



ROBINA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Respectful Responsible Resilient Ready

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SPORTS ACADEMY OVERVIEW

Robina Sports Academy has been created to deliver our student-athletes the opportunity to achieve at the highest level in their chosen sporting domain while striving for a quality education. Through the guidance of our experienced staff, expert coaching panel and outstanding training facilities, Robina State High School students are afforded the occasion to succeed in all facets of their schooling. Our vision is to cultivate a cutting edge sporting institution where high performance and success are demonstrated across all aspects of each student-athletes' growth at Robina State High School.

DANIEL NORTON-SMITH
SPORTS ACADEMY DIRECTOR

The Robina Sports Academy aims to support promising athletes to reach their fullest potential. Our Sports Academy programs have been developed specifically to support students to stretch their athletic abilities. The programs are designed to support participants being linked with peers who share the same goals and priorities. Our Sports Academy programs are supported with a handpicked teaching team and external coaching staff committed to personalised delivery. Ongoing partnerships with industry professionals create a unique high performance environment for students. Each program also has close links to local, state and national associations and Universities that ensure that the Academy experience at Robina State High School goes beyond the boundaries of the school.

BEN WEEKS
PRINCIPAL

SCHOLARSHIPS

The school will grant some scholarships for Year Six students upon entry into the Sports Academy Programs. Scholarships are by written application and winners will be presented with their scholarship at their own school graduation. The scholarship is for the year of entry only and may be a part or full scholarship to contribute to the Student Resource Scheme.



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**A SIGNATURE SPORT PROGRAM
OF ROBINA STATE HIGH SCHOOL**



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN STUDYING BASEBALL AS A SUBJECT AT SCHOOL?

At Robina State High School we have a proud tradition of producing outstanding baseball players who have gone on to play in major baseball leagues around the world including the United States, Japan and Europe. In the past 10 years we have had 4 players from Robina High School sign professional contracts (with the Philadelphia Phillies, Houston Astros, Minnesota Twins and Texas Rangers) and more than 30 have transitioned to play college baseball with scholarships.

BASEBALL EXPERIENCES

Baseball is a sport played globally, and students in our program have the opportunity to play baseball in places they only ever imagined. Biannually our team travels to Japan to experience a culture where baseball is their most popular. We play against a variety of high school teams including Urawa Gakuin (one of the best Baseball High Schools in all of Japan), participate in their rigorous training sessions and attend major league games and other attractions. Often, we have teams from U.S.A., Taiwan and Japan who visit us for training and games throughout the year. These opportunities enable our players to see what it is really like to play against the best.

We also participate in the Australian High Schools' Baseball Championships around Australia which is always a highlight. High performing baseball students also have opportunities to represent our school, Gold Coast, Queensland and Australia, with baseball scouts regularly coming to watch our players for possible inclusion at the highest level.

In 2020, we also introduced an All-Girls Diamond Sports program. Under the guidance of female coaches, our players will advance their baseball and softball skills representing Robina State High School in



various tournaments across Queensland and Australia. With Softball being reintroduced into the Tokyo Olympics and the new Women's Australian Baseball League starting in 2021, we see this as a growth market for female students looking to pursue a sporting career in either of these sports.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Student pathways are a major focus for our Baseball Academy. Teaching staff and coaches track each student's physical and academic performance from Year 7 through to Year 12 and plan with them one-on-one for their futures beyond high school.

Over the years Robina State High School has forged strong relationships with several colleges in the US. Players who demonstrate the qualities required to go to that next level will be recommended by our coaching staff to a variety of colleges where scholarships are also available. This is one of the great opportunities provided by Robina State High School's Baseball Academy.



SESSION DESIGN

Each week our players participate in four baseball sessions including athlete development sessions, field sessions and theory classes focusing on player development. Our training sessions focus on all aspects of the game of baseball. It is not unusual to see several groups of our players working with coaches focusing on a variety of skill sets required to be the best they can be.

Hitting in our purpose built batting cages, pitching in our bullpen, fielding and throwing across our baseball diamond, running on our athletics track, working out in our gym – all of this and more is provided on site to all students in the Baseball Academy at Robina State High School.



(Above) Robina Baseball Academy student representing Queensland Bandits at the National Championships



(Above) Josh Warner, Robina State High School Baseball Academy graduate who signed with the Philadelphia Phillies straight out of Year 12 and played for the Brisbane Bandits during their Australian Baseball League Championship win.

COACHING STAFF

Our coaching team comprises of former professional and college players who are now able to pass on their experiences to our current student group. Students in the Baseball Academy also have access to and support from professional coaches who regularly work with Major League coaches for player development and future planning.

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*Additional fees apply to the Baseball Academy Program