

Lake Macquarie High School

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School motto

Omnia Sedulo - All Things Diligently

School Population

Total number of students

512

Average class size

Junior 25, Senior 18



GENERAL SCHOOL INTRODUCTION

Lake Macquarie High School aims to prepare students for the world through challenge and achievement in a committed, caring and creative environment. The school is comprehensive, coeducational and inclusive. Student welfare underpins the school's success with values of tolerance, understanding, responsibility, caring, respect and cooperation being part of the school culture.

The school is small and offers quality and personal educational experiences. The special needs of gifted and talented students are recognised and catered for, as are those students who best learn independently or have learning difficulties.

Our school offers a high-profile creative and performing arts program and is located directly adjacent to the multi-million dollar Lake Macquarie Regional Art Gallery. The school has been recognised for its award-winning community and public art projects. An outstanding feature of the school is our experienced and dedicated teachers who deliver effective pastoral care programs that reinforce positive behaviours.

Our school aims to maximise every student's potential in the academic arena and in the pursuit of life goals, with graduates pursuing a wide variety of career paths and further study.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) PROGRAMS

- Taught by experienced and capable staff

LANGUAGES TAUGHT

- Japanese

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- Gifted and Talented class
- Middle school approach in Year 7
- Extracurricular opportunities in drama, music and art
- A wide range of elective subjects in

Years 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 including digital photography, food technics, electronics, digital music and performance

- Visual arts exhibitions and access to The Lake Macquarie Art Gallery
- Extension courses in HSC subjects
- After-school homework centre
- Debating, choir, band, drama and a music recording studio
- Student Representative Council
- Peer tutoring program
- Vocational Education and Training courses offered in hospitality, retail and business administration

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- Student welfare coordinator
- Full-time careers adviser
- Emphasis on values

SPECIAL FACILITIES

- At Lake Macquarie High School we aim to prepare students for the world through challenge and achievement in a committed, caring and creative environment
- The small size of the school is a feature of its ability to offer quality and personal educational experiences
- The special needs of gifted and talented students are recognised and catered for, as are those students who best learn independently
- This year we will be utilising our new sound recording studio and establishing a music industry course

SPORTS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Sailing, beach fitness, golf, surfing, tennis, lawn bowls, tenpin bowling, ice skating
- Band, choir, private music lessons, debating, leadership program, Odyssey of the Mind

HSC RESULTS AND YEAR 12 UNIVERSITY/TAFE PLACEMENTS

- Our Year 10 students achieved Band 6 results in English, Maths and Science. 25 of our Year 10 students achieved the Highly Competent Level in the computing skills examination.
- One of our Year Twelve students have received an early entry offer into the University of New England.
- Our students gained exceptional results in Music, Art and Drama. Our students also achieved great results in Woodwork, PDHPE, Senior Science, IPT (Computing), Hospitality, Retail and Society and Culture.
- Congratulations to all our Year 12 students from 2008. Two have accepted places in Teaching, one in Communications and at least two are now at the Conservatorium studying Music.
- One third of our students have gone on to further study, either at University or Tafe

FEATURES OF THE LOCAL AREA

- Lake Macquarie High School is situated on the foreshores of Lake Macquarie.
- It is situated at Booragul and has rail and bus transport access.

