



William Ross State High School

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At William Ross State High School we offer an environment where you can succeed through our curriculum and teaching strategies that target advanced learning and improve student outcomes.

Located close to Townsville's Murray Sporting Complex, we are proud of our sporting tradition, and our excellence program that has developed successful athletes in regional, state and national competition.

Our study tour program creates strong relationships with schools in China and Japan.

Partnerships with James Cook University (JCU) and Queensland University of Technology (QUT) enhance your learning and prepare you for tertiary study.

We also offer a range of vocational training courses including engineering and digital media, and external courses in fitness, sport and recreation, and early childhood education and care.

Principal's welcome

Welcome to William Ross State High School.

Our school is an innovative academic school with an extensive range of curriculum providing high quality learning with a strong student support program.

William Ross delivers opportunities for international students to experience success and achieve productive outcomes across academic studies, cultural events and sporting activities.

Located on the south side of Townsville, our open North Queensland life-style offers students experiences and activities that extend their understanding of Australian culture and provide a unique life balance that will add to their personal development as global citizens.

Three reasons to choose William Ross State High School

1. A welcoming local community that embraces culture and diversity with established support systems, orientation programs and homestays for international students.
2. With a strong education focus, William Ross State High School has direct links university and industry pathway programs to prepare students for a career or further study.
3. A proud sporting tradition and programs that develop and support elite athletes to regional, state and national level.

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

- Tertiary%20and%20industry%20training%20pathways
- Pathway%20programs%20with%20JCU

- Vocational%20Education%20and%20Training%20(VET)%20Certificate%20courses

School facilities

- Wireless-networked classrooms with smartboards, desktop and laptop computers
- Computer laboratories, 3D printing and AutoCAD design capabilities
- Commercial kitchen facilities
- Trade centre with trade-certified equipment
- Dance room, gym and performing-arts centre
- Aquaponics system
- Film and sound, and art studios
- University standard science laboratory with robotics facilities
- Confucius Classroom in partnership with QUT

Extra curricular activities

- Science and mathematics competitions
- School camping program including the Student Leaders Retreat and Learning Access Transition Camp
- Years 7 and 8 Camp and Year 11 Camp
- Sports carnivals and ski tour
- Community performances, dance, musicals and rock eisteddfods
- Chess club
- Concert bands and jazz, strings and brass ensembles
- Junior and senior debating and public-speaking
- Junior and senior student representative council
- Chinese speaking and writing competitions
- Study tours to China and Japan
- Language Perfect competition (2015 Queensland State Champions and placed 6th at the global Championships)

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

- Chinese (Years 7 to 12)
- Japanese (Years 7 to 10)
- Language Ambassadors program with JCU

Special programs

- Leading Learner program in mathematics, English, art, engineering, science and humanities for academically advanced students (Years 7 to 10)
- Instrumental music programs - brass, woodwind, percussion and strings
- Rhinos Sports Academy for elite athletes in Years 7 to 12
- Film, television and digital photography
- English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EAL/D)

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.