

# Student Life at Clayfield College



CLAYFIELD COLLEGE



Clayfield College is one of Queensland's leading schools, providing a tradition of quality education. Founded in 1931, the College has a proud history of offering a Christian learning environment in which students are encouraged, nurtured and inspired to achieve personal excellence.

Clayfield College welcomes students from all over Australia and the world, catering for girls from Pre-Prep to Year 12 and boys from Pre-Prep to Year 6. The College is also a Boarding School for girls, caring for students from Years 5 - 12.

## Academic Life

Clayfield College is justifiably proud of its academic record and achievements. The College is recognised within the wider community as a school that encourages and inspires students to strive for academic success.

In 2015, 100% of graduating Clayfield students, who applied for tertiary placement, were offered a position, making Clayfield College one of the top academic schools in Queensland.

Our comprehensive academic program provides our students with solid foundations in literacy and numeracy in the early years, culminating in learning experiences that challenge and extend our students in Year 12. To complement this, we strengthen staff learning through ongoing professional development. Our aim is to provide every child with an outstanding teaching and learning environment, by supporting the diversity of our learners with contemporary teaching styles and learning experiences.

The College has a strong academic emphasis where our students are encouraged to set and achieve personal academic goals. Through our extension learning programs, we also offer a broad range of activities that foster essential enquiry skills, such as problem solving, creative thinking, flexibility and curiosity.

Students enjoy a high level of student and teacher interaction, enhanced by small classes and by the College's wide range of co-curricular activities.

An extensive subject range is offered at Clayfield College to challenge and extend students in their academic and personal growth. Students in our Senior years have a timetable of four 80 minute lessons per day. This allows our teachers to utilise a wide range of teaching strategies within each lesson, thus catering for the varied learning styles of the students.

Emphasis is also placed on making each student's education relevant to the real world by providing many unique opportunities to interact with the corporate sector. This has been a major contributor to student success. These opportunities include students networking and being mentored by business leaders and our Alumni, and experiencing extension programs with local universities.





The College is located in the beautiful inner-northern Brisbane suburb of Clayfield, only six and a half kilometres from the central business district and served well by public transport. The Citytrain network is situated close by. The College is centrally located to Brisbane City Council and private bus lines, and is only five kilometres from the Domestic and International airports as well as the Gateway arterial road that links the Gold and Sunshine Coasts.

## Residential Life

Clayfield College has developed a proud tradition of boarding for more than 75 years, enriching the lives of generations of young girls and affording them the opportunity to develop lifelong friendships.

The Clayfield College Boarding House is a stand-alone and fully self-contained facility. Our girls enjoy safe, secure and comfortable surroundings where they can learn, grow and become independent young women.

The Boarding House offers a variety of accommodation options. There are also numerous recreational rooms, quiet spaces, a library and music room, as well as a new spacious dining room that features an outdoor verandah for our girls to utilise.

The Head of Boarding is supported by highly qualified and experienced staff. Clayfield College's boarding supervisors guide and assist each boarder as she settles into her new family. They provide support, encouragement and discipline, as well as guidance, to all boarders as they grow and develop together.

*"Clayfield College was a truly wonderful journey and rewarding experience for me....I feel so blessed for having the opportunity to study here, and for having met many kind-hearted, caring and supportive people."*

Clayfield College Boarder 2015  
Co-Dux 2015, Overseas Student



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Academic programs are an important aspect of boarding life. Girls in Years 5 - 9 study in a dedicated supervised room. Our Years 10 - 12 girls have an individual study desk in their rooms, connected to the College computer network. Specialist tutors are also employed during the week to assist the girls with their study and academic needs.

**We understand, that for most girls, boarding is their first experience of living away from home.**

That's why our unique family concept in the Boarding House has been such a highly successful approach for welcoming new boarders and establishing friendships amongst the girls. It allows new arrivals to adjust to life away from home and provides them with peer support throughout their time at Clayfield College.

It is the sense of community spirit that we provide that enables our boarding girls to settle in quickly and build friendships.

The Boarding House is a fully secured and alarmed complex that is staffed by permanent residential staff and has access to a school nurse and 24 hour medical practitioners.

A Recreation Officer regularly plans educational, cultural and leisure activities for the girls, giving them a taste of life in the big city. We also employ two chefs to provide nutritionally-balanced meals each day. We understand how important a well-balanced and equally delicious diet is for our girls.

At Clayfield College, boarding is a significant part of the school community as our boarders enrich our environment with many different cultural perspectives and talents. Clayfield College's Boarding House is home to many students from rural Queensland, interstate and overseas.

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