




La Salle College **Prospectus**

Deo Duce. With God as leader.

A white statue of St. John Baptist de La Salle, a French Catholic priest and educator, is the central focus. He is depicted standing, wearing a long white robe with a sash, and holding a young child in his left arm. His right hand is extended in a gesture of blessing or teaching. The statue is set against a large, dense evergreen tree with green and yellowing foliage. To the right, a portion of a red brick wall is visible. The sky is blue with some clouds.

“To touch the hearts of the young and to inspire them with the Christian spirit is the greatest miracle you can perform, and it is the one that God asks of you; it is the purpose of your work with the young.”

**St John Baptist de La Salle,
Patron Saint of Teachers**



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Acknowledgement of Country

La Salle College is honoured to be situated on the ancestral lands of the Whadjuk Noongar people. We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.

Our history

La Salle College was founded by the Lasallian Order in 1954, but our legacy in the Swan Valley dates back to the community of the local Midland parishes in the early 1900s.

Upon this rich history, we are continually evolving as a modern co-educational secondary Catholic education institution catering for the educational, spiritual and pastoral care needs of 1400 students, including students from remote Western Australia. We proudly maintain our Catholic identity while embracing our forward-thinking and innovative approach to education.



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A rich history and legacy

Our faith and Lasallian principles

Faith | Excellence | Service

We are a school of excellence guided by our Lasallian principles and Christian values, we celebrate our students' individual needs and interests, empowering them to discover their unique potential.

Through our programs, teachings, behaviours and actions, we encourage our College community to discover more about the Catholic faith and inspire them to realise their best self and live not by their fears but by their hopes, not by their words but by their deeds.

As a College, we've been given the gift of nurturing the young minds and hearts of our students and helping them realise their value, individuality, and the positive impact they can have on the lives of others.





Our mission

La Salle College is a Catholic co-education secondary school of excellence. At La Salle College we:

- Create and nurture life-long learners who are Christ-centred, resilient and innovative contributors to the ever-changing world
- Inspire students, staff and our wider community to live in a manner that reflects the values and spirit of our Catholic faith
- Empower students to become positive voices of leadership that lift those around them
- Inspire students, families, staff and the wider community to be present and connected through a culture of continuous improvement
- Value the safety, wellbeing and ongoing development of its students, staff and community.



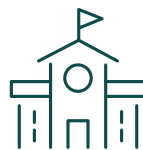
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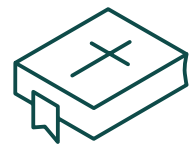
Modern secondary
co-educational
Catholic school



Contemporary
learning
environment



State of the
art facilities



A culture of
Faith, Excellence
and Service



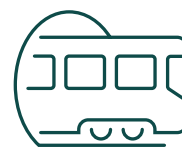
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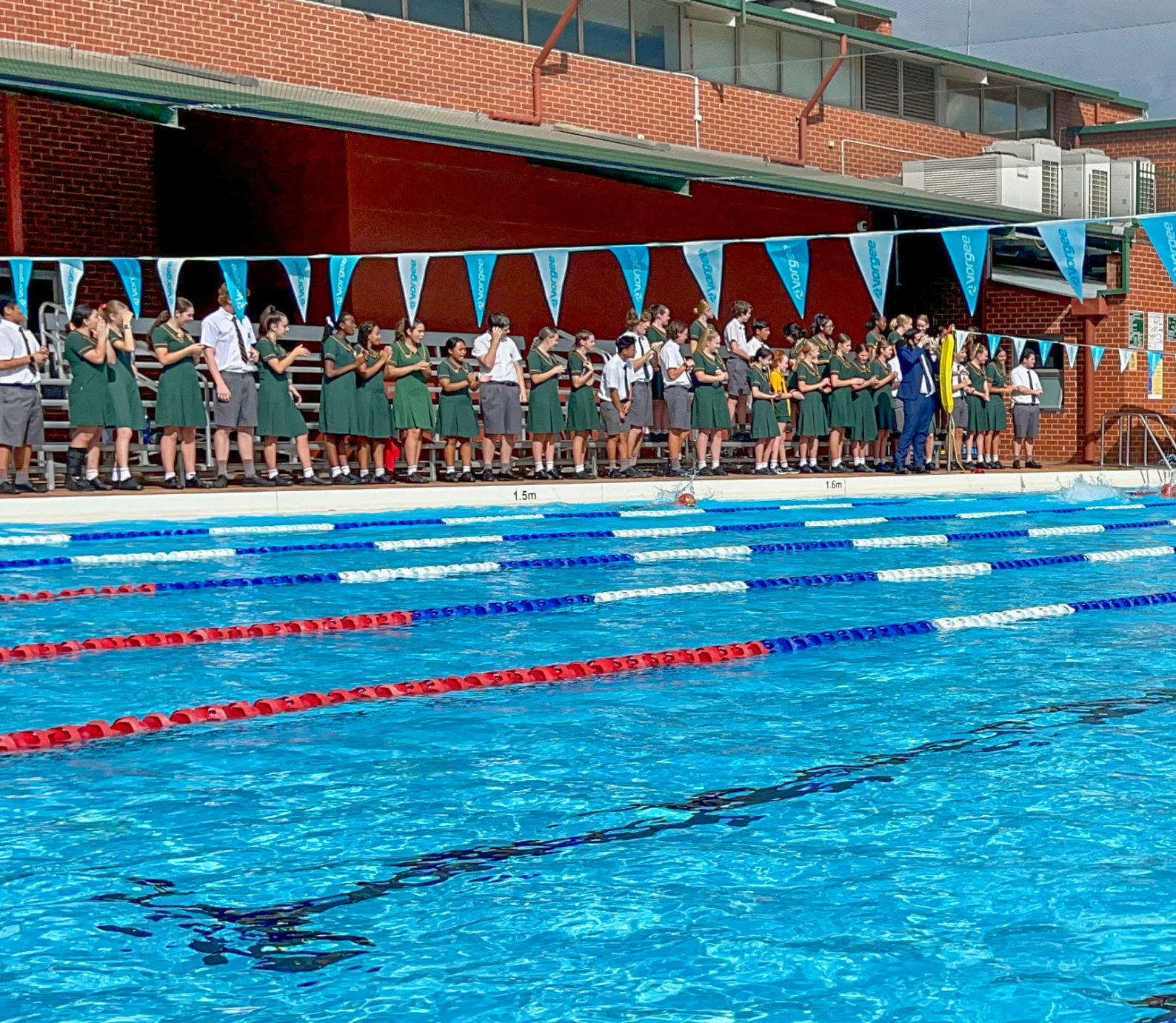
Diverse
career
pathways



A multitude of
extracurricular
activities



Easily accessible
by public transport



Our facilities

Our wonderful facilities and generous outdoor spaces provide an innovative and modern learning environment that inspires our students to explore their potential both within and beyond the classroom.

Our campus is situated in the beautiful Swan Valley region and is easily accessible by public transport. We are proud of our large natural spaces, state of the art buildings and modern learning spaces.





10-lane Aquatic Centre

Br Fitzhardinge Trade Skills Centre

Comprising state of the art facilities in the form of three workshops and multiple classrooms, the Br Fitzhardinge Trade Skills Centre offers students the opportunity to develop practical trade skills through our extensive range of Technologies courses.

St John Baptist de La Salle Chapel

Our onsite Chapel provides opportunities for our College community to come together in prayers and worship. Along with the Chapel, the adjacent Memorial Garden offers a quiet place of reflection.

Aquatic Centre

Our 10-lane swimming pool provides opportunities for swimming-based sport and recreation during regular Health and Physical Education classes and a range of extracurricular and community activities.

State of the art workshops and classrooms



Br Eric Pigott Performing Arts Centre

- Performing Arts Centre
- Dance studio
- Multiple instrument tutoring rooms

Fr Laurence Murphy SDS Senior Learning Centre

Our Senior Learning Centre is a modern learning environment with kitchen facilities, Year 12 student lounge area and Michael Ciccarelli Lecture Theatre.

Patricia Rodrigues Centre

- Olympic size double court multi-purpose gymnasium
- Weights room
- Indoor climbing wall
- Modern classrooms

Jan Jolley iCentre

Our learning and teaching systems are enhanced by our Jan Jolley iCentre.

More than a library, the iCentre provides both students and teachers with extensive access to quality on-site and online resources. From monitors and meeting rooms, to books, magazines and online streaming subscriptions, the space and facilities of the iCentre equips students with tools to continuously explore their full potential.

Outdoor spaces

The College has generous outdoor open spaces to facilitate our extensive Health and Physical Education program and inter-school sport activities.

A front oval with football goals, cricket nets and cricket pitch and a back oval with soccer goals and multi-purpose courts (basketball, netball and tennis). Hosts a range of sports including soccer, AFL, ultimate frisbee, cricket and touch rugby.



St Joseph Education Support Centre

Our St Joseph Education Support Centre is one of the largest in Western Australia. Café de La Salle runs once a week. The Centre also features rooms to support tailored learning.

St Francis of Assisi Science Centre

Two storey complex, consisting of seven laboratories and general learning areas.

Br Columban Home Economics Centre

Consists of several classrooms comprising of industry standard equipment that supports developing students' workplace readiness.

MacKillop Art Centre

Provides students an opportunity to express their creativity in a visual form.

Dulcie Hollow Canteen

The College Canteen is operational five days a week.

Aboriginal Education Centre

An area providing classroom, information and communication technology (ICT) and cultural support for students.



Nicolas Barre Auditorium

270-seat Auditorium to support our dance, music, drama and circus programs as well as showcasing our College Production and Music Nights.

The Auditorium also features an orchestra pit under the stage and wardrobe department.



A photograph of two students in school uniforms sitting outdoors. The student in the foreground is a young man with dark hair, wearing a green blazer, a white shirt, and a striped tie. He is smiling and looking towards the other student. The second student, a young woman with blonde hair in a ponytail, is seen from the back/side, also wearing a green blazer. They are sitting on a low brick wall. The background shows a building with a green roof and some foliage.

*Transforming tomorrow's
hearts, minds, lives*

Our Vision for Learning

Our Vision for Learning is centred on Transforming tomorrow's hearts, minds, lives. It is underpinned by four key pedagogical principles - Engagement, Flexibility, Connection and Courage.

Our families, together with our staff and the wider community play an important role in providing our students with support, encouragement, motivation and guidance.



Engagement

Engagement is investment and participation in experiences that enable new understanding, knowledge, skill and connection with the world.



Flexibility

Flexibility is a willingness to be adaptable and open to exploring new possibilities.



Connection

Connection is the building of a relationship founded upon the trust, mutual respect and genuine care where people feel seen and valued.



Courage

Courage is the strength to venture, persevere and to be brave in the face of fear or difficulty.

Our pastoral care



A Lasallian school is more than just a curriculum, it's a united community connected in values, in spirit and a common experience. From your initial interaction with our College, we aspire to make you feel welcomed and valued as part of our community.

A sense of belonging

Our Year 7 transition program, which includes orientation, offers students the support and foundation to have a positive high school transition and college experience.

Our College House systems create opportunities for students to participate in activities and connect with students across all year groups, often taking part in team building and sporting activities together at carnivals and school events.

Pastoral Care Groups

Our Pastoral Care Groups (PCGs) come together briefly each morning to receive news and updates. These groups are particularly important in Year 7, to create safe and reliable environments within which students can develop friendships and receive support from staff and peers.



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A focus on wellbeing

We create and foster an inclusive, safe and supportive learning environment that enables students to flourish. As a College, we nurture the development of our students' spiritual, physical and mental wellbeing.

Our College Wellbeing Program aims to develop each student holistically. The program is presented and discussed in the context of our Catholic values and beliefs. Our Student Wellbeing Program incorporates elements of Protective Behaviour Education.

Our wellbeing activities are a combination of specific programs presented to each year level group by teaching staff, counselling team members and external presenters.

The focus is on building students' intra and interpersonal skills, developing growth mindsets, coping strategies, building resilience, and social conflict / social problem-solving skills.

A supportive environment

We appreciate and celebrate the individuality of each student, relishing our role of assisting them to navigate obstacles and enabling them to discover and achieve their full potential.

We have a range of inclusive and accessible support systems and learning programs in place. These are designed to cater to students' individual needs and assist them to realise the value of their college experience while instilling the necessary tools to have an enriching life.



Inspiring life-long learners

Our learning pathways

At La Salle College we offer a diverse and challenging curriculum to cater for the needs and interests of all students. As life-long learners ourselves, we continually look to adapt the learning opportunities for our young people to meet their contemporary needs and interests.



Academic overview

La Salle College provides extensive choice and opportunities for young people in courses leading to achievement of the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), TAFE entrance, university entrance or securing employment. Our dynamic learning environment ensures students are offered a range of academic pathways tailored to help them achieve excellence at an individual level. As a Catholic school, Religious Education is our first learning area and is studied by every student from Year 7 to 12. To complement classroom learning the College also offers a range of extracurricular activities.

Year 7

Opportunities are centred around igniting their passions and exploring natural curiosities by showing them where to look; yet letting their critical and creative brains determine what they see.

Year 8

Building on the progress made in their first year the curriculum becomes more challenging, and students are placed into pathways that matches their ability in subjects such as English and Mathematics.

Year 9

Choices are tailored to both individual interests – and the link to future pathways and courses on offer in Year 10 to 12. Subjects available for students include Electronics, Sport Science, Physical Recreation, Outdoor Education, Childcare and Development, Textiles and Fashion and Music.

Year 10

Shaping their own personal pathway for learning through consultation and advice from their subject teachers. Courses are offered at a foundation, general or extension level in subjects such as English, Mathematics and Science as our lens for learning is shaped by the upcoming pathway choices in Year 11 and 12.



University pathways

ATAR

Students are provided with a variety of Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) pathways to seek entry to their university of choice. Upon completion of Year 12, students are given a calculated score based only on their Year 12 results, which is then used for university entrance applications. Students who choose the direct ATAR pathway are offered priority positions in courses of study ahead of those who seek entrance through the alternate pathway.

Murdoch Flexi-Track

A student who has the academic capacity to succeed at university but needs extra support in some areas can choose to participate in Murdoch Flexi-Track. This pathway is offered in partnership with Murdoch University and enables students to complete this university endorsed course as part of their Year 12 studies. Students who successfully complete this course will be given direct entry to any Murdoch University course, excluding Nursing, indicative of an ATAR score of 70.

Alternate pathway

A student who has the academic capacity to succeed at university but needs extra support can follow the alternate-entrance pathway. This pathway provides the opportunity for students to apply to courses from a range of universities following the completion of Year 12 where they have chosen general subjects along with English ATAR.

Education Support

Our program is one of the largest in Western Australia and our St Joseph Education Support Centre features a range of rooms that supports tailored learning. Students are provided with the opportunity to develop work-ready skills such as barista skills and business administration experience through Café de La Salle which runs once a week.

Skill-based and Workplace Learning

Skill-based programs provide students the opportunity to explore their interest in purposeful skills. At La Salle College, our food technologies, metalwork, woodwork, robotics and technical graphic design studies give students practical skills for post-school professions.

As part of our ONSITE and Vocational Education and Training (VET) programs, students can build their knowledge and experience while gaining valuable insight into industry.

Our partnerships with TAFEs, local businesses and other providers ensure our students can further their learning in a workplace setting and achieve accreditations, opening doors to higher learning and career opportunities.





Music and Arts

Our Music and Arts programs allow our students to develop their gifts and abilities to their full potential. La Salle College has a creative curriculum and after school opportunities across music, dance, drama and art programs. Through concerts, performances and exhibitions, students are given the opportunity and confidence to showcase their talent.

Opportunities at the College include:

- Art Exhibition
- Catholic Performing Arts Festival for Catholic Schools and Colleges
- College Musical Production
- Choir
- Community Carols by Candlelight
- Dance (De La Dance and De La J)
- Music Soiree
- Music Night
- Presentation Evening
- VET Music Concert



Sport and Outdoor Education

Every student can participate in our extensive curricular and co-curricular sporting program including but not limited to AFL, athletics, cross-country, netball, orienteering, soccer, swimming and volleyball. Central to this is the College's involvement in the Associated and Catholic Colleges of WA (ACC) program which includes Swimming, Athletics and Cross-Country carnivals and Inclusive Sports Program.

Our College sporting facilities include:

- 10-lane Aquatic Centre
- Cricket net facilities
- Cross-country track
- Indoor rock-climbing wall
- Large open green spaces for football, touch rugby and cricket
- Multi-purpose modern gymnasium equipped for basketball, netball, and indoor volleyball
- Multi outdoor basketball and tennis courts

Extracurricular activities

Our extracurricular activities provide opportunities for students to contribute actively and positively to the life of the College. We offer a range of before and after school activities including:

- Art Club
- Dance
- Fitness Club
- Run Club
- Study learning sessions with subject teachers

Boarding

In keeping with the tradition begun by John Baptist de La Salle, La Salle College is committed to providing outstanding residential care for Aboriginal students from remote communities to allow for access to the College's exceptional learning environment for the whole person within a Catholic community.





Community

Touching Hearts Program

We inspire our students to experience first-hand how living the values of Christ in service of others can have a positive and meaningful impact on both their lives and that of others.

Our unique faith-building Touching Hearts program extends beyond the College campus and into the home of others, helping students develop a life-long understanding of service, responsibility and community.

This tangible application of Christian values in daily life reminds students of their ability to make a difference in the lives of others through simple acts of kindness and generosity.

Our Parents & Friends (P&F)

Our College Parents and Friends (P&F) is about igniting friendship and cooperation amongst our families to benefit our College community. Our parent volunteers play such a vital role in our school community – supporting College events as well as community projects that help to raise valuable funds that support our students. Community events include Quiz Night, Carols by Candlelight and Music Nights.

Our Alumni

At La Salle College, we strive to provide our students with a school experience they will continue to cherish after they graduate. Regardless of how much time passes, we want our students to remain connected to our College community as Lasallians.

Our Alumni network is about strengthening ties between our alumni and the community, so we can celebrate achievements and contributions of our former students.



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