



Cairns State High School

Year established 1917
Number of students 1450
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Cairns State High School is a comprehensive high school located in the heart of Cairns. The school has an enviable reputation for academic excellence complemented by outstanding achievements in music, performing arts, visual arts and sport. As a learning community, we offer high quality, dynamic and innovative programs that encourage all students to achieve their full potential in a rapidly changing global world. These programs are underpinned by the school's traditional values and lead to a broad range of academic and vocational pathways. Cairns High embraces and acknowledges the cultural diversity of our student body which is drawn from the wider Cairns region and includes students from a range of countries.

Three reasons to choose Cairns State High School

- The school's philosophy and objectives are based on traditional values and the latest innovations
- There is a range of sensitive and responsive student services including English as an Additional Language/Dialect support
- A commitment to developing internationalism across the school.

Special programs

- Centre of Excellence – choral music, dance, drama, technical theatre and visual arts
- VET Qualification Certificates I, II and III
- International Baccalaureate Diploma
- Aerospace studies
- Marine and aquatic studies
- Multimedia studies
- Recreational and tourism studies
- Photo-imaging studies

Extracurricular activities

- Centre of Artistic Design fashion parade
- Dance and drama evenings
- Swimming and athletics carnivals
- Instrumental music and school musicals
- Charity events
- Scuba diving courses (PADI certification)
- Work experience programs
- Central Queensland University Start Uni Now courses

School facilities

- Performing arts centre
- Swimming pool
- Recording studios
- Community hall
- Sports complex
- 150-seat auditorium
- Modern refurbished library
- Laboratories – nine science laboratories, 14 computer laboratories, two multimedia laboratories

Tertiary pathways

- James Cook University
- Tropical North Queensland TAFE – TAFE secondary courses
- Bond University – scholarship

Languages

- Japanese
- Chinese (Mandarin)
- IB Italian
- Italian

