

Every Student Achieving Success



JUNIOR
SECONDARY



Earnshaw
PREP-12 STATE COLLEGE



Acknowledgment of Country

Earnshaw State College acknowledges the traditional owners, the Turrbal and Jagera First Nations people as the custodians of the land on which we gather today, recognising their connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to Australia's First Nations people and to their elder's past, present and emerging. May their strength and wisdom be with us today.



Vision

- Every Student Achieving Success

Mission

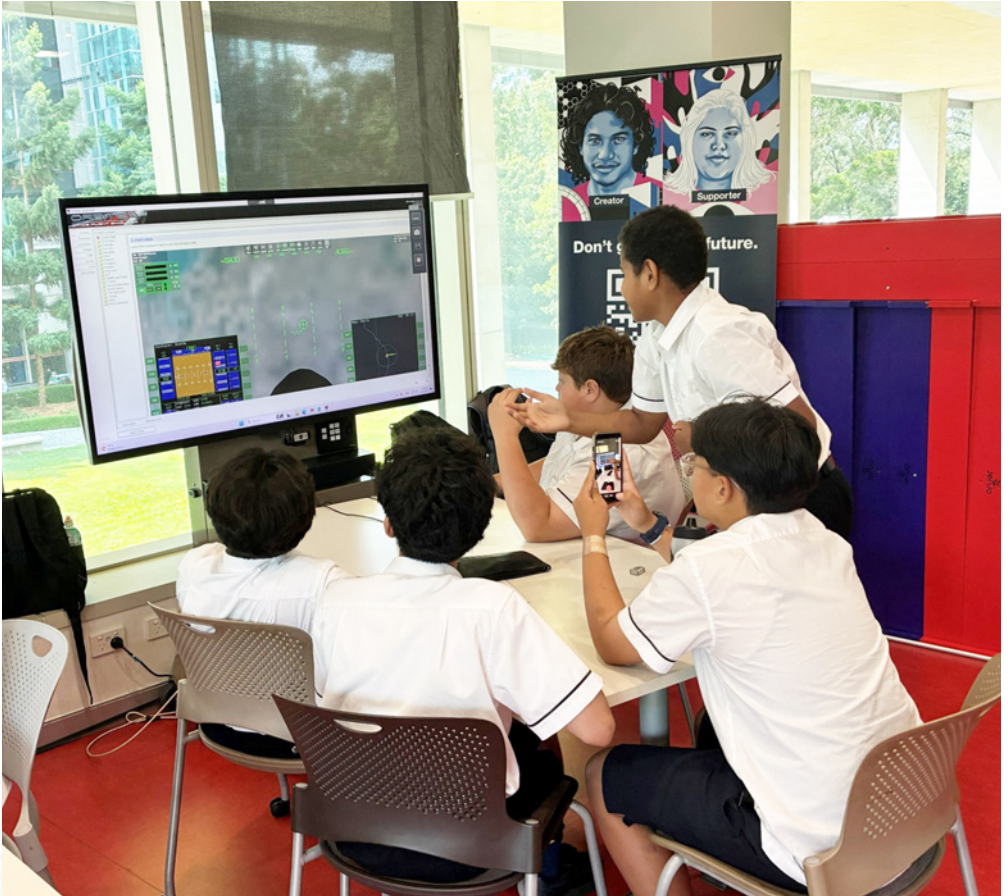
- Embrace Challenge
- Learn with Passion
- Take Opportunities

Values

- Diligence
- Integrity
- Courage
- Empathy

Expectations

- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be Safe



Junior Secondary

Earnshaw State College supports students in Years 7–9 through our Junior Secondary program, emphasizing a smooth transition from primary to secondary school.

As a Prep–Year 12 college, we offer a continuous and integrated approach to curriculum, teaching, and student development.

The college's strong connections with families and the community help ensure every student achieves success.



Successful Transitions

Earnshaw State College supports early adolescents by focusing on three key areas:

- connection and belonging
- student voice and agency
- effective, innovative teaching

These priorities create engaging learning experiences that promote both academic success and student wellbeing, ensuring every student feels known, supported, and able to achieve their best.



Teaching and Learning

Earnshaw State College delivers the Australian Curriculum through a consistent and collaborative approach, ensuring alignment across teaching, assessment, and reporting.

Our highly qualified team of teachers and teacher aides use evidence-based, differentiated teaching to support every student's success and wellbeing.

A positive learning culture, combined with innovative and digital approaches, creates engaging, relevant, and future-focused learning experiences that build confidence and prepare students for success.



Engaging, Connected Curriculum

Our Junior Secondary program is designed to engage students in a rich, seamless curriculum that supports both academic success and personal growth.

Our approach focuses on connection, engagement and achievement through:

Building strong connections to life beyond the classroom through real-world learning experiences, including excursions and incursions.

Delivering integrated units of work that embed literacy and numeracy across the curriculum.

Developing critical thinking, problem-solving and decision-making skills through inquiry-based learning.

Strengthening student voice, agency and independence through opportunities for collaboration and reflection.

Supporting communication, social and self-management skills.

Promoting an understanding of social and cultural responsibilities.



Curriculum Diversity

Students have access to a wide range of programs that enhance engagement and develop and extend individual interests and talents.

Sport: A comprehensive Physical Education program, including cross-country, swimming and athletics, with opportunities to participate in regional, state and national competitions. Students can also join our Baseball and Softball Academy (BASE).

The Arts: Opportunities to develop creativity through our Arts program, supported by our Instrumental Music Program strings ensemble and band.

Languages: Study of Japanese or Spanish as a Language other than English.

Technology: Access to modern, specialised facilities that support engaging and future-focused learning.



Year 7 to 9 Subject Structure

Students in Junior Secondary study a broad and balanced curriculum, including the core subjects of English, Mathematics, Science and Humanities (History, Geography, Civics, Economics and Business), along with a Language (Spanish or Japanese) and Health and Physical Education.

Students also engage in elective subjects through a term or semester-based rotation of Arts and Technology, providing opportunities to explore a range of interests and develop practical and creative skills.

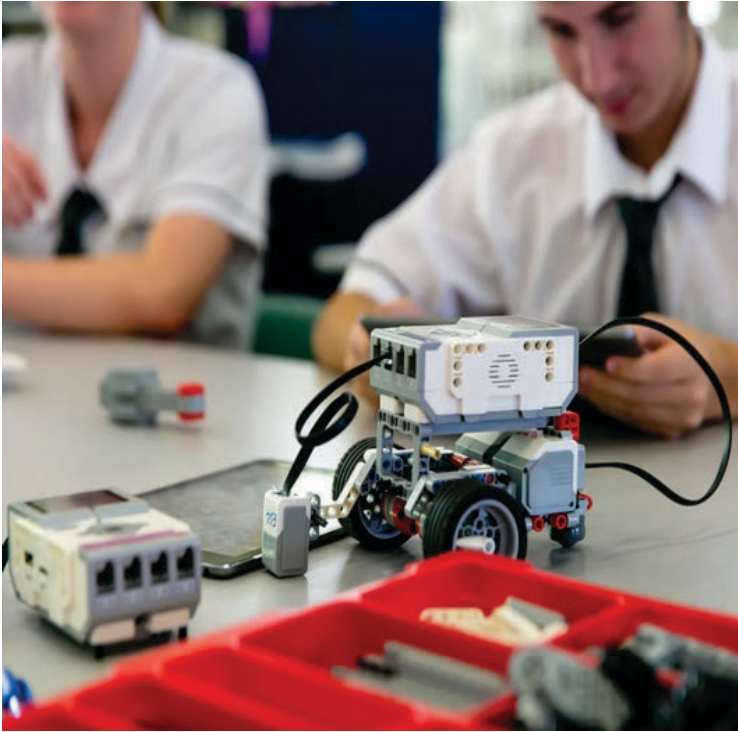
Students also participate in a chosen Sport or choose an alternative activity. Students may choose from a variety of options including STEM, Digital Technologies, Art and Food Studies, further enriching their learning experiences.



Elective Subjects

At Earnshaw State College, Years 7 and 8 students explore a wide range of Arts and Technology electives to discover interests and develop skills.

In Year 9, students select subjects that align with their strengths and interests, helping to increase engagement and prepare for specialised pathways in their senior years.



Extra Curricular Activities



Students have the opportunity to participate in a wide range of extracurricular activities, including Choir, Dance, STEM, Book Club and Homework Club.

Students can also engage in our Instrumental Music Program, with opportunities in both strings and band.

Academic extension opportunities are available through university-linked STEM programs and competitions in Mathematics and Science, including ICAS.

In addition, students can participate in sporting and recreational clubs such as Eagles Skipping Club and the Eels Swimming Club.



The Earnshaw State College Baseball and Softball Academy (BASE) provides students with the opportunity to develop their skills in a high-quality, supportive environment.

Through specialised coaching and access to competitive pathways, students build teamwork, discipline and resilience while enhancing their physical fitness and game understanding.

The program supports both aspiring athletes and those seeking to further their interest in sport, fostering confidence, school engagement and a strong sense of belonging within the college community.

Visit our website for further information and application form.

Excellence Program - BASE



Connection and Belonging

We foster a positive and supportive college culture that motivates students to learn, build confidence, and develop the skills needed for future success.

We prioritise student wellbeing through strong pastoral care and targeted support.

Homegroup teachers and Year Level Coordinators provide the first point of contact and ongoing support for students, as well as a key connection for parents and families.

Our Wellbeing Centre and Engagement Hub provide additional support through a guidance officer, chaplain, engagement teacher and youth worker.

Students are supported to build positive relationships and a strong sense of belonging, ensuring they feel known, valued and supported throughout their junior secondary years.

Structured lunchtime activities are also available, offering students further opportunities to connect, engage and develop positive social skills.

Lunch Activities

LUNCH 1		LUNCH 2	
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement Hub Da Vinci (F13) Library Sports Hall 7-9 	Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Library
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Opportunities for Leadership

At Earnshaw State College, student voice and agency are embedded in our practices.

Students are encouraged to take an active role in their learning and school community through leadership opportunities such as Student Council, Peer Mentors, Ambassadors, House Captains, Prefects and College Captains wellbeing weeks and college events.

International Programs



Our international program provides an opportunity for our students to participate in a range of cultural opportunities.

Our English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL/D) teacher, together with a dedicated team of teacher aides and support from the College's International Department, work collaboratively to ensure newly arrived students are well supported in accessing the curriculum.

Special Events



During the year we hold special events that students attend and perform at:

- Leaders and Scholars Assembly
- Harmony Day
- ANZAC Ceremony
- NAIDOC Assembly
- Book Week
- Awards Night
- Year 12 Formal
- Year 12 Graduation

Preparing Students for the Future



Our Junior Secondary program is designed to engage and inspire students to achieve their best.

Through a positive and supportive college culture, we build confidence, resilience and the skills needed for future success.

At Earnshaw State College, every student is supported to stay on track, academically, socially and emotionally, as they progress into their senior years and beyond.

Facilities











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Tuckshop

Opening hours: 8.00 am - 2.00 pm
Monday - Friday
Online ordering: Qkr.mastercard.com

Uniform Shop - School Locker

The School Locker - North Lakes

Opening hours
Tuesday 8.00 am - 10.00 am
Thursday 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Telephone: (07) 3490 1400

Bookshop

Opening hours: 8.00 am - 10.30 am
Tuesday and Thursday
(Also open Day 1 of each term)
Telephone: (07) 3621 7326

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