



PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE BLACKTOWN



PROSPECTUS

WELCOME TO
PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE



Innovation





Excellence



Principal's Message





Patrician Brothers' College is a Years 7-12 Catholic boys school under the care of Catholic Education, Diocese of Parramatta. Students are encouraged and nurtured to strive for personal excellence in the vast educational offerings of the College.

Patrician Brothers' College is first and foremost a Catholic school in the Patrician tradition. It was established in 1952 and was founded on the rich traditions of the Patrician Brothers. We actively practice our faith which is demonstrated by our care of one another, the way we learn and through our Service Learning Program. As a school that values community, we collaborate in partnership with parents and carers.

Our learning community is adaptive, flexible, inclusive and future focused in order to meet the changing needs of our students. In meeting a contemporary education, course

offerings reflect the needs and interests of our learners. This will provide our students with the skills and knowledge which they will require for today and tomorrow.

A holistic education is important. Alongside the curricular sphere, our students participate in many extra-curricular opportunities offered by the College. These include various Representative Sports, Debating, Public Speaking, Internal Sports and Activity Clubs among others.

Thank you for your interest in Patrician Brothers' College, Blacktown. I look forward to welcoming you.

Frank Chiment
PRINCIPAL LEADER

Placing students at the centre





Learning





At Patrician Brothers' College, we offer personalised learning that recognises the particular needs of boys and young men in the pursuit of individual excellence.

We offer a well-rounded curriculum for junior students (Years 7 and 8) that includes Religious Education, English, Mathematics, Science, History, Geography, Music, Visual Arts, Technology & Applied Sciences, Food Technology, a choice of either French or Italian and Personal Development Health and Physical Education.

In addition to completing the core subjects, students in Years 9 and 10 have a wide range of academic, technical, creative and artistic electives.

Students in Years 11 and 12 have a broad selection of academic subjects and vocational educational courses (VET). There is also an opportunity to complete subjects from mainstream TAFE courses as part of HSC studies.

Our curriculum supports the integrated use of the latest multimedia technology to enhance learning. Students participate in a BYOD Program. The College has a comprehensive wireless network and all staff use the latest technology as part of teaching and learning.

The College also provides specialist programs for gifted and talented students as well as those with specific learning needs. Our Diverse Learning Team works closely with teaching staff to ensure programs of study for each subject meet the needs of the learner.

Our teaching staff regularly undertake professional learning to assist in developing innovative teaching practices and improve learning outcomes for all students.

Talent meets opportunity





Co-curricular Activities





Our students have a range of opportunities to develop their individual talents and leadership skills by participation in diverse co-curricular activities including:

Dance and Drama

Our students compete in a number of competitions and major events.

Debating and Public Speaking

Students develop skills to communicate confidently in public. Patrician Brothers' College is involved at district and state level competitions.

Chess

The Chess Club is very popular and has received statewide recognition in tournaments.

Music

Students can choose to study classical or modern music and have the opportunity to record and mix their own music. The College provides many musical performance opportunities to showcase student talents.

Outdoor Education

Our outdoor education program provides opportunities for students to deepen their spirituality and self-esteem as well as develop team-building and leadership skills.

Overseas Trips

Our students are given the opportunity to travel on a number of overseas programs. Recent trips have been to Italy, France, Ireland and England.

Visual Arts

Our students excel in various art traditions. Student works are regularly included in the prestigious HSC Art Express Exhibition.

Other activities offered include Mock Trial and the Tournament of the Minds.

Enabling tomorrow's leaders





Sport





Patrician Brothers' College has a proud tradition of sporting excellence. Students have opportunities to compete in individual and team sports including rugby league, swimming, basketball, soccer, cricket, rugby union, touch football, AFL, baseball, athletics, cross country, golf and tennis.

Our teams are recognised for their discipline, skill and sportsmanship. We strive to provide all students with the opportunity to participate and excel in a comprehensive sports program.

All Year 7 students undertake swimming instruction and in Year 9, students gain their Resuscitation and Bronze Medallion Certificates.

Our graduates include Olympic medalists, NRL rugby league players, international soccer players and NSW and Australian champions in various sports.

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Growing in faith





Leadership





Leadership at Patrician Brothers' College is modelled on developing collaborative and responsible involvement of students.

Students have opportunities to develop their confidence and skills in becoming leaders among their peers and College community.

A Student Representative Council chaired by the College student leaders provides students with a forum to prepare and plan activities. Our student leaders develop focus areas and action plans for the school.

Student leaders facilitate support for various community organisations including St Vincent de Paul, Caritas, Vinnies Winter and Christmas Appeals and the Patrician Missions in Africa and Papua New Guinea.

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Combining physical and virtual environments





Religious Education and Pastoral Care





Religious Education is the essence of our school community and students are encouraged to develop a deep understanding of their Catholic faith. Our Religious Education curriculum is integrated into daily life to assist students in developing a framework for life decisions.

Our pastoral care programs and activities are designed to encourage positive relationships based on the Gospel values of faith, forgiveness, justice, respect, tolerance and trust. Programs and activities include peer support, social dances, discos, camps, retreats, reflection days and outdoor education.

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Shaped by our past creating our future





Facilities and Resources





Our versatile and modern facilities have been designed to meet the needs of our learners and include:

- well-resourced and fully air-conditioned learning spaces and state-of-the-art resource centre
- brand new facilities for Creative Arts, Technology, Hospitality and Food Technology
- Patrician Learning Centre
- multipurpose auditorium
- student cafe
- private music tuition rooms
- three large sporting ovals
- four tennis courts
- indoor basketball court
- two outdoor basketball courts

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Our History





Patrician Brothers' College was founded in 1952 to serve the semi-rural communities of Blacktown and surrounding districts. The pioneering Patrician Brothers and local priests have endowed us with a seven hectare site adjacent to the Blacktown CBD.

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