



PROSPECTUS

ROCHEDALE

STATE HIGH SCHOOL

*Performers for every stage,
expressing talents in every field*





WHY ROCHEDALE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Join us in shaping confident, capable, and compassionate leaders of tomorrow. Families choose Rochedale State High School for its commitment to holistic education and diverse signature programs.

Our STEM program fosters innovation and critical thinking, preparing students for the future. The Signature Programs, RAS and APEX offer enriched learning opportunities, tailored to individual strengths. With a strong focus on student well-being and inclusive community, Rochedale State High School

ensures every child receives personalised support for academic and personal growth. Our wide range of pathways and unique facilities including our Trade Training Centre, Agricultural Farm and Sports Centre provide students with extremely unique offerings.

Our Vision

Performers for every stage expressing talents in every field.

Our Mission

Deliver high quality teaching that is underpinned by a deep and unrelenting belief that all students can learn, improve, reach their potential and be successful.

School Motto

Integrity and Achievement

Our Values

Growth Grit Gratitude

MASCOT

Rhino



WELCOME MESSAGE



Elena Itsikson
Principal



It gives me great pleasure to write the opening comments for our Prospectus. Although our school is quite close to Brisbane's CBD, until recently it has remained isolated as a semi-rural pocket. Rochedale State High School is now growing quickly. The historical isolation has contributed uniquely to the nurturing and development of a very strong sense of community. This quality is appealing and families are attracted to it.

Any visitor to the school will comment on the school's purposeful tone, respectful relationships, well behaved students and a synergy where all stakeholders are working towards a common goal. Standards are high. Academic excellence is embraced. We promote the school vision of preparing our students to "Perform for Every Stage". Whether it be academic, vocational education, the arts, agriculture or acclaimed sporting achievements, there are diverse options for students to ensure their future pathway has a solid foundation. Enjoy learning about our school.

"Destiny is not a matter of chance; it is a matter of choice"



GRIT GROWTH GRATITUDE



THE RHINO WAY

RATIONALE:

ROCHEDALE'S MISSION IS TO

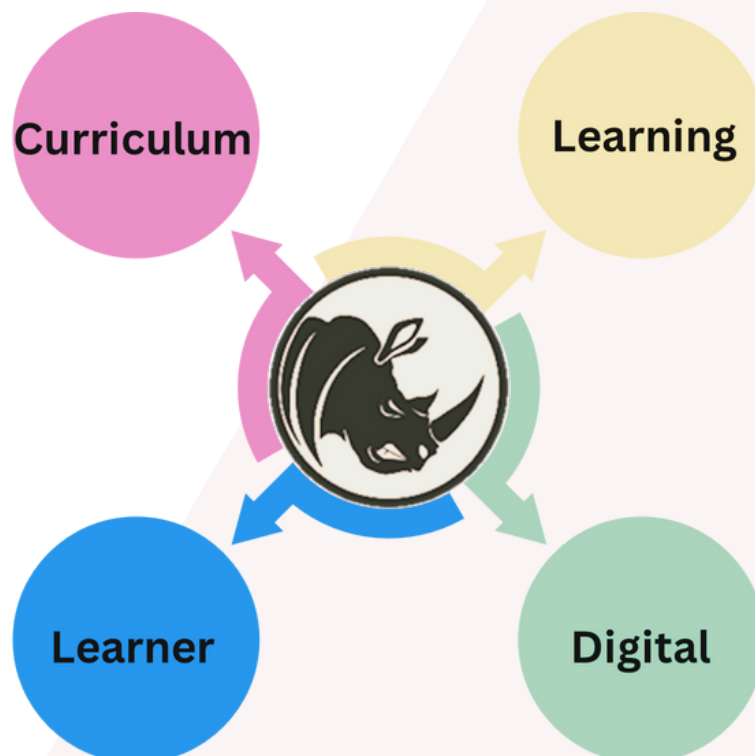
"DELIVER HIGH QUALITY TEACHING THAT IS UNDERPINNED BY A DEEP AND UNRELENTING BELIEF THAT ALL STUDENTS CAN LEARN, IMPROVE, REACH THEIR POTENTIAL, AND BE SUCCESSFUL."

THIS IS THE **RHINO WAY**.



IN A CULTURE PERMEATED WITH THE VALUES OF GRIT, GROWTH AND GRATITUDE, THE RHINO WAY INCORPORATES 4 PRINCIPLES OF PEDAGOGY - CURRICULUM, LEARNING, LEARNER AND DIGITAL

OUR 4 PRINCIPLES OF PEDAGOGY ARE:



Curriculum Offerings

Year 7

Core Subjects

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Humanities
- Health and Physical Education
- STEM
- Chinese

Elective Subjects

- The Arts:
 - Performance: Dance/Drama
 - Media Arts
 - Music
 - Visual Art
- Agriculture
- Digital Technologies
- Food Technology
- Design & Technology

Other

- Individual Development Programs (IDP)
- Sport
- Excellence Programs
 - APEX: Arts Excellence Program
 - RAS: Rochedale Academy of Sport
 - STEM: Science Technology Engineering & Maths
 - Extension English Extension HASS

Year 8

Core Subjects

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Humanities
- Health and Physical Education
- STEM
- Chinese

Elective Subjects

- The Arts:
 - Performance: Dance/Drama
 - Media Arts
 - Music
 - Visual Art
- Digital Technologies
- Design & Technology
- Agriculture
- Food Technologies

Other

- Individual Development Programs (IDP)
- Sport
- Excellence Programs
 - APEX: Arts Excellence Program
 - RAS: Rochedale Academy of Sport
 - STEM: Science Technology Engineering & Maths
 - Extension English

Curriculum Offerings

Year 9

Core Subjects

- English
- Maths
- Science
- Humanities
- Health and Physical Education

Elective Subjects

- Agricultural Practices
- APEX/Dance/Drama
- Chinese
- Design & Technology
- Digital Technologies
- Economics and Business
- Film and Media Technologies
- Food Specialisations
- Metal Trade Skills
- Music
- Science Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM)
- Textile Studies
- Timber Trade Skills
- Visual Arts

Other

- Individual Development Programs (IDP)
- Sport
- Excellence Programs
 - APEX: Arts Excellence Program
 - RAS: Rochedale Academy of Sport
 - STEM: Science Technology Engineering & Maths

Year 10

Core Subjects

- English / EALD
- Mathematics
- Science

Elective Subjects

- Agricultural Practices
- Applied Business Studies
- Applied Humanities
- Business and Accounting Studies
- Chinese
- Dance
- Dance in Practice
- Design Pathways
- Digital Technologies
- Drama
- Drama in Practice
- Early Childhood Studies
- Economics and Legal Studies
- Film and Media Technologies
- Geography
- Health and Physical Education
- History
- Hospitality
- Metal Trade Pathways
- Music
- Music in Practice
- Sport and Recreation
- Technology and Automotive Pathways
- Timber Trade Pathways
- Visual Art
- Visual Arts in Practice

Other

- Individual Development Programs (IDP)
- Sport

Curriculum Offerings

Year 11 and 12

Core Subjects

- English / EALD
- Essential English
- Essential Mathematics
- General Mathematics
- Mathematical Methods
- Specialist Mathematics

Elective Subjects

- Accounting
- Agricultural Practices
- Ancient History
- Aquatic Practices
- Biology
- Business
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Chinese
- Dance
- Dance in Practice
- Design
- Drama
- Drama in Practice
- Early Childhood Studies
- Economics
- Film, Television and New Media
- Furnishing Skills
- Geography
- Health
- Industrial Graphics Skills
- Legal Studies
- Media Arts in Practice
- Modern History
- Music
- Music in Practice
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Psychology
- Science in Practice
- Social and Community Studies
- Sport and Recreation
- Tourism
- Visual Art
- Visual Arts in Practice

Other – Vocational Education and Training Certificates

- Certificate I Construction
- Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation
- Certificate II Engineering
- Certificate II in Engineering Pathways
- Certificate II in Health Support Services
- Certificate II in Hospitality
- Certificate III in Business
- Certificate III Fitness
- Certificate III in Information Technology
- Diploma of Business

Other

- Individual Development Programs (IDP)
- Sport

APEX

APEX – Arts Performance Excellence Program

Our vibrant APEX program involves students in art exhibitions, cultural presentations, competitions such as Shake Fest, eisteddfods, musicals, Creative Generation and concerts.

The school offers: Brass, Woodwind, Percussion and Strings in Music. Visual Art, Dance and Drama are also specialisation programs in the school. Rochedale State High School APEX students are recognised for their artistic and academic excellence at local, state and national level.



RAS

RAS – Rochedale Academy of Sport

Rochedale Academy of Sport has development programs in

Volleyball, Touch Football, Basketball and Netball

through which students participate in invitational state, national and international competitions.

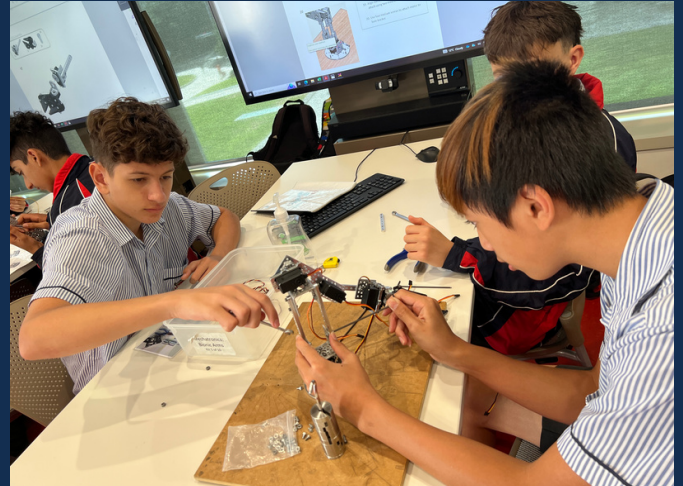
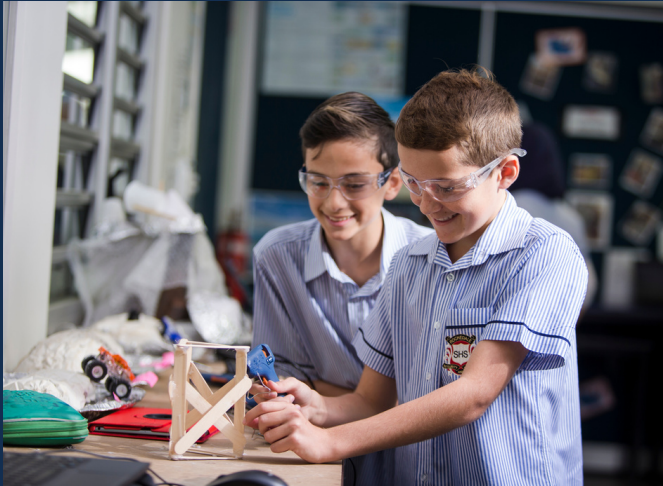
We compete at an interschool level in: Touch Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Futsal, Team Handball, Mod Cross and Cricket (summer). Rugby League, Football Futsal, Australian Football League, Basketball, Ultimate disc, Touch Rugby League, Rugby 7s, Netball and Volleyball (winter).



STEM

STEM - Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

The Rochedale STEM Program is an innovative, challenging and inspiring learning experience for those students who excel, specifically in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). This program will provide pathways for students to access leading universities and make connections with local government and industry partners.



AGRICULTURE - SHOW TEAM

Nestled within our vibrant campus lies our state-of-the-art Farm facilities, providing students with unique opportunities to engage in practical farming experiences. From cultivating crops to caring for livestock, students immerse themselves in the world of agriculture under expert guidance. Join our esteemed Show team and showcase your talents on a regional stage, where dedication and teamwork lead to success. At Rochedale, we cultivate knowledge, nurture passion, and grow future leaders in Agriculture.



ROCHEDALE STATE HIGH SCHOOL
SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

EXTENSION HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

Promotes the pursuit of excellence in Geography and History by equipping students with the skills of creative and critical thinking, collaboration, inquiry and a sense of community. Students, interact with peers who think at the same depth and pace, in a supportive, low-risk, high-challenge learning environment. This program equips students with skills needed for accessing and succeeding at universities across Australia.



EXTENSION ENGLISH

Provides students with an opportunity to strengthen their critical analysis skills and engage with a diverse range of texts. In our ever-increasingly connected world, the ability to communicate effectively and utilise language to engage with a multitude of audiences is an essential skill. Students will develop their higher order thinking skills to critique and evaluate the specific qualities of literary texts.





GRIT GROWTH GRATITUDE



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Student voice fosters a sense of belonging, ownership, and empowerment among students, encouraging them to actively engage in their school experience and contribute to school culture and values of Grit, Growth, Gratitude.

By valuing and raising student voices, we create a culture of mutual respect and shared responsibility. There are many opportunities for students including senior student leadership positions, student council (Years 7-12), sub committees, student conferences, peer mentorship, student camps and various community networks.

Through student-led initiatives, projects, and campaigns, students have the opportunity to address issues that matter to them, effect change, and leave a lasting impact on their school community.

We provide students with the opportunities, tools, resources, and support they need to develop their leadership skills, raise their voices, shape the present and their future.



WELLBEING @ROCHEDALE



At Rochedale State High School, we are committed to the holistic development of our students. We take a whole school approach aiming to create an environment and culture living the school values of Grit Growth, Gratitude. We believe that a focus on well-being is key to nurturing resilient, happy, and successful individuals. The main drivers of student wellbeing is the Individual Development Program, and the Student Support Service Team.

Individual Development Program (IDP)

The Individual Development Program (our pastoral care program) encompasses the social, emotional, and personal development of our students. Through the promotion of wellbeing and positive relationships, our goal is to create a school culture where students feel safe, valued, and empowered to reach their full potential.

Strategically, the delivery of the program provides opportunities for students to build connections, feel a sense of belonging, share their voice, generate student agency and demonstrate leadership in the school and wider community. Enhancing this program, we commenced a partnership with The Resilience Project.

Student Support Services

A Student Support Services team consists of Guidance Officers, Social Worker, Chaplain, School-Based Youth Health Nurse, and Deans' of Students. These staff identify and respond to diverse academic, social, and emotional needs of students and also provide proactive targeted support initiatives and resources.

Together, we can create a positive and supportive school community that nurtures the growth and success of every student. Join us in fostering a culture of Grit, Growth and Gratitude.



ROCHEDALE STATE HIGH SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL

EQI students selecting Queensland have already made the decision to study abroad in the most beautiful setting in Australia. Rochedale State High School offers a unique setting within the city limits close to major amenities. Rochedale State High School boasts a large open picturesque setting with modern facilities including a unique school run farm with poultry, sheep, alpacas and pig.

International students have the opportunity to participate in Rochedale's signature programs. Rochedale SHS is very proud of the achievements of its international students, many who choose to study at an Australian tertiary institution after graduating. Our international students are warmly welcomed by our domestic students and foster positive relationships that greatly assist the students in settling into their new schooling environment.

Rochedale State High School is nestled in a native bushland environment with wildlife often visiting and living on the school grounds. The Koala above is one of our very own residents.



Homestay

Many students studying abroad live with a homestay family. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage with families of different cultural backgrounds and to participate in their homestay's family traditions. Many families within the local community are welcoming of international students into their home.

For more information about homestay and accommodation options please visit:

<https://eqi.com.au/why-queensland/homestay-and-accommodation-options>

International Study Tours:

In addition to hosting long-term international students throughout the year, Rochedale SHS also hosts a number of study tours. This is a unique educational and cultural exchange experience that has many benefits for domestic and visiting students. The ultimate goal is to provide students from around the world with a small taste of what it's like to study in a Queensland Government school. Rochedale SHS students have the opportunity to be a buddy whereby visiting students participate in integration lessons as well as extra-curricular and lunchtime activities.

For more information about Rochedale State School's international program please visit the link to our handbook:

<https://rochedaleshs.eq.edu.au/SupportAndResources/Fo rmsAndDocuments/Documents/International/homestay-handbook.pdf>

eLEARNING

DIGITAL LEARNING

Preparing our Students for Life and Work in the Digital Age

It is an exciting time to be teaching and learning! Technology is changing the way we live and work and that needs to be reflected in the way we approach education. Rochedale SHS harnesses the power of technology to ensure students are engaged with the tools they want to use, are building strong digital literacy skills, and are learning how to become responsible digital citizens. Technology has the power to transform the way students learn - Rochedale SHS is proud to be preparing students for their futures.



Digital Text Books!

QLEARN

Our School-wide Learning Management System

QLearn is Education Queensland's digital learning management system. This digital platform provides students with 24/7 access to all of their essential learning materials and assessment, ensuring a seamless transition between learning at home and at school.



BYOD

Bring Your Own Device

The jobs of tomorrow require students to have strong digital literacy skills - we believe the best way to achieve that is to ensure all students have access to technology in their classes. Every student at Rochedale SHS brings a laptop to class to support their learning. Students use their laptops to engage with a variety of eLearning tools that allow their learning to flourish in a fun and relevant way. We also offer the Access Program for families who need some support in providing a laptop.



Corella

The Queensland Department of Education's generative AI tool





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<https://rochedaleshs.eq.edu.au/enrolments>

