

CORINDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Great state. Great opportunity.

THE CORINDA WAY: EXCEED YOUR EXPECTATIONS!

WELCOME TO CORINDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Corinda State High School is one of Brisbane's leading co-educational public schools. We are conveniently located in a beautiful, leafy setting in the western suburbs of Brisbane, just 20 minutes by train from the city centre.

At Corinda, we believe that every one of our students can achieve their goals. Our job is to provide the right conditions for learning, the foundations for their success and the guidance to steer them on their journey.

This booklet provides an overview of the many and varied aspects of our wonderful school. We look forward to meeting with you and welcoming your child into the nurturing and high quality learning environment at Corinda State High School.

Helen Jamieson, Principal

TO EXCEED YOUR EXPECTATIONS



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THE SCHOOL BADGE

At Corinda, students wear our school badge with pride. The badge is comprised of three parts:

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The traditional shield

Education is not only what students learn about in school. It is also what they learn through their contact with other people and their ideas, and through their own thoughts and experiences. In this sense, education is a shield against ignorance.

COLOURS

Our school colours—two shades of greens and gold

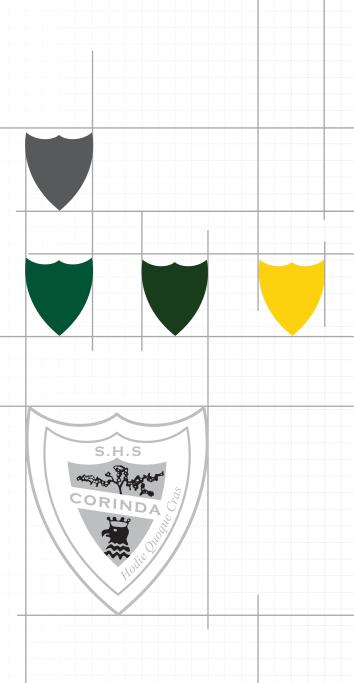
Green represents the leaves of the traditional 'tree of knowledge', while gold represents knowledge as wealth.

SYMBOLS

The phoenix head and the wattle spray

In Greek mythology, the phoenix was a bird consumed by fire as its life drew to a close. From the ashes, it is said to have arisen renewed as a young bird. The phoenix is a symbol of immortality and of everlasting knowledge.

The wattle spray symbolises pride in our country. The Greek word for wattle is acacia, which means 'a point or spike'. This symbol suggests that learning is not always easy but can present challenges that must be met or overcome. When used in combination, the phoenix and wattle spray symbols are a strong reminder that learning is constant and global.





CORINDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL: 'EXCEED YOUR EXPECTATIONS'

Corinda State High School provides a proven pathway for our students to graduate as active participants of a dynamic society who take responsibility for their actions, engage in life-long learning and contribute to the stewardship of the environment. We provide an extraordinary variety of learning opportunities for the young people of Brisbane's western suburbs that not only suit individual needs, but that also exceed expectations.

WHY CHOOSE CORINDA FOR YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION?

At Corinda State High School students are encouraged to achieve personal excellence in their academic endeavours, behaviour and appearance. Our school community values these important standards. We have a very strong science and maths focus, as well as an excellent reputation in the arts and sports. The school also offers a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities including instrumental music, debating and farm teams. In fact, our spacious land and our Agricultural Farm which backs onto the Oxley River and Rocklea Common land, is a unique feature of our school. Our rural setting is quite a contrast to our locality and close proximity to the central business district.

OUR SCHOOL HAS MANY STRENGTHS INCLUDING:

- Dedicated Gifted and Talented Programs
- Unique partnerships with gifted and talented providers
- Highly acclaimed Instrumental Music Program
- Outstanding Science and Maths Programs (including our Agricultural Farm & Laboratory Technology)
- Award-winning Student Leadership Program every student graduates with Certificate II in Active Volunteering
- High standards of personal presentation and student behaviour
- Unique tennis partnership with Pure Tennis Academy
- Strong academic performance
- Every student in years 11 and 12 is assigned an academic coach
- Highly successful Football Excellence Program in years 8 to 12
- Tailored education plan for elite student athletes
- Outstanding Dance Excellence Program
- Language Programs in Spanish, Mandarin, Japanese, German and French
- Sporting academies in years 10, 11 and 12
- Design and Built Environment Program
- Trade Training Centre for Laboratory Technology and Electrotechnology
- ICT Immersion Program—24/7 learning, anywhere, anytime
- Our well-deserved reputation for being rich in tradition with a proud history spanning 50 years

Our programs enable students with a broad range of talents to perform at their optimum level, whether it is in the academic arena, the arts, on the sporting fields or out in the community volunteering.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

Our school is guided by four strategic priorities:

- **Powerful learning and innovative curriculum** to provide an innovative curriculum and learning environment where students are challenged, extended and can excel.
- Sense of community to connect the school community to learning and family partnerships that provide mutual benefits and enhance student outcomes.
- **Exceptional staff** to build a culture of learning and a work environment that attracts high performing staff seeking to join our leading educational institution.
- **Corporate excellence** to create a dynamic, agile and sustainable organisation.

This strategic direction enables Corinda State High School to fulfil its vision:

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THE STAFF

Our staff creates a classroom environment where students can fully engage in their learning programs. We provide a consistent approach to lesson delivery and structure across the entire school that ensures our students own their learning opportunities and are driven to remain focused on their personal pursuit of excellence.

Our curriculum programs are amongst the most extensive and broad ranging on offer in the metropolitan region. Through our valued partnerships with Sarina Russo Institute and other highly reputable Registered Training Organisations, students have access to the full range of academic programs including Certificate IV qualifications.

Our state-of-the-art Trade Training Centre provides students with relevant experience in industry standard laboratory testing facilities as well as opportunities in electrotechnology studies. These fields of study create a range of pathways into industries where there is strong demand for workers with these skills. We are very excited to offer this unique training opportunity at Corinda.





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SPORTS

Our Sporting Academies are the driving force behind our school's outstanding sporting reputation across the metropolitan area. The Football and Dance Excellence Programs continue to grow and perform beyond expectations in high-level competitions.

ELITE ATHLETES PROGRAM

At Corinda State High School we accommodate a broad range of talents and skills and encourage students to perform at their optimum level whether it be in the academic arena, the arts, on the sporting fields or out in the community volunteering. We believe that every student has the capacity to shine, whatever their strength may be. By nurturing these skills and strengths, we can continue to build a strong and prosperous school community that values diversity and the contributions of all.

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THE FOOTBALL PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE

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The Football Program of Excellence at Corinda State High School acknowledges and celebrates kinesetic Gifted and Talented students and has proven to be a popular and rewarding program for students at CSHS.

The Football Program of Excellence is an elective subject that may be studied by Year 7 - 12 students who have displayed an aptitude and commitment to improve their Football skills.

The Junior Secondary course is an elective which may be studied by all students in Year 7, 8 and 9. Students will participate in a tailored theoretical program that focusses on in-depth learning in Health and Physical Education, while the practical units will focus on developing the knowledge and skills associated with football (soccer).

Students in the Senior Secondary course will complete the Certificate III in Fitness, while the practical units will focus on developing the knowledge and skills associated with football (soccer). The course aims to prepare graduates for teaching exercise to groups in the subject recreational programming. It addresses group leadership as well as the planning of single sessions and a series of sessions (programs) for a group - whether it be in a gym setting or an outdoor setting. Topics such as risk management are encompassed in this. The registered training organisation supporting the delivery of this course is Binnacle Training.

THE DANCE PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE

Dance encourages active participation and involvement of the individual. This is an extension subject for those students who wish to study dance further. Previous experience is required and acceptance is by audition only.

This subject is an elective, which may be studied by students in Year 7, 8 and 9 as an alternative to Health and Physical Education.

Students will participate in theoretical units of study identical to Health and Physical Education, while the practical units will focus on developing the knowledge and skills associated with Dance. Students participate in practical and theoretical classes that provide opportunities for the physical, expressive, critical, investigative, imaginative, appreciative and perceptive development.

Through participation, students engage in problem solving and critical reflection of the individual and group circumstances. By reflecting on, responding to, and evaluating various dance genres and styles, students develop an awareness of a professional dancer's life. Students will also have the opportunity to work with Industry Professionals.







HIGH PERFORMING ATHLETES

The High Performing Athletes Program at Corinda State High School provides a uniquely flexible learning opportunity for Senior Secondary students who are kinesetic Giftedness in a particular sporting area. To be eligible for inclusion in this class, athletes must be a member of a Queensland team or have a national rank in their chosen sport.

High Performing Athletes is an elective subject that may be studied by Year 10 – 12 students who have displayed an aptitude and commitment to improve their physical skills in their chosen sporting field. A strong focus on personal branding and role modelling is delivered as part of this program.

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CONNUNITY

At Corinda, we aim to instil the true value of community in all of our students. As a result, our sense of community spirit continues to strengthen. We believe volunteering experiences are not only highly valued by employers, but also help build a well-rounded character.

Our students begin this journey in year 7, undertaking a compulsory Certificate II in Active Volunteering and developing their own sense of giving back during their six years at Corinda. This is an outstanding program and we continually hear wonderful stories from the volunteering organisations that work with our students.

Our true sense of community also shines through when our school participates in the Kokoda Challenge each year in the Gold Coast Hinterland. As our staff, parents and students work together under challenging circumstances to achieve a common goal, they build trust and a remarkable bond and experience a shared sense of pride in their achievements. It is exhilarating to witness.

ACADEMIC COACHING

Central to everything we do is helping students along a continual pathway to improvement and academic achievement. One of the critical aspects of our improvement agenda and something highly valued by our students is our Academic Coaching Program. The individual needs of students are recognised and nurtured through this program to help students achieve all that they are capable of achieving.

"I'm extremely proud to be part of this great school where we honour tradition but embrace change. I have the pleasure of leading an exceptional, hard working and dedicated staff. When you look at all of the students' achievements over the course of a school year, it is a direct reflection of the input provided by our truly committed professionals. Our school is alive. You only have to walk around the grounds after hours, on weekends and during vacation periods to see the extensive work that's being undertaken—coaching, training, supporting and extending our students." – **Helen Jamieson, Principal**





Corinda State High School has a big heart.

This heart is what drives our passion and commitment to ensure every student graduates from this school competitive, qualified and proud.

We live by our school motto, preparing students for whatever challenges may lie ahead...

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A MOTTO AND A STRONG FOUNDATION

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Not only for today, but for tomorrow also.

'Today' provides our students with a steppingstone to the future. Their duty is to make our school, and the world, a better place 'today' and for those who will come 'tomorrow'.

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Corinda State High School offers an extensive curriculum designed to challenge and extend students in their academic and personal growth. Our goal is for every student to leave our school on a successful and relevant pathway.

JUNIOR SECONDARY

Our Junior Secondary program provides education that is responsive to the development needs of students in the early years of adolescence. Children in this age range are experiencing an unmatched period of cognitive, physical, social and emotional change and growth. Students are beginning to think more broadly about issues beyond the home and family and want to engage in authentic, meaningful learning in a modern global context.

CORINDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL'S COMMITMENT TO THE JUNIOR SECONDARY IDENTITY ENSURES:

- Fewer teachers per class grouping and smaller class sizes where teachers 'know the learner'
- Home rooms to reduce movement and support transition into high school
- An unrelenting focus on literacy and numeracy
- Rigorous and engaging curriculum choices
- Intensive tracking, identification and support processes
- A Student Success Strategy (SS Strategy) where one caring adult connects with your student each day
- A strong focus on parental involvement through regular formal and informal interaction

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES OF OUR JUNIOR SECONDARY PROGRAM:

- Five Language Programs to choose from including Japanese, Mandarin, Spanish, German and French with opportunities for acceleration
- High calibre Instrumental Music Program as well as individual piano and guitar tuition
- Junior debating teams competing with high level academic schools
- Soccer Excellence Program where we grow our talent
- Dance Excellence Program where dance is studied as an integral part of the HPE curriculum
- Science & Maths Challenge class and English & Social Science class for like-minded students who are excelling
- Specialised enrichment and extension programs to prepare students for a high-level academic senior pathway
- Design & Built Environment Excellence Program specialising in Industrial Technology & Design with a focus on inquiry, design and problem-solving methodologies to produce products
- Arts and Design Immersion Program designed for students with a strong interest in and enthusiasm for visual arts
- ICT Immersion Program—24/7 learning anywhere, anytime—with access to state-of-the-art emerging technologies
- Elite athletes program, including a specialised Tennis program



SENIOR SECONDARY

The Senior Secondary curriculum at Corinda State High School offers students in years 10, 11 and 12 a broad range of pathways to their future careers. These pathways include:

- A diverse offering of Queensland Studies Authority subjects for students wishing to gain entry into a tertiary institution
- The opportunity to study a Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualification during school time
- The option of completing a traineeship or apprenticeship with one of our many partner industries

The year 10 curriculum is designed to prepare all students for a smooth transition into years 11 and 12 and for their academic studies or vocational pathways. Students can also take up extension subjects in disciplines they have previously studied to further enhance their knowledge and skills. Our academic students use these opportunities to better prepare for the more difficult subjects in their senior years and to ensure they can achieve the best possible Overall Position (OP). During year 10 an extensive careers program is provided to assist students with pathway planning and courses of study.

Senior academic students also have the opportunity to enrol in universitybased programs which provide them with higher academic standing for university entry and credit towards future courses. Partnerships currently exist with:

- The University of Queensland
- Griffith University
- Queensland University of Technology
- University of Southern Queensland

A full range of academic subjects are offered in the Senior School including:

- English
- Maths—all levels
- Science & Advanced Maths & Science
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Biology
- Agricultural Studies
- Sustainable Energy
- Laboratory Technology
- Physical Education—Football Excellence Program
- Health Education & Allied Health
- Languages (Spanish, French, German, Japanese, Mandarin)
- History
- Geography
- Catering & Hospitality
- Fashion Studies
- Tourism Studies
- Building Construction
- Engineering
- Graphics
- Economics
- Legal Studies
- Business Information Technology

- Dance & Dance Excellence
- Drama
- Music
- Instrumental Music
- Visual Art & Digital Design
- Digital Design

Vocational training may begin as early as year 10 with the opportunity for students to engage in school-based apprenticeships and traineeships. Participating students can spend one or two days each week at a workplace where they earn trainee rates and learn on-thejob skills, while completing certificate course work through a training provider.

Corinda State High School is a Registered Training Organisation and this registration enables the school to deliver certificate qualifications across a number of curriculum areas.

There are three modes of delivery for VET:

- Corinda State High School
- School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SAT)
- External VET offerings

CERTIFICATE COURSES OFFERED:

COURSE NAME

Business Communication Technology

Graphics (CAD)

Tourism (Authority)

Business Studies (Approach A)

Information & Communications Technology

Community Activities

Fitness

Music Industry Studies (Creative Arts)

Senior Construction Studies

Senior Engineering Studies

Senior Furnishing Studies

Technology in Art & Design

Technology in Art & Design

Technology in Art & Design

Tourism (Non-authority)

Hospitality

Social and Community Studies

Work Education

LEVEL OF QUALIFICATION

Certificate II in Business BSB 20101

Certificate I Associate Diploma Engineering

Certificate II in Tourism (Operations)

Certificate I & Certificate II

Certificate I & Certificate II

Certificate II

Certificate III

Certificate I & Certificate II

Certificate I in General Construction

Certificate I in Engineering Studies

Certificate I in Furnishings

Certificate I in Media

Certificate II in Multimedia

Certificate III in Multimedia

Certificate II in Tourism (Operations)

Certificate I in Hospitality

Certificate II in Active Volunteering

Certificate I and Certificate II in Work Education

In addition we have established partnerships with the following training providers who deliver on site at Corinda State High School:

- Sarina Russo Institute
- On Fit
- My Other Mum
- Agforce
- Australian Agricultural College
- Institute of TAFE
- Brisbane North Institute of TAFE
- Skills Tech Australia

ACADEMIC COACHING

A student, like any good athlete, will benefit from the personalised support provided by a coach—someone to walk with them, guide them, assist them when they are experiencing life's challenges and to keep them focused on that end goal. That is why at Corinda State High School, we assign every student in the senior school with an Academic Coach. With the support of their Coach, we believe the likelihood that our students will transition into a successful pathway is very high.

The Academic Coach meets with the student at each reporting juncture and assesses their academic progress. Students are provided with a detailed analysis of their academic standing in relation to an Overall Position (OP) prediction to understand whether they are on track to achieve their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). At these junctures, students also discuss their academic goals, set aspirational targets in relation to their academic achievement, and talk about pathway options and support measures that will ensure students can achieve success. A specialised program to encourage high achieving students to continue to excel and to remain focussed is also available.

We feel very strongly about these innovative programs, as do our students, and believe they are a distinctive quality of Corinda State High School—the students' results speak for themselves.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Our Student Leadership Program continues to gain momentum in attracting an overwhelming amount of positive feedback from our volunteering organisations. The program also took out the State Government's Regional Showcase Awards for Excellence in Community Partnerships, providing further public recognition of its outstanding value.

Something integral to achieving our school's vision is our work to help develop 'great citizens', and the Active Volunteering Program is an exciting contribution to this process. Each year 100% of our year 12 students graduate with a Certificate II in Active Volunteering. At Corinda State High School, we truly value the importance of showing leadership in both academic and community endeavours.

DISTINCTIVE CURRICULUM

Corinda State High School provides support to students who are advanced (beyond year level) and gifted (identified) through differentiated learning opportunities and accelerated pathways. Our Excellence Programs are designed so that like-minded students can challenge and further develop their gifts and talents.

Our school is an accredited Queensland Academies Partnership School so depending on a student's skills, they can extend their learning through programs offered at one of the following Queensland Academies campuses: Maths Science & Technology, Creative Industries or Health Sciences.

The school has a dedicated Gifted and Talented Coordinator who is always seeking out opportunities to extend and enrich our highly capable students. In addition to the activities listed below and above, the Coordinator organises additional special programs that help our students to achieve their own personal excellence.

EXCELLENCE PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

There are eight Excellence Programs offered in Junior Secondary to cater for all domains of giftedness. Detailed information about the following programs is available on the school's website (corindashs.eq.edu.au).

INTELLECTUAL GIFTEDNESS

- Maths Science Excellence Program
- English Humanities Excellence Program
- eLearning Associate Excellence Program

CREATIVE/PERCEPTUAL GIFTEDNESS

- Visual Arts Excellence Program
- Music Excellence Program
- Design & Built Environment Excellence Program

MUSCULAR/MOTOR CONTROL GIFTEDNESS

- Football Excellence Program
- Dance Excellence Program



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SENIOR SECONDARY GIFTED & TALENTED PROGRAMS

In Senior Secondary, students can undertake specialised programs such as:

- Advanced Maths and Science—preparing highly academic students for senior sciences such as Physics and Chemistry and Maths B & C.
- Scholars Program—high achievers in year 10 are identified and offered a specialised program to equip them with the skills to focus on academic excellence.
- 20 Club—students identified as being capable of an OP 1-5 are offered a tailored program to assist them in achieving the highest possible results and are coached through their studies, empowering them with the skills to achieve competitive results for university entrance.

THE HERON ISLAND RESEARCH PROGRAM

This specialised research program involves study at The University of Queensland's Heron Island Research Station on the Great Barrier Reef and is available by invitation only to academically-able students in year 11. These students conduct field research on species and ecological topics, and complete transects of the reef flats. Their research uses cutting-edge technology to provide authentic information about the health of the reef. Unique to Corinda State High School for the past 30 years, generations of families have experienced this exciting program. It is undoubtedly, an experience of a lifetime for our students.



UNIVERSITY STUDIES WHILE AT HIGH SCHOOL

As part of their senior years, our students have the opportunity to simultaneously undertake some study with Queensland universities. Corinda State High School participates in a range of university programs including Start QUT, Griffith University GUESTS, USQ Headstart, and Southbank Institute of TAFE's STEP program. While it is a challenge to meet the demands of university studies while completing a full year 12 academic program, it is a wonderful opportunity for those students interested in and able to gain additional credit towards future studies.

PERSONAL EXCELLENCE

Corinda State High School takes a flexible approach to balancing the development of special talent with academic learning. We have had great success to date in accommodating students with outstanding talents, such as those in our specialised coaching programs like Tennis or Track & Field. By tailoring their learning around their training needs and monitoring them closely, we can ensure an appropriate and meaningful balance is created through their curriculum.



SCHOOL READING PROGRAM

Corinda State High School students benefit from a range of reading programs which aim to foster and nurture reading ability.

8RAR (READING AND ENRICHMENT)

All year 8 students participate in the one-semester wide reading program. Year 8 Read-around, affectionately known as 8RAR, promotes four aspects of reading: reading as an enjoyable activity for everyone; regular reading; reading success through peer, teacher and teacher-librarian encouragement and support; and reading success by focussing on the skills that good readers develop.

READING CIRCLE

Reading Circle is an enrichment program for keen readers in year 9. The program aims to extend these students by encouraging the reading of a wide range of outstanding young adult books, group discussions and learning about the processes for evaluating the literary merit of young adult books. The students respond positively to the opportunity to share and discuss with other keen readers.

INTERSCHOOL READERS' CUP

Students across the whole school participate in the BrisWest Teacher-Librarian network Interschool Readers' Cup competition. This competition is open to 11 private and public schools in the Brisbane West area. In addition, our senior readers, under the direction of the Teacher-Librarian, organise, present and lead the year 8 competition.



LANGUAGES EDUCATION

At Corinda State High School students can choose to study one of the following five languages: Chinese, Japanese, Spanish, French and German. Language study begins in Junior Secondary and students may choose to follow through with their chosen language until year 12.

Language study is a popular pathway for many students as it not only provides them with an edge in the workforce, but can also contribute two points towards the calculation of their OP score if successfully completed until senior level.

Accelerated Spanish or Accelerated Chinese classes are offered to students in Junior Secondary. This course has been designed to fast-track students into university by giving them specially designed language classes in the junior years. By studying twice the number of language classes early on, students are ready to embark upon university language courses during year 12. Accelerated language classes are very different from immersion classes as they provide a much more gentle entry into the world of the target language.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

At Corinda, we recognise our place in the global community and are proud to be an accredited International Student Program Provider. That means we always have a number of long and short-term overseas students on campus, often from China, Vietnam, Germany, Japan and Mexico. These students are integrated into our school community, forge life-long friendships with the local students and regularly interact with our foreign language students.

TRADE TRAINING CENTRE

Our brand new Trade Training Centre gives our students access to industry standard training in Laboratory Technology in either Food Testing or General Laboratory Testing. Corinda also has well-established relationships with external industry bodies and training providers so when students have successfully completed their school-based program, there are a variety of opportunities to engage in further training including with one of the largest laboratory testing facilities in Queensland. We are very excited about this unique program.

AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS

Agricultural programs are offered as part of the curriculum at Corinda State High School. Our working Agricultural Farm, right on the school's doorstep, provides outstanding training opportunities for students in agriculture and horticulture. Students participate in industry standard agriculture and animal husbandry training that is enhanced by our strong partnerships with industry bodies.

There are also a number of extra-curricular activities linked to the subjects on offer that provide further opportunities for students to develop their rural skills.



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Corinda State High School recognises the importance of educating the 'whole child' and provides an extensive range of extra-curricular activities. Our school has a strong sense of community and we actively encourage students to involve themselves in school life and take advantage of the many and varied opportunities available to them.

These include:

- Excursions to places of educational significance and cultural enrichment
- Instrumental Music Program, which includes music ensembles, strings, orchestra, percussion ensemble, big band, funk band, concerts, exhibitions, cultural tours, competitions and performances throughout the year
- Dance Troupe/Eisteddfods
- Fashion competitions
- Opportunities to compete at district, state and national levels in selected sports
- The Green Team (environmental club)
- School socials
- Participation in Creative Generations—State Schools on Stage
- Inter-school debating competitions
- Readers Cup
- Human Powered Vehicles (HPV) competitions
- Student leadership opportunities
- School Camps (years 7, 9 & 11)
- Farm Show Teams
- Cultural celebrations such as Multicultural Day
- Student Council
- The Kokoda Challenge—96 km & 48 km trek through the Gold Coast Hinterland
- Annual Ski trips

SCHOOL DANCES – OLD TIME DANCING

A wonderful feature of our extra-curricular program is the valued tradition of old time dancing. Every student participates in this program throughout their five years of secondary schooling at Corinda and we believe it is an important part of a school culture that promotes positive social interaction, physical activity and social inclusion.

Each term the student body organises school dances where students participate in 'sets', as well as in modern dancing. Old time dancing also features in the celebrations at our year 12 students' Senior Graduation Ball. This evening of dancing and fun is a memorable experience for staff and students alike, and is a tradition we greatly value as a school community.

PASTORAL CARE

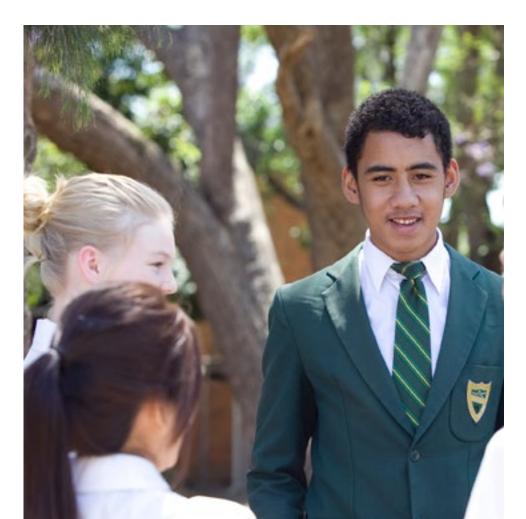
At Corinda State High School, we have a range of initiatives in place to monitor and manage the welfare of our students. All students are assigned a form teacher who also teaches the same form class for a least one subject in the Junior School. The form teacher plays a crucial role in monitoring student welfare, attendance, uniform and academic performance and is a crucial link between school and home. A year level coordinator oversees welfare issues and support for students who are at risk or are in need of access to support services. We use a relational model with these roles so that the Year Coordinator and Deputy Principal remain with the cohort throughout their journey at high school.

The Coordinator also organises programs relevant to the year level such as:

- Year level camps
- Team building
- Leadership activities
- Life skills programs such as drug education and schoolies preparation

CIRCUIT DEBATING

Students in the junior and senior schools have the opportunity to participate in the circuit debating team. Fielding teams across all year levels, our students perform extremely well against a very competitive field of private and public schools. This program has continued to grow and we value the skills this develops in our young people.



SPORTIN EXCELLE

Corinda has an enviable reputation on the sporting field and this is largely due to the extensive array of sports coaching delivered before and after school and during lunch breaks, through our innovative Sports Academy program.

Our Sporting Academies have achieved amazing success to date and our reputation for being a high performing, competitive sporting school has gone from strength to strength.

The dedicated staff at Corinda take every opportunity to develop the skills, talents and athletic potential of our students. Sport is an integral part of school life and instils in our students a strong understanding of and appreciation for personal fitness, and the benefits of teamwork.



VISUAL, CREATIVE & PERFORMING ARTS

With extensive specialist facilities and outstanding programs, visual and performing arts are a highlight of Corinda State High School's highly regarded Arts programs. Facilitated by our talented staff, these programs enhance and draw out an amazing array of talent that exists among the student population. The Arts Faculty is the cultural hub of the school where students seek out opportunities to develop their artistic and creative talents.

Our Music Program continues to have a powerful and positive impact on our students. In fact, our analysis shows there is a strong correlation between students who study music or participate in Instrumental Music, and academic achievement at Corinda.

Corinda State High School provides all students with opportunities to participate in, and enjoy self-expression through the visual arts, digital art, music, dance (including Dance Excellence program) and drama. A broad range of creative programs are available including:

- Dance Excellence
- Music Excellence & Extension
- Visual Arts
- Drama
- Music
- Instrumental Music
- Technology in Art & Design
- Production & Performance
- Music Industry Studies

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

The Corinda State High School Instrumental Music Program is strong, vibrant and involves more than 130 students every year. Six ensembles operate within the program including Symphonic Band, Concert, Big Band and its equivalent Stage Band, plus the Chamber Strings and Percussion Ensemble.

A newly formed district youth orchestra 'The Corinda Youth Orchestra' provides opportunities for students to participate at a higher level with other like-minded students from the surrounding district.

EXTENDING POTENTIAL IN THE ARTS

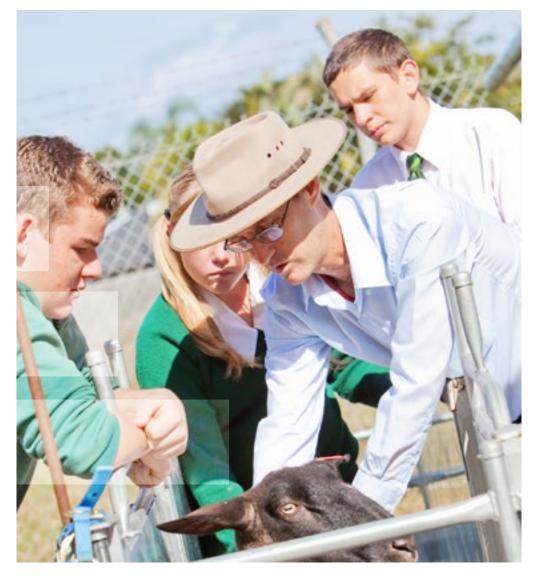
A vast majority of extracurricular activities are available through our Arts Faculty. Students have the opportunity to participate in:

- School performances
- Creative Generations—State Schools on Stage
- Fanfare (Instrumental Music students)
- Brisbane Bands Festival
- Drama Club
- Eisteddfods
- Zen Zen Zo Physical Theatre
- Hip Hop Dance Competitions
- Minister's Awards for Excellence in Art
- Exhibitions
- Music in the Night Extravaganza
- Arts Evenings

Students have the opportunity to participate in a range of competitions and workshops throughout the school year. In true form, our students always compete at a high standard, often winning awards at all levels in our Metropolitan competitions.



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AGRICULTURAL FARM

A fully operational farm featuring sheep, cattle, beekeeping, a plant tissue culture laboratory, a sheering facility and horticulture.



TRADE TRAINING CENTRE

Industry standard food and general testing laboratory with high-tech equipment designed to immerse students in real life learning - a very unique and specialised resource for a high school.



DANCE & DRAMA STUDIOS

Professional studios for dance, drama and performances.



RECORDING STUDIO

A fully-equipped recording studio for music students.





A professional sports centre with fully equipped gymnasium.



SPORTING OVALS & COURTS

Large sporting ovals, multipurpose courts, turf cricket pitch, tennis courts and an outdoor fitness circuit.



ASSEMBLY HALL

A recently refurbished hall used for school functions, dances, special events, assemblies and productions.



SCIENCE INNOVATION CENTRE

Newly renovated and upgraded science laboratories for specific disciplines such as Chemistry, Biology and Physics. Three of the laboratories have extended project rooms where students can work on Extended Experimental Investigations (EEIs).





RESOURCE CENTRE

The school's resource centre is a hub of activity where students undertake research, access technology resources and participate in specialised reading programs.

INDUSTRY STANDARD FACILITIES:

Corinda State High School boasts:

- Two full-sized industry standard catering facilities
- Industrial technology facilities for construction and engineering industry study
- High-tech design studio for 3D drawing.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FACILITIES

School facilities are modified specifically to cater for the needs of students with physical impairments or who need specialist programs.

QUALITY LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

Mathematics Laboratory

Large bank of student tablets accessible through trolleys for classroom use

HEALTHY CHOICES SCHOOL CAFÉ

An award-winning school café leading the way in nutritious choices—the servery opens before, during and after school and provides a full range of healthy options including hot and cold meals, snacks and drinks.

EXCEED YOUR EXPECTATIONS!





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