

Mackay North State High School

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Year established: 1964

Number of students: 1400

Our school is located in the tropical Queensland coastal city of Mackay, approximately 1000 km north of Brisbane and 150 km from the world-famous beachside community of Airlie Beach, gateway to the Great Barrier Reef and the Whitsunday Islands.

Our school has a reputation for academic excellence and outstanding achievement in sport, music, and visual and performing arts. We are well resourced and able to offer an extensive range of subjects and extracurricular activities.

The Mackay region offers a wide variety of experiences, including boating, fishing, wildlife watching and cultural events. Enjoy weekends with your homestay family discovering our tropical rainforests coastal islands and wallabies at sunrise on our sandy beaches.

Our community is safe, welcoming and committed to ensuring a positive experience for our students. We invite you to join our international family.



Special programs

- Marine Studies – including boating and field trips to local beaches, Mackay Harbour, the Great Barrier Reef and the Whitsunday Islands.
- Excellence in music and art programs
- Highly regarded instrumental musical program

Extracurricular activities

- Chess competition, Debating, After School Art
- Science Week activities, Opti MINDS, F1 in Schools
- Readers' Cup, Legal Studies trip (Brisbane Courts), Writing competitions
- McDonalds' Maths Competition, Australasian Problem Solving Maths Olympiad, Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians, ICAS and AMC Maths Competitions
- Girls Network Program
- Swimming, Cross-country, Athletics, Mountain Bike Riding
- Rugby League, Hockey, Volleyball, Netball, Soccer, Rugby Union, AFL, Cricket, Touch Football
- Marching Band, Cheer Squad, String Orchestra, Stage Band, Senior Concert Band, Drumline Ensemble, Show Choir, Folk Ensemble
- Mackay Regional Show – Food and Art Competitions, May Fair Art Exhibition and Competition, Visiting Artists, Year 12 Art Generation Competition
- Rock-Pop-Mime
- Dance Troupe
- Japanese Trip, Ski Trip, G'Day USA Trip, Cambodia Trip, Year 7, 9 and 11 Camps, Anzac Commemorative Tour (Gallipoli), Year 11 Geography Camp (Keswick Is)
- Motivational Media
- Rotary Young Chefs
- Sampling Work Experience

School facilities

- Health and physical education facilities include: a 25-metre swimming pool, extensive playing fields, a gym and a covered basketball court
- Senior centre facilities include an auditorium, senior study room and an international room
- Junior secondary precinct provides indoor and outdoor educational and recreational areas
- Arts facilities include an art studio, performing arts area, music practice rooms and a dance floor
- Vocational education facilities include a commercial kitchen and training restaurant, and engineering and building workshops

Tertiary pathways

- CQ University (Mackay/Rockhampton)
- James Cook University (Townsville/Cairns)
- University of Queensland (Brisbane)
- Griffith University (Gold Coast)
- University of Sunshine Coast
- QUT (Brisbane)

Languages

- Japanese

