



Maleny State High School

Year established
1987

Number of students
700

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Our school is located in the lush mountains overlooking the Sunshine Coast beaches, and close to

local outdoor experiences including rainforests, waterfalls and the Glasshouse Mountains.

As a school we aim to inspire, educate, guide and support you.

Through positive relationships, a safe and supportive environment, high expectations and

effective teaching and learning, we promote learning in our school.

We have a history of outstanding academic achievement, a caring and compassionate ethos - both

locally and globally, and a friendly, personalised community.

We have been welcoming students from other countries for more than 15 years.

Our students and staff enjoy having international students here and it enhances our understanding of other cultures.

Principal's welcome

Maleny State High School is located in the Queensland Sunshine Coast Hinterland, 100km north of Brisbane and 35 minutes' drive from the beautiful Sunshine Coast beaches. The school services the communities of the Blackall Range, Upper Mary Valley, part of the rail corridor and surrounding areas. The school was established in 1987 and has a reputation for a diverse, innovative curriculum, excellent facilities and a pleasant environment for student learning.

The school offers a diverse curriculum program which recognises the importance of traditional academic subjects as preparation for tertiary entrance while at the same time offering a wide range of vocational education courses. The school aims to provide students with maximum opportunities to achieve credits towards their Queensland Certificates of Education. The school actively pursues the principle of "Learning for Living".

Many students have extended and enriched their secondary experience by accessing subjects offered by universities, as well as Brisbane School of Distance Education.

The Middle Years (Years 7-9) Curriculum studies are based on the Australian Curriculum, emphasizing team planning and literacy.

During the Senior Phase of Learning (Years 10-12) students are provided with opportunities to extend their studies and diversify as they work towards obtaining their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). QCS Test and OP performance is usually above the State average in the higher bands. Over the last five years, an average of 24.0% of our year 12 students have been placed in the OP bands of 1-7, compared with 22.7% across Queensland. 97% of Maleny SHS students who apply for Tertiary Entrance receive a QTAC offer for a tertiary place. On average, over 60% of year 12s are OP eligible, with more than 85% of all year 12s gaining either an OP or "VET" qualifications. 25% - 30% of Senior students undertake a traineeship and nearly all of these exit year 12 with a VET certificate at AQTF level I or II.

Maleny State High School is an accredited Education Queensland International school and offers places to International students from all around the world. We also host regular International Study Tours each year, mainly from Japan.

A large number of students participate in and gain success in a range of extension and co-academic activities such as competitions and cultural events within the strong Arts fields of Drama, Music, Dance and Visual Arts, as well as a strong sporting presence. Students undertake a range of leadership roles through the Student Council, Interact Club, School Captaincy and House Sports positions.

The school grounds have an area of 15.4 hectares and include a 7 hectare Agricultural Section which regularly showcases its successful cattle handling teams and other primary industry initiatives. A large multipurpose Activities Centre and Dance Studio cater for sport, performances and assembly and are hired regularly by community groups.

Three reasons to choose Maleny State High School

1. A hub of learning in a rich, cultural and artistic area, offering diverse subject choices that lead to multiple career pathways
2. A very successful and dynamic agricultural studies department
3. Unique hinterland setting close to beaches

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

- Entry to Queensland universities
- Study university courses at SCU through their Head-Start program
- Queensland Certificate of Education

School facilities

- Dedicated international students' room
- Sports facilities - Rugby field and 2 netball courts
- Indoor activities centre for sports and functions
- Professional dance studio
- Multimedia classrooms and computer labs
- Weights gymnasium
- 7 hectare farm
- Virtual Schooling system
- Science labs
- Hospitality and catering kitchens

Extra curricular activities

- School, district and community sporting teams
- Academic competitions
- Public-speaking
- Agricultural Show Cattle team - cattle handling and judging training
- School camps, annual ski trip and biannual Japan study tour
- Personal development programs - Interact Club
- Social Justice - Nepal humanitarian excursion
- School musical
- School promotional expos
- After school activities on school grounds – sports and performing arts

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 EQI 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 EQI 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. To find out more visit the [holiday programs page](#)

Languages

- Japanese

Special programs

- Tutorial Programs in maths, English and Japanese
- STEAM Program (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics)
- Senior leadership programs
- Vocational Education and Training program
- BYoD - Bring Your Own Device - Information Technology program
- On-site school farm for livestock and horticulture
- Duke of Edinburgh's Award
- ReBoot (Social and Emotional Resilience) program
- Environmental committee
- Music Excellence 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.