



Welcome to Miami State High School – a proud Independent Public School.

As Principal, I value the trust you place in us when enrolling your child.

You can rest assured that your child will be given every opportunity to reach their full potential, wherever their interests and talents lie.

Our passionate and caring team has the knowledge, patience and motivation to mentor students, helping them to become successful, interesting individuals and well-balanced young men and women of character.

We believe no one knows your child better than you and we look forward to working with Miami State High families to ensure we bring out the best in our students.

Our independence gives us the autonomy to tailor our curriculum to suit the needs of our school community. We have the freedom to work with local businesses and community groups to create unique, innovative teaching and learning experiences for all students.

I invite you to ask any of our current students what they love about Miami State High and I am confident they will proudly tell you of the school's support network, and the quality of relationships between students and staff.

Our school's values of Respect, Education, Self-Discipline, People, Environment, Care and Cooperation and Tolerance are observed in the word RESPECT.

Good teachers challenge and inspire. The priceless gift they pass on is a love of learning. Our highly-experienced mentors can guide your child along a path to their brightest future.

We cherish our proud history of academic, artistic, and sporting achievement, and hope to build on our reputation for excellence with your family on-board.

I look forward to working closely with you.

Jim Baker B.App Sc., B.Ed.St., Com.Dec.
Principal





Our thriving school sits in a great location behind Nobby Headland, just a minute to the surf.

We have over 1280 students enrolled across year levels 7 to 12, with 97 teaching staff and 56 non-teaching staff.

Miami State High is rich in tradition and distinguished by many triumphs over the years in academic skill, sporting prowess and the performing arts.

Graduating classes over the past years have consistently achieved above state averages in senior performance results.

The school welcomes international students as part of the ever-growing International Student Program, affording those students and domestic students unique cross-cultural experiences.

The even gender balance in our student enrolment reflects parent and student confidence in the quality of the learning experience at Miami High.

Our school's core value is to provide each and every student with a personal learning journey through secondary school and one that best positions every student for a learning pathway beyond school.

We strongly believe in 'Learning through a Team Effort', our school motto, by working closely with students, parents and the wider school community.

We have

- Fully equipped Resource Centre.
- A six court Tennis Centre.
- Computer graphics facilities equipped with specialised programs for the study of Computer Assisted Drawing (CAD) and 3D design and printing.
- Design and Technology workshops to provide computer-aided design, machinery, wood, metals and plastics fabrication, electronics and pneumatics.
- A professional dance studio with sprung floor.
- A fully equipped digital video studio and green screen to provide Film and Television students the opportunity to learn all stages of non-linear video production.
- Fully equipped horticultural centre.
- Commercial kitchens and dining room to offer senior subjects in hospitality and kitchen operations.
- Sporting facilities including a 25 metre pool, basketball, netball, tennis and volleyball courts as well as fields for rugby league/ union, soccer and touch football.
- Fully equipped gymnasium.
- A Great Hall with assembly style seating.
- Highly specialised education programs for students with disabilities.

- Student Support Service Centre.
- Power boats and marine apparatus for Marine Science and Aquatic Practices.
- A Visual Arts Centre enabling drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, electronic imaging, print making and fibre arts.
- Easy walking distance to the beach for a broad range of outdoor, beach and surf activities.

We offer

A broad range of study options to cater for diverse interests and future learning pathways for all students.

Miami High offers students the opportunity to enrol in "Stellar", an Academic Excellence program as well excellence programs in Dance, Physical Education, Touch Football, Tennis and Instrumental Music across Years 7 to 9.

Year 7 Subjects

Civics and Economics, Digital Technologies, English, Geography, Health and Physical Education, History, Japanese, Mathematics, Science, Spanish, the Arts (Drama, Dance, Media, Music and Visual Arts).

Year 8 Subjects

Civics and Economics, Digital Technologies, English, Geography, Health and Physical Education, History, Japanese, Mathematics, Science, Spanish, the Arts (Drama, Dance, Media, Music and Visual Arts).

Year 9 Subjects

Civics and Economics, Dance, Digital Technologies, English, Geography, Health and Physical Education, History, Japanese, Mathematics, Science, Spanish, the Arts (Drama, Media, Music and Visual Arts). Miami High offers a comprehensive Civics suite of subjects including: Global Blanket, Healthy Lifestyles, Kitchen Gardens, People Power and Taking Care of Business.

Year 10 Subjects

Accounting, Computer Studies, Construction, Dance, Drama, English, Film and Television, Geography, Graphics, Health and Physical Education, History, Home Economics, Industrial Technology and Design, Legal Studies and Business Studies, Mathematics, Media Studies, Music, Outdoor Recreation, Science, Tourism and Visual Art.





Year 11 and 12 Subjects

Authority: Aerospace Studies, Ancient History, Biology, Business Management, Chemistry, Dance, Drama, English, English Extension, Film and Television and New Media, Geography, Information Technology Systems, Japanese, Legal Studies, Marine Science, Mathematics A, B, C, Modern History, Physical Education, Physics, Visual Art.

Non-Authority: Agricultural Practices, Business Studies, English Communication, Fashion Studies, Industrial Technology Studies, Marine and Aquatic Practices, Media Studies, Multi Media Studies, Music, Prevocational Mathematics, Social and Community Studies, Tourism, Visual Art Studies.

Certificate Courses: Certificate I in Construction, Certificate II Outdoor Recreation, Certificate III Children's Services, Certificate III Fitness, Certificate III Health Services and Diploma of Business. The Special Education Program (SEP) provides an individualised learning program for students of all ability levels. SEP offers specialist classes alligned to the key learning areas and practical classes targeting life-skills.

The SEP offers Senior Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA) classes, providing an alternate senior pathway for students requiring individual programs that link with a post school transition for life beyond school.

Our philosophy, structure and practices help students in their transition from primary school to secondary school to tertiary study and vocational pathways.

A team approach ensures that each student is well known to a core group of teachers and mentors.

Learning at Miami High is challenging, engaging and connected to the real world. Students work in teams as well as independently, developing higher order thinking and problem solving skills to further develop their reasoning and thinking abilities.

Technology

Miami is a connected school that prides itself in the use of technological devices in the classroom to enhance learning. The school's curriculum incorporates the use of technology and contributes to the philosophy of every student being a 21st century learner.

Students are encouraged to 'Bring Your Own Device' (BYOD) provided the device meets recommended requirements for Junior and Senior Secondary studies. These requirements are outlined in the BYOD Handbook on the school's website.

Specialisation Programs

Excellence programs and extension classes are offered across Year 7 to Year 12 to cater for the needs of students who wish to be further challenged in their studies. Entry to some of these programs is dependent on meeting criteria outlined on the school website.

Miami High is a 'Gateway School' to the aviation industry by offering Aerospace Studies in Years 11 and 12 in partnership with the Gold Coast Airport Limited. We are the only school on the Gold Coast that offers students this opportunity.

Tertiary Links

The opportunity to combine University, TAFE and private provider studies whilst a senior student at Miami, exists through a range of partnership programs and flexible timetabling to suit individual needs. Partnership programs allow students to commence university studies through Griffith, Southern Cross and Bond Universities and the Queensland University of Technology during Year 12.

Direct Entry programs through
Griffith University, University
of Technology, University of
Queensland and Southern Cross
University allows students the opportunity to gain
offers of placement prior to Year 12 graduation.

The school also offers a comprehensive range of Vocational Education and Training (VET) learning pathways in partnership with Registered Training Organisations (RTO) and TAFE. Students are also given the individual assistance within VET to undertake traineeships/apprenticeships and industry placement.

Miami State High School's Career Centre provides students with opportunities to research and pursue their desired career pathway. Students have access to current vocational and career resources such as career software and career mentoring. Students can also undertake a range of vocational courses ranging from certificate to diploma level.

School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships

Students have the ability to start their future career while completing their senior schooling through the School-based Apprenticeship and Traineeship (SAT) program. Various qualifications and jobs are available ranging from administration, construction, IT, hospitality and demand industries. Participation in the SAT program offers students early work experience and tertiary training in a supportive environment helping them to balance school commitments with work and training opportunities.



a broad range of interschool sporting opportunities during Semester 1 of each school year. The school currently competes in the Greater Independent Public Schools Alliance (GIPSA) against other Independent Public Schools.

Sports currently played are: AFL, Basketball, Bodyboarding, Cricket, Netball, Rugby League, Soccer. Special Education Program Sport, Surfing, Table Tennis, Ten Pin Bowling, Tennis, Touch Football and Volleyball.

Extra-curricular Activities

In addition, students are able to participate in extracurricular activities throughout the school year. Activities include: Beach Activities, Gym, Learn to Surf, MasterChef, Music/Sound/Lighting, Photography, Rugby 7s, Rugby League 'Titans Cup', Special Education Program Activities, Swim Fitness, Touch Football, Yoga and High Performance Programs in Basketball, Netball, Surfing and Volleyball.

International Student Program

Miami State High School is an accredited Education Queensland International (EQI) destination school for international students. The program offers students from around the globe the unique opportunity to experience life and study abroad, establishing global friendships and networks.

here at Miami High for

12 months. The 12 months were probably the fastest in my life but also the most amazing. Miami High is a really good school for international students because teachers and students are always helpful and sometimes we did specific activities for internationals students. One of the reasons I chose Miami High was because of the surf program. Every Tuesday after school we went surfing and it was always a big challenge to stand on the board but every week we got better. Thank you for the great time at Miami High".

Luisa Eichmann - German International Student

Student Welfare

Our school provides a strong pastoral care program to support students. Personnel involved include:

- Guidance Officer
- Head of Department Student Welfare
- Deans of Students
- Positive Behaviour Coach
- Student Wellbeing Coordinator
- Chaplain
- Youth Support Coordinator
- **Industry Liaison Officer**
- Indigenous Support Officer
- School Nurse
- Special Education teachers
- Learning Support teachers

