

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

St Patrick's College Gympie







Welcome to St Patrick's College Gympie

At St Patrick's College, we are proud to be an authentic Catholic community that warmly welcomes students from all faiths and backgrounds. We celebrate the richness of our diverse families and are committed to delivering a future-focused education that meets the needs of every learner.

Our College is built on a foundation of high expectations and genuine support. Guided by the shared values of St Pat's Way, we foster a culture where students, staff and families work together in a spirit of respect and integrity. St Patrick's has a strong reputation for preparing young people to make meaningful contributions to society. We set high standards across all areas of College life - academically, socially and spiritually.

Our curriculum is broad and engaging, grounded in the Australian Curriculum and enriched by a wide selection of electives. As students progress, they are supported to pursue academic and vocational pathways that align with their strengths and aspirations. We understand that student wellbeing is essential to success. Our comprehensive Pastoral Care program ensures that every student feels known, supported, and empowered to thrive.

Beyond the classroom, our students are encouraged to explore their passions and develop new skills through an extensive extracurricular program. From sports and performing arts to leadership opportunities, community service, and academic clubs, these activities foster confidence, teamwork and a strong sense of belonging. While we embrace the challenges of a rapidly changing world, we remain deeply connected to the traditions and values that shape our welcoming, family-oriented environment. St Patrick's College is known for its positive and transparent culture, which is reflected in the strong partnerships we share with our families and the wider community.

Thank you for considering St Patrick's College Gympie for your child's secondary education. We look forward to the opportunity to welcome you into our vibrant school community.

Mark Newton Principal

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Who We Are

Situated centrally in Gympie on top of Calton Hill, the College enjoys close proximity to a local Primary School and Parish Church, reinforcing its strong community connections.

Originally established in 1983 through the unification of separate boys' and girls' schools, the College began with just under 300 students and has since grown into a vibrant learning community.

With around 540 students expected in 2026 and growing each year, the College offers a supportive and inclusive environment. We are structured around four House groups, Chisholm, Horan, McAuley and Rice, that encourage connection, leadership and positive school spirit.

With strong ties to local schools and parish life, our College offers a welcoming environment where every student is known, valued, and encouraged to reach their full potential. Through quality teaching, modern facilities, and a strong sense of belonging, we prepare students not just for academic success, but for life.

Our Mission

St Patrick's College aspires to be a community based on Gospel values of faith, compassion, wisdom and respect, expressed through the Catholic tradition.

We strive to -

- Foster a deepening personal commitment to God
- Witness to Gospel values and the Christian way of life by encouraging a spirit of compassion and service to others
- Promote spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social and physical development
- Recognise and foster the talents and potential of each member of our College community



RELIGIOUS LIFE OF THE COLLEGE



Nurturing Hearts, Minds and Spirit

At St Patrick's College, our Catholic faith and the traditions of the Christian Brothers and Sisters of Mercy shape the heart of our community. We are a place where all are welcomed, respected, and encouraged to explore their own spiritual journey, regardless of personal faith background.

Prayer is central to daily life at the College. Each day begins with prayer in Homeroom, and we gather regularly for assemblies and whole-school liturgies to mark significant occasions in our calendar. These shared moments of reflection and celebration nurture a sense of belonging and remind us of the values we seek to live by.

Students are also offered meaningful opportunities for spiritual growth and formation through year-level retreats, reflection days, and camps. These experiences allow time for personal reflection, connection with others, and deeper exploration of faith and values in a supportive environment.

Religious Education is a core subject for all students from Years 7–12. It provides opportunities to explore the Catholic faith, engage with other religious traditions, and reflect on life's big questions in a respectful and inclusive way. Through classroom learning, discussion, and practical application, students are encouraged to think critically, grow in understanding, and develop a sense of moral and social responsibility. In all that we do, we aim to inspire students to live with compassion, integrity, and a commitment to serving others — forming young people who make a positive difference in the world.

St Patrick's College Pillars



Our Facilities



What we have on offer

St Patrick's College offers a wide range of modern, purpose built facilities designed to support students' academic, creative and personal development.

- Science and Computer Labs: Modern, well-equipped facilities to support STEM learning
- **Library**: A well-resourced, central hub for research, study, and quiet reading, offering a wide range of print and digital materials, along with spaces for both independent and collaborative learning
- Wellbeing Spaces: Dedicated areas that promote student mental health and wellbeing
- On-site Gym: Encourages health, fitness, and an active lifestyle
- Sporting Fields: Spacious grounds for various physical activities and team sports
- Arts Precinct: A vibrant space offering opportunities in visual arts, media and creative design
- Hospitality Department: Provides practical training and skill development through the student-run food van and hospitality courses, giving students real-world experience in the industry
- Agricultural Property (The Dawn): Offers practical, hands-on learning in agriculture and land management
- Industrial Technology & Design Facility: Fully equipped with tools for woodwork, metalwork, and design projects, supporting creative and technical learning
- **General-Purpose Classrooms:** Many of the general-purpose classrooms have been refurbished and they are carpeted, air-conditioned, fully Wi-Fi enabled, and equipped with interactive whiteboards or digital televisions

At St Patrick's College, we are committed to continual improvement and are constantly upgrading and enhancing our facilities to provide the best possible environment for learning and growth. The College operates under a dynamic 20 year Master Plan, guiding the ongoing development and improvement of our campus to meet the evolving needs of our students and community.



Curriculum & Academic Excellence



Academic Excellence

At St Patrick's College, we are committed to nurturing confident, capable learners who are equipped to thrive in an ever-evolving world. Curriculum design and delivery at St Patrick's College is grounded in the Alice Springs (Mparntwe) Education Declaration and is mindful of the declaration's goals - to promote excellence and equity by supporting students to achieve high standards and providing structures and adjusted strategies that enable equitable learning experiences. This is achieved within a faith-filled learning environment in which we are committed to supporting students to become confident and creative individuals, successful lifelong learners and active and informed members of the community.

At St Patrick's College, we believe in research-based teaching practices to support student progress within our school. We believe that effective pedagogy utilises high impact teaching strategies and leads to engaged learners who are self-directed, persistent and curious.

Years 7-10: Building Strong Foundations

Students in Years 7 to 10 engage with the full breadth of the knowledge and skills outlined in the Australian Curriculum, ensuring a strong foundation across all key learning areas. Subjects studied include:

- Religious Education
- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Humanities: History, Geography, Economics and Business and Civics and Citizenship
- French
- Health and Physical Education
- Technologies: Digital Technologies, Design Technologies, Materials/Woodwork, Engineering/Metalwork, Food and Agriculture
- The Arts: Visual Art. Drama. Music and Dance

In Year 9 and 10, students begin to personalise their learning through a range of elective subjects that align with their interests. Electives are offered across all areas of the Australian Curriculum and in Year 10 are targeted toward preparing students for appropriate pathways in the senior phase of schooling.

Years 11–12: Pathways to the Future

Senior students at St Patrick's can choose from a diverse range of academic and vocational pathways. All students seek to achieve either a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) or Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA) and many students also gain an Australian Admissions Tertiary Rank (ATAR). Our General and Applied subjects, as well as some Certificate subjects, support students aiming for university entrance, while our Vocational Education and Training (VET) offerings provide nationally recognised qualifications and hands-on experience.

Vocational Education & Training



Career Focused Learning

St Patrick's College offers practical, career-focused learning through nationally recognised VET programs. Designed to prepare students for employment, these courses include hands-on training, work placements and industry qualifications.

Our Courses

We are a Registered Training Organisation (RTO 45734), offering:

• Certificate I in Workplace Readiness (BSB10120) - Year 10

Other Qualifications Offered On Campus:

- Certificate I & II in Construction Bluedog Training (RTO 31193)
- Certificate II in Engineering Pathways Bluedog Training (RTO 31193)
- Certificate III in Hospitality Smartskill (RTO 5710)
- Certificate III in Fitness (SIS30321) / Certificate II in Sport Coaching (SIS20321) Binnacle Training (RTO 31319)
- Certificate III in Health Assistance (HLT33115) Connect n Grow (RTO 40518)
- Diploma of Business Business Development (BSB50120) Get Set Education (RTO 45252)

Online Courses Available:

- Certificate IV in Justice Studies (0971NAT) Professional Investigators College of Australasia (RTO 40789)
- Certificate II in Sampling & Measurement (MSL20122) / Certificate III in Laboratory Skills (MSL30122) – ABC Training (RTO 5800)

Additional Opportunities:

- Workplace Learning: Gain experience through Work Experience or Structured Work Placement
- TAFE at School: Support for students pursuing TAFE studies during senior years
- School-Based Apprenticeships & Traineeships: Combine work and study for students in Years 10–12

Want to Know More?

For more information about our Vocational Education and Training opportunities, please feel free to contact the College.

You're also welcome to discuss your options during your enrolment interview. We're here to help you plan a pathway that suits your goals.

Please note that these courses are offered at the College for the Year 2026 and may be subject to change in the following years.

Extracurricular Opportunities





Enrolment Process



How to Apply



01 Submit Vol

Submit Your Application

 Complete and submit the Online Application for Enrolment Form (Enrolments tab dropdown) on our website www.spcgympie.qld.edu.au



02

Prepare Required Documents

- Upon submitting your application, you will receive an automated email listing the required documents to support your application
- Send these to sgymenrol@bne.catholic.edu.au within 48 hours as scanned attachments or PDF documents only, no photographs or links.
- Applications without supporting documents will be archived after 2 weeks and it will be necessary to begin the process again



03

Book an Enrolment Interview

- Once your application has been processed, our enrolment team will contact you to arrange an Enrolment Interview for your child
- Please bring your child's original Birth Certificate with you to the interview



04 Attend the

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- Attend the enrolment interview with your child, our admissions team will discuss your aspirations and suitability for St Patrick's College
- You may be offered a place at the College at this time or you may need to return for further discussion



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Return the Confirmation of Enrolment Form

- Return the completed Confirmation of Enrolment Form within 48 hours and pay the \$200 Enrolment Fee
- Your child's place at the College will not be secured until we have received the completed CoE form

Fees



Fees and Levies Invoice issued each Term

- Support teaching, resources, activities (excursions, retreats, camps), building maintenance and development aligned with College mission
- Fees Vary: Fees differ by year level and depend on the subjects your child studies
 please contact the office or visit our website for a full break down of fees
- Payment due within 14 days



Payment Options

- EFTPOS at College office
- Credit card via Qkr! app
- Direct Debit (weekly, fortnightly, monthly, or per term) — free, but bank fees may apply for rejected payments
- BPay (minimum \$50 payment)



Value for Money

- Full Technology Support
- Inclusive School Fees
- Investment in Quality Staff
- Learning Resources
- Modern, Purpose-Built Facilities & Beautifully Maintained Grounds





Contact Us

We're here to answer your questions and guide you through the journey of joining St Patrick's College.
Feel free to reach out to us.

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