



Miami

State High School

First Class Location, World Class Education

Values

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Vision

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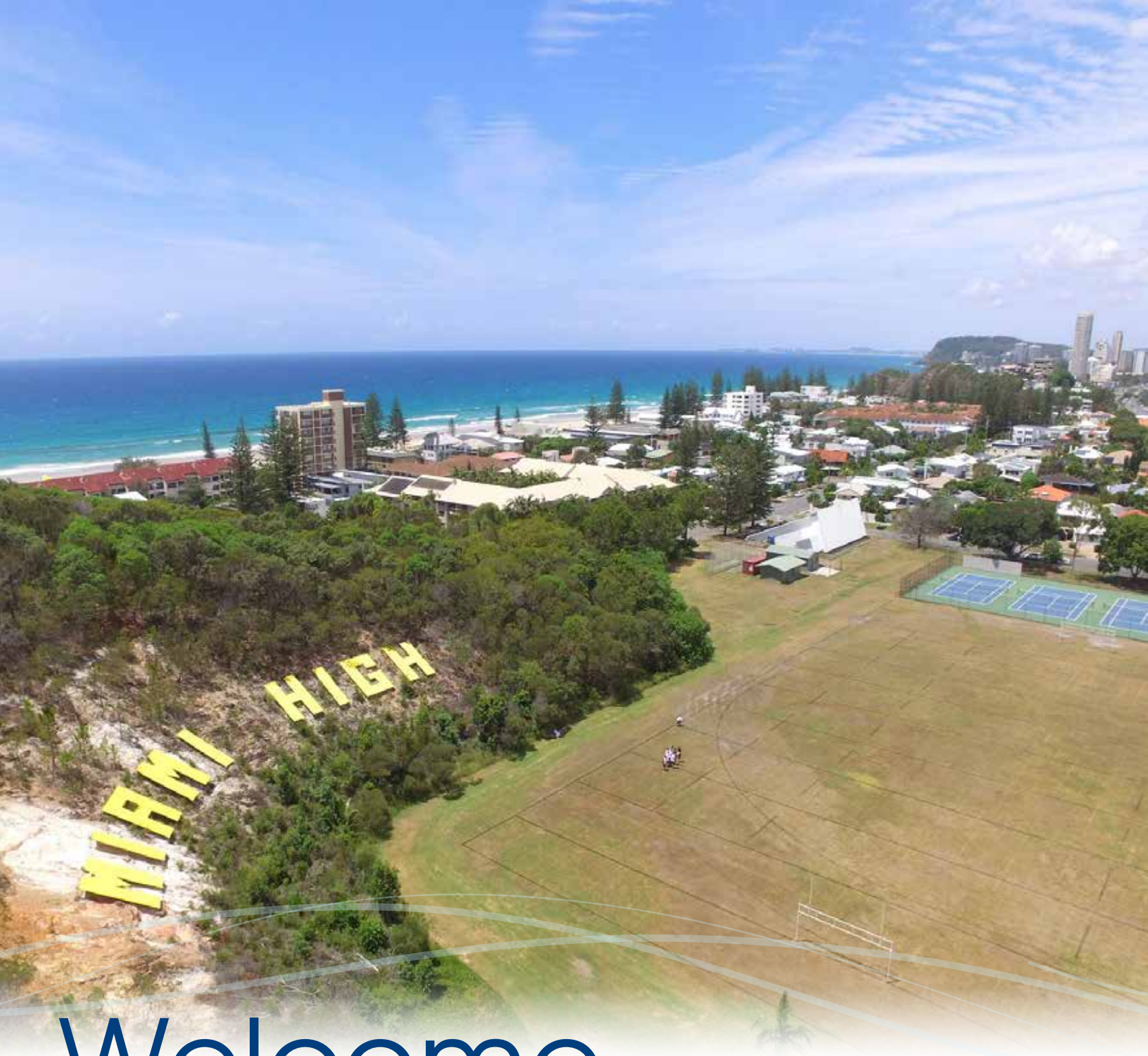
Mission

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engage and empower everyone every day.

Great
Education is
inspired
EDUCATION

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Welcome to Miami State High School

A proud Independent Public School.

Miami State High School is a quality public high school on the Gold Coast with a rich history, strong community spirit and progressive mindset.

Miami's independent public status is a testament to its excellent academic results sustained over a period of time, coupled with recognition of the unlimited potential in its future. This status has enabled autonomy locally to innovate and tailor curriculum and programs to suit the diverse needs of our students in this expanding and world renowned city.

Quality teaching is our core priority. Teachers influence the lives of students daily. Miami State High School has caring, committed and futures oriented teachers who vigilantly focus on providing rich and engaging learning experiences to every student. They understand the importance of delivering research based teaching practices proven to have high impact on student learning outcomes, without compromising their own personal teaching flair that makes them successful themselves. Our teachers connect with and safely challenge students daily to reach their full academic potential, never forgetting the importance of educating also on our core values of Respect, Connect and Inspire.

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Curriculum



Curriculum Overview

Miami State High School is a co-educational independent public school that ensures the development of our students from year 7-12. We have a rich history, strong community spirit and progressive mindset that is reflected in a strong culture of academic performance, the performing arts, sport and extra-curricular activities that caters for all students. Additionally, we further personalise learning through our Supportive Education Program.

Our curriculum is diverse and targets the needs of 21st century learners on the world stage. Our mission is to generate innovative opportunities to excite, engage and empower, everyone everyday. Our ambition is to grow creative, lateral thinkers who will grow to be the leaders of tomorrow.

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Junior Secondary



Years 7, 8 and 9

Our Junior School supports students in their transition to high school and teaches individuals to embrace learning and opportunity. We have many support mechanisms in place to ensure all students feel comfortable in their junior years of school. These include various health and wellbeing programs that operate alongside passionate staff and teachers who track and act on academic, social and emotional progress.

The Junior curriculum consists of a core program for Years 7, 8 and 9. By the end of grade 9, students will have studied a balanced program covering all of the key areas of the Australian Curriculum and a number elective subjects specific to their areas of interest.

The Junior school curriculum is characterised by a rigorous and well-linked program that encourages students to study the basics through specialised programs such as Focused Literacy and Numeracy (FLN). The Junior curriculum is designed to deepen knowledge, enable inquiry, innovation and creativity. Students become reflective thinkers and confident effective communicators.

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Senior Secondary

Years 10, 11 and 12

In Senior Secondary we focus on preparing students for their unique pathways to successfully transition to university, work, or further training. Our inspirational teachers work collaboratively with students to form strong relationships that ensure they achieve to their potential. Additionally, students can connect with real world practices through work experience, traineeships, apprenticeships and University pathway opportunities to ensure they are successful post school. The high expectation culture at Miami underpins mutual teacher and student respect to ensure confident and productive students learning through a team effort.

Senior Secondary Philosophy:

Every year 12 student at Miami State High School will exit with at least one of the following:

- Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)
- A viable OP
- A viable RANK Score
- Certificate III in a Vocational Education and Training qualification or higher



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High Expectations and Performance Culture



The greatest influence on learning is the expectations of the students and the teachers. A classroom with high expectations and a strong culture for learning is characterised by high cognitive energy. At Miami State High School there are high expectations for all students in every classroom and both teachers and students value learning and hard work.

Students at Miami State High School must commit to these expectations by:

- Arriving on time
- Attending school every day
- Wearing their uniform with pride
- Showing respect for people and the environment
- Being prepared for every lesson
- Actively participating in all lessons
- Completing all work in a timely manner
- Asking questions and seeking feedback
- Reflecting on their learning
- Reaching their potential
- Embracing challenge
- Working as a team member

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Excellence Programs



Miami State High School provides students with an opportunity to develop and extend their learning, in specific areas of interest, through enrolment in an Excellence Program. These Excellence Programs are select entry and are offered to both current and prospective students who excel in the following areas.

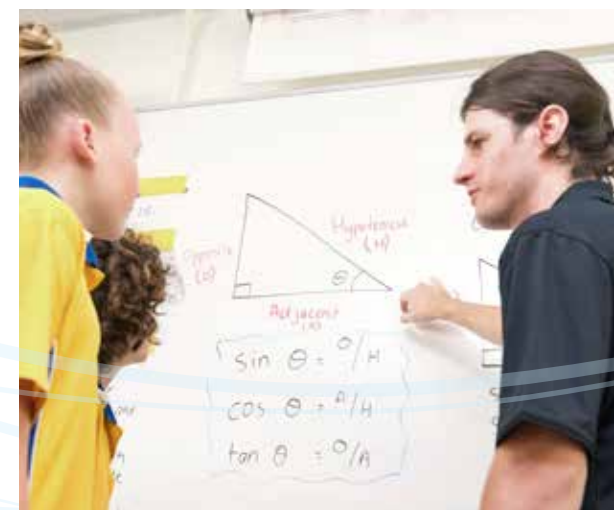
Academic

The **Stellar Academic Excellence** program is designed to challenge and extend students through rigorous and authentic learning opportunities. Stellar is focused on catering for the individual needs of academically talented students while also promoting the importance of leadership, teamwork, problem solving and self-confidence. Tailored initiatives and community partnerships assist students in making links between their individual learning goals and exciting career pathways.



Cultural

Both the **Contemporary Instrumental Music Excellence** and the **Dance Excellence** programs cater for students who excel in the area of performing arts. These programs specialise in developing both the technical and theoretical components through specialised training, intensive mentoring and unique opportunities led by industry professionals. Students are given opportunities to perform throughout the year both at school events and in the wider school community.



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Sporting

The **Athlete**, **Touch Football**, **Tennis**, **Girls Rugby 7's** and **Surfing Excellence** programs cater for high achieving athletes in reaching their individual sporting goals. Students are mentored, coached and tracked through a challenging program which focuses on developing all aspects of the 'student athlete'. Accredited coaches, guest presenters and accomplished athletes are key contributors to all programs.

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Student Leadership



Miami State High School wishes to generate innovative leadership opportunities to excite, engage and empower all students. We wish to promote a student led model of leadership, which encourages equity and fairness for all students and ensures a safe and supportive environment. This will empower students in school decision making processes through involvement in school life, enabling a greater sense of belonging and connectedness.

Our school provides a range of leadership opportunities, including:

- School Captains and Vice Captains
- President of the Student Council
- Vice President of the Student Council
- House Captains
- Band Captains
- International Ambassadors
- Indigenous Ambassadors
- Year Level Representatives
- Mentors

Our executive student leadership team in year 12 obtain intensive leadership mentoring and engage in a leadership trip of a lifetime.

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Testimonials

“ Starting High School at Miami High was easy, with supportive teachers and friendly students. Miami High also has a range of different subjects, so everyone can find something they love,”

- *Matthew Maher (Junior Student)*

“ The teachers at Miami High are passionate and encourage students to succeed – both in class and beyond the school gates. There is always something exciting happening at Miami High and you can't help but feel excited to learn and inspired to reach your full potential,”

- *Divisha Tirumalasetti (Senior Leader)*

“ Miami State High School is, to say the least, an incredible school- one which has provided me with so many life-changing opportunities for which I am forever grateful for. From my first day at Miami, I was amazed by how dedicated and supportive my teachers were and how invested they all were in assisting me to achieve my full potential. It is truly a school which cares about YOU as an individual... the person I am today and my current success is largely because of my time spent at Miami,” - *Zuzana Harmaniakova (Former Miami High student and current Law & International Relations student at Bond University)*

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