

Catholic co-educational secondary college Diocese of Toowoomba

Annual report 2019

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email	office@sjc.qld.edu.au		Principal	Kort Goodman		
Year levels	7 - 12		Enrolment	845		
Co-educational or single sex				co-educational		
Boarders	no	Outside hours school care	no	Vacation care	no	
Contact person for information about the school and school policies			Kort Goodman			

School introduction

St Joseph's College was founded in 1956 by the Christian Brothers and we are a Catholic co-educational College for young women and men in Years 7-12. Our College is built on the legacy of the Christian Brothers, and we proudly continue to be driven by our commitment to serve others based on the ideals and values of Edmund Rice and the Christian Brothers.

Our College Mission Statement calls us to provide a liberating education that is inspired by Christian principles that permeate all aspects of College life. In this way we provide every avenue for our young women and men to be respectful of the truth, open to reality, community orientated, and willing to strive to grow as individuals making the most of their unique gifts.

We are immensely proud of the opportunities that are afforded to students here at St Joseph's College. With a wide ranging co-curricular cultural and sporting program, excellence in learning and teaching, and faith formation and prayer life, we are able to partner with you in developing young men and women who are prepared for a dynamic world.

The staff of St Joseph's College have a deep passion for ensuring that each student is provided with the opportunity to engage in a quality holistic Catholic education. This passion for providing a holistic education combined with a commitment to the ongoing development of modern educational facilities and the prioritisation of the allocation of resources to improving student outcomes, makes St Joseph's College a great school community of which to be a part.

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Please note: A hardcopy of this annual report is available from the Principal by request.

Characteristics of the student body

St Joseph's College is a Catholic Secondary College with a 49% male student population and 51% female student population.

St Joseph's College values the cultural diversity within the student population and the breakdown is as follows.

- 59% of children are Catholic
- 24% of children are other Christian affiliation
- 1% of children have no religious affiliation
- 16% unknown religion
- 3% Indigenous
- 8% language other than English

School income by funding source

School income reported by the financial year accounting cycle using standardised national methodologies and broken down by funding source is available via the *MySchool* website at www.myschool.edu.au.

Staff

Workforce composition

	Total teaching staff	Total non-teaching staff	Indigenous staff
Headcount	67	40	0
Full-time equivalents	65	35	0

Teacher qualifications

Qualification	% of teaching
Doctoral / Post-Doctoral	4%
Masters	13%
Bachelor Degree	74%
Diploma	10%
Certificate	0%

Student attendance

Student attendance for each year level (expressed as %)

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Average student attendance rate
92%	92%	91%	90%	91%	91%	91%

Description of how non-attendance of students is managed by the school

Attendance is marked electronically at the start of each class including the final session in the attendance Module of Sentral.

Parents are asked provide explanation for all student absences. If absences are unexplained parents are informed of the absence by SMS from the Messaging Module of Sentral. Parents are requested to explain the absence by return SMS or by phoning the school. Extended absences are followed up by college.

National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results

Year 7 test results					
Focus	Our school average	State average	National average	Percentage of students at or above the national benchmark	
Reading	553.0	542.5	546.0	95.5%	
Writing	508.3	502.0	513.2	93.3%	
Spelling	554.2	542.0	545.6	97.1%	
Grammar and Punctuation	552.9	540.1	541.7	94.9%	
Numeracy	550.0	547.2	554.1	94.3%	

Year 9 test results					
Focus	Our school average	State average	National average	Percentage of students at or above the national benchmark	
Reading	580.4	570.3	580.4	94.7%	
Writing	556.9	533.5	548.9	89.8%	
Spelling	583.1	577.3	582.3	95.5%	
Grammar and Punctuation	575.2	570.3	573.2	97.7%	
Numeracy	582.7	584.5	592.0	96.1%	

Year 12 outcomes

85
74
2
39
12
55
0
0
96.5%
91.9%

Year 12 post-school destination

This information is published by 30 September each year.

Parent, staff and student satisfaction

Each year St Joseph's College engages in data gathering from parents, staff and students to assist it in evaluating the effectiveness of its educational program.

Materials provided by Research Australia Development and Innovation Institute (RADII) are used. Part of the RADII process is the collection of data regarding the overall satisfaction of parents, staff and students. Overall satisfaction responses for 2019 are shown below.

Parents

86% of parents satisfied with children's educational progress at the school.

Staff

76% of staff satisfied overall with educational progress of students.

Students

77% of Years 7 - 12 students satisfied with their educational progress at this school.