

# Junior Secondary @ Robina State High School



Robina State High School is widely identified as a public high school providing a first-class education for each individual student. Robina State High School is a learning hub of the local community known for its 'family' feel, international flavour and principled young people. Our distinctive academic excellence programs achieve meaningful outcomes for our school community.

Our approach to Junior Secondary schooling:

## Distinct Identity

Junior Secondary students will be encouraged and supported to develop their own group identity within the wider high school. Our school will achieve this through:

- Distinct Junior Secondary teaching teams
- Year 7 students will have home rooms where core subjects and PROMOTE are delivered
- Junior Secondary uniform to distinguish junior students from senior students
- Junior Secondary transition activities and Orientation Day to enable students to familiarise themselves with the school
- Junior Secondary Showcase events each semester
- Refurbished Junior Secondary classrooms
- Year 7 & Year 8 camps in semester 1
- Designated areas for Year 7's and 8's only
- Junior Secondary students can access our signature programs including; Golf, Baseball, Futsal, Sports Excellence, Japanese Immersion, Kingfisher and League for Life
- Dedicated space in newsletter
- The Duke of Edinburgh Award will be offered exclusively to Junior Secondary students from 2015



## Student Wellbeing

We will meet the social and emotional needs of Junior Secondary students with a strong focus on pastoral care.

- Junior Secondary Support Team – Deputy Principal, Head of Junior School, Year Leaders, PROMOTE Teachers, Chaplain, Guidance Officer, School Based Police Officer, School Based Youth Health Nurse
- School Wide Positive Behaviour Support program is heavily embedded to ensure supportive and orderly classroom environments
- Weekly pastoral care program focussing on: Organisational and study skills, self and social awareness, self-management, responsible decision making and relationship skills and the Daniel Morcombe Child Safety Curriculum
- Student Support Programs: Boy's Boxing Program, Rock & Water, PLC, Annexe, Girls Programs, Academic Intervention Programs



## Quality Teaching

Teachers working with students in the Junior Secondary years will be given the skills they need through additional professional development, so they can support young teens through these crucial early high school years.

- Our school expects excellence in educational delivery. Students are offered a quality curriculum with a diverse range of subjects that cultivate 21<sup>st</sup> Century Fluencies
- We have a pedagogical framework and a professional learning program that supports the ongoing development of teacher capacity
- We integrate literacy, numeracy and ICTs across the curriculum
- Publication of a Junior Secondary Curriculum handbook
- Virtual classrooms for all subjects with 24/7 access to curriculum materials and teacher email
- Targeted professional development for Junior Secondary Teachers
- Homework Club and Mathematics tutorials
- Learning Development Centre to support students with disabilities
- Support Teachers available for Literacy and Numeracy assistance



## Parent & Community Involvement

We want parents to stay connected with their students' learning when they enter high school.

- Parents and Citizens' Association
- 'Robina by Night' events to introduce our newest families to our school
- Information evenings throughout the year to address various topics
- Involvement with various business and community organisations through our service learning initiatives

## Leadership

Students will have leadership roles in Years 7, 8 and 9. Dedicated teachers experienced with teaching young adolescents will lead Junior Secondary supported by the principal and administration team.

- Junior Secondary Leadership Structure : Junior Secondary School Captains, Junior Secondary School Leaders, Student Councillors
- Distinct leadership team for Junior Secondary students including a Deputy Principal, Head of Junior School and a Year Leader



## Local Decision Making

The needs of our school community will influence how Junior Secondary is implemented at Robina State High School.

- Consultation and collaboration with 'Greenheart Cluster' primary schools
- Presence at local primary schools throughout 2013 and 2014
- Parent steering committee meetings held to inform planning
- 2014, Head of Junior School appointed
- 2014, 1<sup>st</sup> primary school teacher transitioned to our school
- 2015, 4 additional primary school staff will join our Junior Secondary team



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