



Kirwan State High School

Year established

1979

Number of students

1980

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At Kirwan State High School, we are a school of choice in North Queensland and one of the largest schools in Queensland.

Our mission is to provide educational excellence for tomorrow's citizens.

We offer an unrivalled range of academic, cultural, sporting and vocational programs.

Our high-quality school facilities include a performing arts centre, large sports ovals, a swimming pool, gym, science labs and an aquaculture facility.

We are proud of our caring, safe and friendly community and our well-established student support programs.

We have hosted hundreds of international students since 2006 and this wonderful experience creates lifelong friendships and cultural understanding.

Located in Townsville, we have over 300 days of sunshine per year in our tropical climate.

Principal's welcome

Welcome to Kirwan State High School. A great school and a good place to be. We are located in Townsville, North Queensland which has a tropical climate with over 300 days of sunshine. Kirwan High is a large diverse school with more than 2000 students. We offer excellent programs including sports, the arts, science and technology. We also have Leadership programs, programs for student wellbeing, school musicals and much more. Our facilities include large sporting ovals, a swimming pool, gymnasium, scientific laboratories, an aquaculture facility and many modern classrooms.

In preparing students to be tomorrow's citizens, our curriculum is infused with the concepts of international mindedness and intercultural understanding.

Being an international student at Kirwan High is a wonderful Australian experience. You will make great friends, receive a high quality education, have remarkable experiences in beautiful North Queensland, and leave with lifelong memories. We look forward to welcoming you to our school in the future.

Three reasons to choose Kirwan State High School

1. Innovative and rigorous academic program with strong student results
2. Unparalleled range of high-quality academic, performing arts, sporting and vocational programs
3. The educational support services of a large, well-resourced school coupled with the safe and friendly environment of a regional city

Homestay

Homestay* enables EQI students to truly experience Australia's famous lifestyle.

By living with an Australian host family international students become part of the local community and have a fantastic opportunity to practise their English in a safe and caring home environment. International students often develop lasting friendships with their homestay families.

- Students have their own bedroom with study facilities, three meals a day, and access to transport to and from school, and to school activities
- Host families are carefully selected from within the school community and undergo a police check as required by Queensland law

Standard Homestay fees have been set and these are listed on the [EQI program fees page](#).

Read more about [accommodation and welfare](#).

* Students enrolled in Primary School must live with a parent or close relative as defined by the Australian Immigration Regulations.

University or vocational pathways

- James%20Cook%20University%20(JCU)%20-%20range%20of%20university%20subjects%20offered%20to%20senior%20students
- TAFE%20Queensland%20North%20-%20dual%20enrolment%20and%20seamless%20pathways

School facilities

- Performing-arts, music centre and visual arts studio
- Aquaculture facility and science laboratories
- Technology centre, computer laboratories, robotics
- Hospitality, business and industry facilities
- Sports fields, indoor sports, gymnasium and swimming pool
- Basketball and netball courts
- Cricket training nets
- Excelsior Centre (school hall)
- QUAD (open air auditorium, teaching space)

Extra curricular activities

- Music programs – instrumental, orchestras, concert band, stage band and choirs
- Drama, dance, vocal and stage productions, and an annual musical
- Music, sport and leadership camps
- International camp to Airlie Beach and Whitsunday Islands
- Debating and public speaking
- Sporting competitions
- Overseas study tours
- Interact Club and community service
- Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme
- Chess Club

Holiday adventure programs

EQI holiday adventure programs are an exciting and safe way for international students to travel and sightsee during school holidays.

There's an adventure to suit every taste - from visiting city landmarks and riding camels on an unforgettable Australian outback adventure, to exploring ancient rainforests and swimming with turtles off Queensland's pristine white sand beaches.

All holiday adventures are fully guided and escorted by qualified Queensland Government teachers and staff to ensure student safety. These programs are open to international students enrolled in an EQI high school and additional fees apply. Find out more about our [holiday adventure programs](#).

Languages

- French and Japanese
- Mentored external (Distance Education) classes in German, Vietnamese, Chinese (Mandarin) and Italian
- English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EAL/D) support
- Language ambassador program

Special programs

- Global Leaders Academy – providing opportunities for academic development and leadership
- Sports Academy – providing athletes with the opportunity to improve performance and excel in their chosen sport
- Creative Arts Academy – developing creativity and personal excellence through performing and visual arts
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) programs, Marine Science, Science Extension
- Leadership program

Disclaimer

The information and data in this webpage is subject to change without notice. Before submitting your application, if you are interested in:

- a particular subject, sport, program or extracurricular activity offered by an EQI school; or
- particular school facilities;

please contact EQI or the school directly to confirm it will be offered and/or available in the year you intend to study.