## Border Rivers Christian College Annual Report 2025

(utilising 2024 figures)



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#### **Introducing Border Rivers Christian College**

Border Rivers Christian College is an Independent Prep - Year 12 Co-educational College in the border town of Goondiwindi, Queensland.

#### **College Mission Statement**

The College's mission is to work in partnership with students and families to facilitate excellence in Christian education, building a foundation in students that will stay with them for life.

#### **College Values**

Christlikeness - "Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did." 1 John 2:6 NIV

- · I am prepared to serve others in love
- · I will consider the needs of others
- · I will be patient, kind and gracious

**Learning -** "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." Proverbs 22:6 NIV

- I am ready to learn
- I have all my required equipment for the day
- · I will diligently complete my homework

**Excellence -** "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord,...," Colossians 3:23 NIV

- I will try my best and encourage others to do the same
- · I am determined to achieve to the best of my ability
- I will demonstrate and develop my gifts and talents

**Attitude -** "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Ephesians 4:32 NIV

- I will have a positive approach to learning
- I am determined to work to overcome obstacles
- I am prepared to work at relationships

**Respect -** "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you,...." Matthew 7:12 NIV

- I will consider the impact of my actions
- I will not hinder others from learning
- I will be in full and correct uniform

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#### **Principals Letter**

What a year of celebration and reflection! Our amazing 10 years of operation Art Show was a huge credit to our students and the hard work and dedication of Mrs Julie Bauer, our Art teacher, who arranged artists to inform and inspire the students, and prepared the art pieces for display.

Alongside this were outstanding achievements in the Goondiwindi Eisteddfod, McIntyre Young Writers' Awards and a host of other competitions, both artistic and academic. Science Olympiad participants went on to engage with specialists in their field. Congratulations, Hannah and Joash! Lions Youth of the Year was won by Niamh, who progressed to the next round, representing Goondiwindi. We also had numerous students trial for various sporting teams at different levels and achieve fantastic PB's and outcomes.

Our NAPLAN and ATAR results were again high, with students demonstrating strong improvement in PAT testing and assessment aligned with Version 9 of the Australian Curriculum.

The biannual Canberra camp took place, generating amazing experiences and life-long memories. Students also engaged in other camps that occurred across year levels, strengthening friendships and, again, creating lasting memories.

A big thank you to our wonderful Parents and Friends Association (P&F). Under the leadership of Mrs Sharon Bursle, this small but incredibly hard-working group have raised funds and supported many different events, such as the fantastic Science Night.

Science Night was a highlight of the year, with a sideshow approach and fun science games that engaged both young and old in a quest to win tokens and exchange them for prizes. To match the theme, donuts, fairy-floss and drinks were available. All this and a wonderful Mexican meal by the P&F! Thank you, Mr McClintock, and a wonderful team of staff and student volunteers who ran all the activities on the night.

As we reflect on 10 years of operation, we look back on all that has been and we are so thankful for God's provision and the wonderful families who have supported BRCC throughout the years.

Yours in Christ, Rebecca Montgomery

#### Student Breakdown

2024					
Male	Female	Total	Indigenous	NCCD	
51	48	99	5	26	

#### **Distinctive Curriculum Offerings / Extra Curricular**

Students at Border Rivers Christian College engage in a strong grounding of curriculum offerings, providing pathways to further education and training. As a Christian School, we offer Christian Living as a subject from Prep to Year 10, focusing on biblical truth and application.

Students engaged in service-based activities such as Meals on Wheels, and they conducted regular Chapel / Assembly, leading the service, singing and introducing guest speakers. Students from 7-10 engage in a wide range of elective programs which allow them to explore their individual interests. Students are encouraged also to pursue musical and sporting endeavours. Students are supported to participate in the Goondiwindi Eisteddfod in a range of artistic disciplines.



#### **Social Climate**

Border Rivers Christian College fosters a caring environment informed by a Biblical world view. Child protection, behaviour management and anti-bullying policies and programs are in place, with an emphasis on prevention. Staff structures support student pastoral care through Home Room Teachers, the College Chaplain and the College on-site Counsellor.

A weekly Chapel Service is part of the school program and regular school sporting competitions are held to encourage a whole school social atmosphere.

We have a number of volunteers who regularly help at the College and support the learning of students.

#### **Parent and Teacher Satisfaction**

#### Parental Involvement

Parents and carers are encouraged to be involved and participate at the College and in their students education in several ways.

Parents and carers are invited to join the Parents & Friends Association (P&F) who meet twice a term to discuss developments within the College, encourage connection and raise fund for specific projects. The P&F play a vital role in the college community and contribute greatly to many of our family fun events held throughout the year.

Parents and carers assist at school carnivals (cross-country, athletics and swimming), on bike week, in classrooms (mainly primary), on excursions, on camps, and are encouraged to attend weekly chapel. We greatly value the contribution our parents and carers make to our College community.

#### **Teacher Satisfaction**

Teacher retention from the end of the 2024 year was 93.33%. As a small school we are able to encourage and support our teaching staff throughout the year to ensure teacher satisfaction.

Regular staff activities are held throughout the year to promote positive staff relationships, help new teachers to thrive and improve student outcomes.





#### **Staffing Information:**

Total Staff	28
Full Time	8
Part Time	20
Teaching	15
Office Staff	7
Support Staff	6

#### **Qualifications of Staff**

Qualifications	Number of Teachers & School Leaders who old this Qualification
Masters or Higher	2
Bachelor	16







#### **Attendance**

The average attendance rate for the whole school as a percentage in 2024 was 89%.

#### Average Student Attendance Rate for Each Year Level

Year Levels	Average attendance rate as a percentage in 2024
Prep	94%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	85%
Year 3	87%
Year 4	84%
Year 5	90%
Year 6	88%
Year 7	90%
Year 8	91%
Year 9	88%
Year 10	92%
Year 11	87%
Year 12	92%

#### Non-Attendance

Parents are required to notify the college if their child is absent for any reason. Office staff manage student attendance with the assistance of homeroom teachers. Office staff contact parents to confirm absences when reasons are not provided. Parents are to notify office staff of any planned absences by students. Office staff liaise with homeroom teachers to ensure schoolwork arrangements are made.

#### **NAPLAN**

2023	2024				
Compare to	pare to Students with similar background		All Australian stude	ents	
	Reading	Writing	Spelling	Grammar	Numeracy
Year 3	-	-	-	-	-
Year 5	534	495	536	538	547
Year 7	634	638	580	686	647
Year 9	-	-	-	-	-

#### **Post School Destinations**

Outcomes for Year 12 Cohort 2024	
Number of students awarded a Senior Education Profile	7
Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA)	0
Number of students who received an ATAR	3
Number of students who are completing or completed a School-Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship	4
Number of students who completed completed one or more university subjects while at school	1
Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)	7
Percentage of Year 12 students who received an ATAR above 90	33%
Percentage of Queensland Tertiary Adminissions Centre (QTAC) applicants receiving a tertiary offer	100%



#### **Contact Person**

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#### **School Income Broken Down by Funding Source**

Please refer to the My School website for information on school funding: http://www.myschool.edu.au/school/52443



