual schooling, online courses, Universities and TAFE, internships, work experience, and community based learning.

The College provides the infrastructure to support school and student owned devices via a high speed internet connection.

Students can access ICTs:

- Bring your Own Device
 - Senior Campus (Laptop) annual cost of \$60 (covers connection, Adobe licence and ICT support)

https://namboursc.eq.edu.au/Supportandresources/Pages/Bring-Your-Own-Laptop-Program.aspx

- · College Owned "Equity" devices
 - Speciality areas e.g. Graphics, Film & TV
 - Loan devices
 - Class kits or trolleys

For more information contact the Head of eLearning Mr Mark Piper on 5450 4191.

House System

Students are assigned to a house on enrolment. Siblings are enrolled in the same house. Students represent their house in sports carnivals and other house competitions.

The new houses were designed to encompass whole of school activities, not just sport.

Freeman House – Red – Cathy Freeman

Irwin House - Green - Steve Irwin

Rush House - Gold-Yellow - Geoffrey Rush

Watson House - Blue - Jessica Watson

The colours are the same as used in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags.







Junior Secondary Curriculum and Subjects

All Junior Secondary students study the ACARA National Curriculum that encompasses both core and elective subjects. All subjects teach, learn and assess the cross-curriculum general capabilities of literacy, numeracy, ICTs, critical and creative thinking, personal and social skills, ethical understanding and intercultural understanding.

Year 7 is a time of transition and as such students are supported through long-term transition programs, share core classes and teachers, and have a skills development class to explicitly learn high school skills and receive additional assistance with self-organisation and success. Year 7 have 6 core subjects. Elective subjects are run in 8-week rotations designed to allow students to try each of the subjects available in Year 8 and 9.

At the end of Year 7, students choose their subjects for Years 8 and 9. Skills development is removed from their core classes and Japanese and Italian become electives. In Year 8 and 9 students have 5 core classes and choose 3 electives.

Nambour State College also has provision for all students to study languages other than Japanese and Italian via Distance Education. Students can study from Year 10 onwards and credit this to ATAR points. Distance Education languages may include German, Indonesian, Russian, French or Chinese.

Further information about Nambour State College subject offerings can be found on our College website at: www.namboursc.eq.edu.au



Opportunities

Scholarships

Nambour State College offers eight scholarships for students entering Year 7. This scholarship opportunity is sponsored by our P&C and scholarships are all valued at \$500 (a credit toward resource fees, uniforms, excursion costs and resources). The scholarships are offered in four areas with two scholarships available for each area:

Academic · Sporting · Cultural (Arts) · Leadership

Prospective recipients can find the application form on the College website. Applications close on the last Friday of July.



Pinnacle Program

Nambour State College has built a strong reputation for providing outstanding academic outcomes. This is the tenth year Nambour State College will deliver an exciting program that caters for the needs of highly academic students. The Pinnacle Program is an accelerated learning program to cater for the needs of students of above-average ability and extend students with significant potential.

Providing a learning environment that supports students' learning, the Pinnacle Program not only encourages students to strive for excellence, it also supports a focus on higher-order thinking skills, problem solving and senior subjects. Students will support each other in learning and participate in peer mentoring. The Pinnacle Program also provides students with the skills to be active citizens within our community and achieve excellence in their senior years of schooling.

Would you like your child to be considered (if eligible) for inclusion in this program? Application forms can be found on the College website, or by contacting the Head of Junior Secondary Ms Emma Wratten: <u>ewrat4@eq.edu.au</u>.



Specialist Sport Programs

All students are enrolled in General HPE and may be offered a position in one of three specialist programs: • Rugby League • Tennis • Volleyball

All four options for HPE are designed as a three year course and all work towards the same learning outcomes. In General HPE, students learn through a variety of games and sports whereas the specialist courses focus on refining skills and understandings in one particular sport. Students entering specialist courses must be available to represent the College in their chosen specialist sport and must be committed to continuous personal improvement.

Our sports program covers a range of sporting opportunities. Our College engages in interschool competition particularly with local schools. Representative level competition at a District, Regional or State level is strongly supported.







Agriculture

Nambour State College has a fully-functioning agricultural farm to the east of campus. The farm incorporates a number of enterprises designed to expose the student to industry level animal husbandry, primary production and horticulture. Animal Husbandry involves miniature horses, sheep, goats, pigs, poultry, crayfish, dairy and beef cows. Horticultural Production including the use of student vegetable plots, school orchard, plant nursery and hot house. Aquaculture allows students to participate in a growing agricultural industry. Our Aquaculture unit contains red claw crayfish at all lifecycle stages.

Dairy Cattle Show Team

The Dairy Cattle Show Team comprises of a group of Year 7 to Year 12 students from the Agriculture Department who spend many of their weekends showing the school's cattle at shows across South East Queensland including the Ekka. These students select the most suitable school cattle for showing, train them, prepare them for the shows and then show them, competing against commercial breeders.

Miniature Horse Show Team

The Miniature Horse Show Team consists of students from Years 7 to 12 from the Agriculture Department. These dedicated students spend many of their lunches and afternoons training, grooming and preparing these little bundles of fun for shows. The team competes against other schools and commercial breeders at various shows across South East Queensland including Maleny and Nambour.







The Arts

Nambour State College provides an immersive, creative-strengths oriented and well-known creative arts program. Our College attracts young artists from across the Sunshine Coast and provides them with specialist training, extracurricular activities and a variety of live performance and exhibition opportunities during the year. Our creative arts students are well recognised for their high-standard of product, performance and diversity of style.

The Arts in Curriculum

The National Curriculum Arts subjects of Visual Art, Dance, Drama and Music are offered from Year 7 through to Year 12. All Year 7 students rotate through these subjects, before choosing their Year 8 and 9 electives.

Students can expect to create Visual Art using a variety of material types and style influences, learn Dance via Hip Hop, find their voice in Drama and explore a range of instruments in Music.

Creative Arts Excellence Program

Our Nambour Academy of Creative Arts (NACA) is a high-calibre super group of Junior Secondary students looking to build on their existing Visual Art, Dance, Drama or Musical talent. Year 7 to 10 students are offered the opportunity to audition to be in the Music, Dance, Drama and Visual Art NACA Excellence program. Successful applicants will participate in additional excellence classes throughout the whole year. Students will still participate in all the rotation electives on both elective lines. At Nambour State College, we are proud to offer a wide variety of award winning ensembles,



groups and activities in which students can participate in. Please note that for 2021 applications and auditions will be completed electronically. For further information about the NACA program please contact Liz Clout HOD The Arts <u>eclou6@eq.edu.au</u>.

Instrumental Music

Nambour State College offers an Instrumental strings, woodwind, brass and percussion program for students from Year 4 to Year 12 once a week on a rotating timetable during class time. These Instrumental Music students are invited to join the College Concert Band or String Ensemble which rehearse once a week, outside of class time. These larger ensembles are the key

to offering performing experience to our young musicians. Our Concert Band and String Ensemble perform at most school functions, tour the local area annually and compete in the state-wide Fanfare Festival.



Makerspace

Our Makerspace is a Centre of Excellence for Digital Technologies. Students will utilise the Makerspace in their Digital Technologies classes but may choose to get involved further with extracurricular activities including Young ICT Explorers, coding, interschool robot competitions and drones.





Digital Citizenship

Students should be conscious creators of the content and behaviours they exhibit online and take active responsibility for building a positive online reputation. They should be conscious of the way they portray themselves, and the way they treat others online.

Students should be mindful that the content and behaviours they have online today are easily searchable and accessible. This content may form a permanent online record into the future. Interactions within digital communities and environments should mirror normal interpersonal expectations and behavioural guidelines, such as when in a class or the broader community.

Parents are requested to ensure that their child understands this responsibility and expectation.

Leadership Opportunities

Student Leaders at Nambour State College represent our learning community and should demonstrate that they embrace and model all of our College community values and expectations. Leadership opportunities in Junior Secondary start in Year 7 with House Representatives, and become broader in Year 8 with portfolio positions in the areas of Academic, Sporting, Arts, Culture and Environment. Student Leadership is based on the expectations that the Junior Secondary Leaders will:

- provide an active and supportive role in school culture and school events
- be a role model for all students
- represent the College in the community when required
- assist other students to be the best they can

Applications open in Term 4 of each school year.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students

All Nambour State College students acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which our College stands and pay their respects to elders past, present and emerging. Our students learn about the rich cultural history of our First Nations community, and celebrate NAIDOC Week, National Reconciliation Week and recognise National Sorry Day.

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students have on-campus support from our Indigenous Community Advisor and are invited to participate in a variety of leadership, wellbeing and career programs such as the Deadly Young Persons program, Beyond the Broncos and community outreach.

Our Junior Secondary Cultural Leaders work closely with our Indigenous Community Advisor and College leadership to further recognise, embed and celebrate Indigenous strengths, perspectives and needs in our College community.





Freya Erlandsson (Year 12, 2020) Conservation of Country

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Community Pathways

Community Pathways cater for a diverse range of students. Students that identify with a disability are provided the opportunity to receive extensive specialist support from the Pathways team. Students are encouraged to participate within the life of the College to achieve optimum individual learning outcomes. Each Pathways student is provided a Case Manager, who works collectively with colleagues, stakeholders and community organisations to meet the needs of each individual. These needs are often varied and extensive and are not limited to learning, they include social and emotional wellbeing, acceptance and inclusion, academic success and personal pride. Pathways students have access to a unique learning environment that allows them access to the curriculum with a focus on their individual goals and post-school opportunities.

Transition - Primary to Junior Secondary

Transitioning from primary to secondary school is a challenging and unfamiliar process. This has been developed considering the six guiding principles of junior secondary – distinct identity, quality teaching, student wellbeing, parent and community involvement, leadership and local decision making.

To ensure a seamless transition, we begin the process in Term 2 to establish relationships with the students, recognise their individual strengths, provide subject experiences and address any concerns.

Junior Secondary

Community Pathways offer combined Year 7 to Year 9 Core Curriculum classes. Focusing on the development of functional Numeracy and Literacy skills in reading, writing, ICTs, number, measurement and problem solving.

History and Geography, where students explore and analyses past events and how they influence the world today. Students undertake an inquiry based approach in Science to explore theory and participate in practical experiments.

Junior Practical Skills

An alternate individualised program to meet the needs of students who are disengaged or find it challenging to learn in a classroom environment. This program encompasses National Curriculum in an everyday environment and real world situations with relationships being the foundation for learning. With a focus on character, citizenship, collaboration and communication.

Senior Secondary

We offer the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) and the Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA). We support senior students to participate in mainstream classes to achieve their QCE or an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank. (ATAR)

The QCIA offers a pathway for students who have an individualised program that is student centred and specific. The QCIA prepares students for post school options focusing on work readiness, community involvement, health and wellbeing and functional Numeracy and Literacy.

The QCIA program allows for flexibility so the students can be engaged in work experience, TAFE courses and traineeships. Within the QCIA program the students have the opportunity to complete a Certificate in Visual Arts. This nurtures basic creative and technical skills and inspires students to be creative and lateral thinkers.



Student services and support programs

At Nambour State College the Positive Schooling Team works with students, parents and staff to support the health and well-being of all students. The team support students on an individual and small group basis, as well as providing support programs throughout the College.

The team is made up of:

- Guidance Counsellors
- School Nurse
- Indigenous Community Advisor
- School Chaplains
- Student engagement consultant
- Connect 2 Education Officer
- SWAG Program Coordinator
- · Head of Department Positive Schooling



The team also works with outside agencies and groups, to help connect students and their families with appropriate support and programs.

Students and parents can access the team by contacting the College, and appointments can be made at the office.

P & C Association

The Nambour State College P & C Association is made up of a small group of ordinary parents that meet to discuss opportunities and make decisions on the future direction of the P & C. We would love parents to offer as little or as much time as they can to our College P & C.

In recent years, the P & C have been involved in the following major projects:

- External lights and sound system for Hungerford Hall
- New cold room and air-conditioning for the Tuck Shop
- Shade structures, paving, landscaping and gardens to the Tuck Shop courtyard
- Financial support for the School Chaplaincy program
- · Remote controlled screen, projector and data points in Hungerford Hall
- · Additional mobile data projectors for classroom use
- · Shade and shelter structures with seating, benches and gardens
- Renovations to our College Tuck Shop and purchase of new appliances
- Relocation of the College Uniform Shop and P & C Office
- New stage curtains in Hungerford Hall
- · Renovate and Upgrade Student Wellbeing Centre including new kitchen attached.
- · Retractable seating for our Junior Campus hall.
- Outdoor Learning Hub for Hospitality.
- TV's throughout the senior campus for daily student notices.
- Nambour State College Kitchen Garden

The P & C needs parents to come along to the monthly meetings to maintain a strong P & C, and to continue to benefit from a broad cross-section of opinion from parents. Help us, support your students, support this College, support your P & C, and come along to a P & C meeting.

The P & C meets on the third Wednesday of each month (about 8 times allowing for holiday periods); 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start for about 2 hours; we meet in the Senior Campus. Dates are advertised in the College newsletter and online.



Why choose our College?

Nambour State College empowers our students with choice. The moment they step through our gates, as either a toddling Preppie, a fresh-faced Year 7 student or other, our 1400 students have access to subjects, programs and pathways significantly more diverse, supportive and real-world based than many of them realise. Our College has been the largest education provider in Nambour for decades and is strengthened by embracing and harnessing the many skills our students arrive at school already equipped with (academic or otherwise), and then by helping them to learn new ones through not only the traditional classroom, but also our academic, creative arts and sporting acceleration programs, our lunchtime clubs (including our Kitchen Garden program), our direct-to-industry careers officer and academic coaches, our hands-on working farm and our celebrations of excellence in all its forms. From Prep through to Year 12, students are encouraged to develop and celebrate their strengths through our community celebrations and showcases including PBL Assemblies with class of the week, Junior Campus and Junior Secondary Celebration Assemblies (which also celebrate outstanding individual improvement), College Awards Evening, Extravadance, Music Nights and many more.

We can't wait to welcome your family to our College and, to those who are already part of our community, we are so proud to have you.

