

**Principal**

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School Motto

Omnia Sedulo – All Things Diligently

Established

1958

School Population

Total number of students 530

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, co-educational and inclusive.

Student welfare underpins the school's success with values of tolerance, understanding, responsibility, caring, respect and co-operation 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 next door 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
- 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

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

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 school is comprehensive, coeducational and inclusive.
- 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.
- Our school offers a high profile creative and performing arts program and is located directly next door to the multimillion dollar Lake Macquarie Regional Art Gallery.
- The school has been recognised for its award winning community and public art projects.
- This year we will be utilising our new sound recording studio and establishing the music industry course.

HSC RESULTS AND YEAR 12 UNIVERSITY/TAFE PLACEMENTS

- In 2006, students achieved results above the state average in five subjects of Business Studies, Community and Family Studies, Industrial Technology, Information Processes and Technology and Mathematics.
- Students achieved 9 Band 6 results and 2 Band 4 results in Extension 2 English.
- Of our Year 12 cohort, 33% gained entry to university and a further 15% gained entry to TAFE Institutes.

FEATURES OF 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.