

Denison College of Secondary Education Bathurst High Campus



New Student Booklet

Safe Respectful Learners

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A Message from the Bathurst High Campus Principal

Welcome students and parents to the Bathurst High Campus of Denison College of Secondary Education and the Bathurst community. Our school provides a broad curriculum with well-established learning support structures to ensure that all students are supported to reach their academic potential. Bathurst High Campus has a highly skilled and committed teaching staff. Their focus is maximising the learning outcomes for every student.



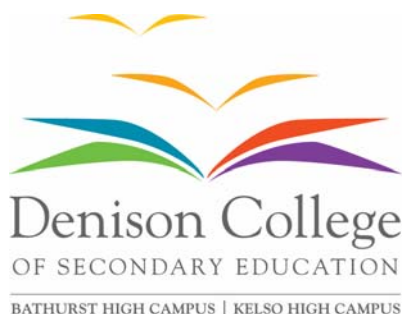
I have high expectations of all students at Bathurst High Campus as they strive to achieve their academic best. My aim is to work in partnership with all members of the school community to develop a learning culture where all students achieve success. I will endeavour to support teachers professionally in developing a generation of confident, innovative, creative and inspired learners who are responsible and productive global citizens. I expect that students will display the values we promote – honesty, integrity and tolerance.

I would encourage you to take advantage of the wide range of opportunities made available at Bathurst High Campus and I look forward to working closely with you and your teachers as you progress and develop at this outstanding school. Our school provides many cultural, social and physical learning opportunities through quality learning and assessment practices in a safe, respectful environment.

As principal I am proud of the ongoing commitment of our Year Advisers and Welfare Teams. Their level of care and compassion for their students is to be commended. Year Advisers provide the first point of contact for students and their parents in regard to welfare issues at school.

The staff at Bathurst High Campus take pride in ensuring we provide a quality education and I would encourage you to make the most of your time at our great school and set high goals for your own education.

Ken Barwick
Principal
Bathurst High Campus



A Message from the College Principal

Welcome to the award-winning Denison College of Secondary Education.

Denison College, which began operations in 2007, is a Year 7 to 12 College consisting of both the Bathurst and Kelso High Campuses. We are the largest provider of secondary education in Bathurst, with a total student enrolment of over 1800.

In addition to the regular staff at each campus, the College staff includes additional Executive Teachers who have specific responsibilities to support students to get the best possible experience out of their secondary schooling. This college team is responsible for the implementation of a range of initiatives designed to improve the educational experience for all students across the entire college.

Denison College is committed to providing a stimulating curriculum that meets both the present and future needs of students. The co-curricular activities for all students in Years 7- 12 are wide and varied due to an extensive range of staff, resources and facilities. This blend allows the two campuses to maintain their own unique identities, but with increased opportunities for students through the combined resources of the college.

Denison College has an expansive senior curriculum that is shared across both campuses and TAFE. This year, Denison College is offering over 90 courses for study in the senior years. Shared courses operate on Lines 3, 4, 7 and outside school hours. Through the *Future Directions* activities, students are given comprehensive support when selecting their courses and in adjusting their pattern of study.

Other programs supported by Denison College include the band and circus programs, and Iexplore/iLearn which support the transition of students from Year 6 into high school. We are also expanding our range of enrichment activities for students in the junior years (Years 7 - 10).

Our campuses are well-resourced and staffed by highly-capable, well-qualified specialist teachers who care deeply about providing the very best education for all children.

Craig Petersen

College Principal

Denison College of Secondary Education



Alexa Barr
**Head Teacher
Transitions
BHC**



Adria Hertel
**Head Teacher
Teaching & Learning
KHC**



Geoff Childs
**Head Teacher
Collaboration
BHC**



Wendy Murphy
**Head Teacher
Curriculum
KHC**

Deputy Principals



Nicholas Williams
Deputy Principal
Years 7, 9, 11



Angie Lee
Relieving Deputy Principal
Years 8, 10, 12

Head Teachers

Parents are welcome to contact Head Teachers regarding any aspect of the subject



Heidi Waldron
Administration
(Rel.)



Veronica Manock
Creative and
Performing Arts (Rel.)



Lesley Wade
English



Ilisa Newell
HSIE



Avril Sheader
Mathematics



Lachlan Blaikie
PDHPE (Rel.)



Rosie Weithaler
Science



Rebecca Smith
Support



Patrick Ford
TAS



Bethany Elliott
Learning & Engagement



Meg Windsor
Welfare (Rel.)

Student Advisers



Lachlan Blaikie
Year 7



Sarah Murray
Year 7



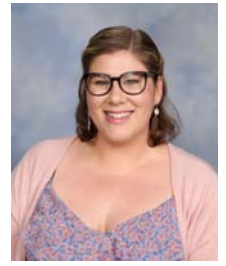
Jeanine Lawler
Year 8



Murray Rose
Year 8



John Millan
Year 9



Georgia Matthews
Year 9



Joe Hardy
Year 10



Sophie Thrower
Year 10



Eleanor Cloherty
Year 11



Sally Hennessy
Year 12



Josh Lawler
Year 12

Student Support

Student Advisers are staff members responsible for the academic and social welfare of students in their particular year. They work with a year group from Year 7 through to Year 12 and can be contacted by parents on any issue.

School Counsellor

The school counsellors work with students experiencing emotional and psychological difficulties and/or those in crisis situations. They are available from Tuesday to Friday and special appointments can be made by contacting the school. Students are free to make an appointment by going to the Counsellor's office in the Library at recess or lunch.

Learning and Support Teachers

Students requiring extra assistance work with our learning support teachers. works with parents and teachers to identify students requiring literacy and numeracy support and Special Provisions for examinations. They design and implement programs which address the problems experienced by individual students and work with small groups and in classrooms.

Anti Racism Contact Officer

This teacher is the contact between students, staff, parents and community members who wish to make a complaint regarding racism.

Careers Adviser

Our adviser works particularly with senior students to prepare them for their post school career. They are responsible for Year 10 Work Experience, Work Placement and Careers planning. They also liaise with employers, TAFE and University.

Boys & Girls Advisers

We have teachers available for boys and girls experiencing difficulties preventing them from doing their best at school. Referrals are usually from the Learning and Support Team and Deputy Principals.

Student Leadership

School Captains



Abbey Kemp

We would like to welcome you to Bathurst High Campus and wish that your time here is enjoyable. We hope your experience of our school is a positive and rewarding one, and encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities Bathurst High has to offer.

Best wishes from the Leadership Team



Brad Fearnley

School Vice Captains



Lydia Nichols



Emma Seligman-Maggs



Dylan Williams



Max Currie

Leadership Team

The Leadership Team is a group of elected Year 12 students who meet weekly with the Principal and Deputy Principals to determine events and other ways to support the school. The School Captains, Vice Captains and nine senior students, make up the Leadership Team.

Student Representative Council

The SRC comprises around 30 students from all years who are elected by their peers. There are four voting members for each Years group of 7 – 12. Together, the students represent the views of the student body in discussions with their team of advisers, executives, staff and parents.

The SRC – through its own committee structure – develops projects and activities to meet the needs of the student body and contribute to a positive school climate.

Sports Leaders

Senior students are elected to promote the performances of Bathurst High students in a range of sports including our annual Astley Cup contests with Dubbo and Orange.

Junior AECG

Are elected by our Aboriginal students to highlight issues that affect the Aboriginal students and promote Aboriginal culture and celebration.

Peer Support Leaders

Year 10 students who are selected for their outstanding qualities. They are instrumental in the Year 6 to Year 7 transition process. They meet with year 7 students in roll call to assist them with their concerns. They also attend our annual Year 7 camp.

Student Care and Support

Roll Call is at the start of every day, except Wednesday. In Roll Call time absence notes are collected and the Daily Notices read. Students also participate in Positive Behaviour for Learning lessons, literacy and numeracy activities. Students are supported daily with any particular issues by their Roll Call teacher.

First Aid – The First Aid Officer will contact parents/caregivers in an emergency if a student is unwell or has an accident. **Please ensure that all contact details are kept up to date.**

An ambulance will always be called when there are emergencies.

Medication - No medication is to be brought to school by students unless it is provided to the front office in a Webster Pack and appropriate paperwork has been completed. Teachers are informed of students with medical conditions and those requiring medication during the day to know to let them out of class. Panadol is issued ONLY if parents/guardians give verbal permission on the day or written permission which is kept on the school file.

Contact the office regarding the storage and administration of other daily medication.

Peer Support

The Peer Support Program helps new students settle into life at Bathurst High as smoothly as possible. Trained Peer Support leaders assist the transition from Year 6 to Year 7 by visiting the primary schools, running the Orientation Day, attending the Year 7 camp and conducting Peer Support sessions on the first day at school and throughout the year. They are also involved in the organisation of lunch activities for Year 7 students.

In addition to providing student assistance in how to find their way around and what to expect, the curriculum of the Peer Support Program aims to develop self-esteem and confidence and further skills in communication, group work, decision making, relationships and self-awareness. These Peer Support Leaders provide positive role models for Year 7 students and many continue their friendships throughout their time at Bathurst High.





Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Bathurst High Campus is a school where positive behaviour is recognised and celebrated through our Recognition System. The Student Representative Council and the Leadership Team play a key role in rewarding students for positive behaviour. The PBL logo (above) was the winning design from our student logo competition.

We explicitly teach positive behaviour to make sure all students and staff are safe, are respectful towards others and are able to learn and achieve.

Positive behaviour lessons are taught and behaviours are practised in Roll Call. For instance, keeping left in the corridors, lining up, staying in bounds, putting rubbish in the bin, speaking with appropriate language and being kind to each other. Signs are throughout the school to remind students of the focus behaviours.

Aboriginal Student Programs

Indigenous students at BHC have many opportunities. We participate in the Girri Girri Sports Academy, with students able to attend camps, excursions and work towards achieving specialist credentials, e.g. First Aid.

Bathurst High Campus representatives attend the AECG meetings and contribute to Aboriginal Education as a group in Bathurst. Our Aboriginal Education Team meets once every three weeks to plan and monitor student progress and initiatives to support indigenous students.

As a school we participate in events central to understanding reconciliation, culture and identity, such as NAIDOC Week and Sorry Day.



Parent Involvement

All parents are encouraged to participate in the work of these important organisations to benefit the children of the school. Research indicates that the more parents understand and are involved in the school the more successful their children will be in their educational endeavours.

Visiting our school

All parents and visitors are welcome and must go to the front office for assistance. Visitors must sign in.

Parents and Citizens Association

The P&C Executives are:

President	-	Carol Neary
Vice President	-	Vickie Osborne
Secretary	-	Trevor Liu
Treasurer	-	Michael Smith

The P&C meet on the 1st Wednesday of every month in the BHC Staff Common Room at 7:00pm. Meetings are friendly and finish at 9:00pm. The P&C are a consultation organisation that helps to set the school's annual priorities. and directions They also act as a feedback body for the college and campus principals. The P&C work together and ensure that participation is enjoyable.

Please come along and get involved - it is one of the best ways of supporting your child as they grow into young adults.

School Canteen

The canteen is open every day and the menu is based on Healthy Canteen principles. The menu and price list can be found on the Bathurst High Campus Website.

Students are encouraged to order their lunch before 8.55am to reduce waiting time.

BATHURST HIGH CAMPUS BELL TIMES 2019

Period	Mon, Tue, Fri	Wednesday	Thursday 1 Assembly	Thursday 2 Year Meetings
Roll Call	8:55am		8:55am	8:55am
1	9:05am	9:25am	9:05am	9:05am
2	10:00am	10:25am	9:50am	9:55am
Recess	10:55am	11:25am	10:35am	10:45am
Assembly			11:05am	11:15am
3	11:25am	11:55am	11:45am	11:45am
4	12:20pm	12:55pm	12:30pm	12:30pm
Lunch	1:10pm	1:55pm	1:15pm	1:15pm
5	1:40pm	2:25pm	1:45pm	1:45pm
6	2:30pm		2:30pm	2:30pm
End of day	3:20pm	3:20pm	3:20pm	3:20pm

Administration and Curriculum

Term Dates - 2019

TERM 1

School Development Day – no students	Tuesday 29th January 2019
Day 1 for Year 7, Year 11 Peer Support Leaders	Wednesday 30th January 2019
All Students	Thursday 31st January 2019

TERM 1 ENDS

Friday 12th April 2019

Term 1 School Holidays: Monday 15th April 2019 - Friday 26th April 2019

TERM 2

School Development Day – no students	Monday 29th April 2019
Whole school starts Term 2	Tuesday 30th April 2019

TERM 2 ENDS

Friday 5th July 2019

Term 2 School Holidays: Monday 8th July 2019 - Friday 19th July 2019

TERM 3

School Development Day – no students	Monday 22nd July 2019
Whole school starts Term 3	Tuesday 23rd July 2019

TERM 3 ENDS

Friday 27th September 2019

Term 3 School Holidays: Monday 30th September 2019 —Friday 11th October 2019

TERM 4

No School Development Day	Monday 14th October 2019
Whole school starts Term 4	

TERM 4 ENDS for students

Wednesday 18th December 2019

School Development Days for Staff	Thursday 19th & Friday 20th December 2019
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Term 4 School Holidays: Monday 23rd December 2019 - Monday 27th January 2020

Year 7 Book Pack Requirements

Book Packs are available from the Bathurst High Campus Front Office for a total of \$20.00 . The contents of the book pack meet the requirements for Year 7 and are listed below.

English	1 x 192 page A4 Exercise Book	Pencil Case
Science	1 x 192 page A4 Exercise Book	Red, Blue and Black Pens
History/ Geography	1 x 192 page A4 Exercise Book	Ruler
Technology	1 x 96 page A4 Exercise Book and 1 x A4 Display Folio	Sharpener
Integrated Studies	1 x 96 page A4 Exercise Book	Maths Set
PD/H/PE	1 x 96 page A4 Exercise Book	Eraser
Creative Arts (Drama, Dance and Music)	1 x 96 page A4 Exercise Book	Lead Pencil 2B

Additional Items Required (not available in book pack)

Maths	1 x 98 page A4 Grid Book \$1 these can be purchased from the Maths department or the front office. Calculator \$25 available from the front office.
Creative Arts	1 x Visual Art Diary A3 120 Pages available from the front office for \$9 .

Book Requirements for Students in the Support Unit (not available in book pack)

Life Skills Maths 2 x 128 pages	Life Skills HSIE 2 x 128 pages	Homework 1 x 96 pages	2 x red pens 1 x Glue Stick	1 x Pencil HB 1 x Eraser
Life Skills English 2 x 128 pages	Spelling 1 x 96 pages	Basic Skills 1 x 96 pages	2 x blue or black pens	1 x Wooden Ruler

School Contributions and Subject Fees

In many different ways every student uses the facilities of the school and in order to maximise the opportunities we offer, the school sets school contribution fees. This money is spent directly on enhancing the physical and educational facilities provided to all students. Fees can be paid off in full or by instalments each term. Credit card facilities are available at the office.

Technology Fee

This fee covers the costs of the development and access to Sentral, our Bathurst High School Stream app and the employment of a Technology Support Officer to assist with student devices.

Mathematics Textbooks

Each student must purchase an electronic text book for their device. This textbook is available offline. For students who find the cost prohibitive, a payment plan can be arranged or please talk to the Deputy Principals or School Principal if assistance is needed.

Online Payments

Bathurst High Campus now accept online payments through our school website. There is a 'Make a Payment' option at the top right hand corner of the home page. If you are unaware of the reference number for the excursion, please enter a description as best you can.

Student Assistance Scheme

Bathurst High Campus receives an allowance which is to be allocated to eligible families to assist with the cost of educating their children. The school will endeavour to provide assistance in response to specific requests from families. A parent or guardian requiring such specific assistance to cover such things as school uniform, textbooks, school excursions and stationery needs, should contact the Principal or Deputy Principals.

Years 7 and 8

Service Fee	\$50.00
Technology Fee	\$40.00
Visual Art	\$20.00
Mandatory Technology	\$45.00
Digital Maths Textbook	\$30.00
Total	\$185.00



Years 9 and 10

Service Fee	\$50.00
Technology Fee	\$40.00
Digital Maths Textbook	\$30.00
Elective Fees	See over page

Years 11 and 12

Service Fee	\$50.00
Technology Fee	\$40.00
Elective Fees	See over page

Band \$30 per term

Instrument Hire \$120 per year

Vocal Group \$20 per year



Payment of Elective Fees



Many electives carry a subject fee. These fees cover the cost of materials used in class. If a student selects these electives they are expected to pay the fees. If they feel that they will not be able to pay these fees then they should choose electives with no fees. If parents/carers particularly want their child to do an elective but cannot pay the fees they should contact the Principal or Deputy Principals.

Year 9 and 10 Elective Fees

Subject	Fee	
Agricultural Technology	\$35	
Commerce	NIL	
Dance	\$20	Students may have to purchase costumes for performances
Drama	\$30	Students may have to purchase costumes for performances
Elective History	NIL	
Engineering Technology	\$40	
Food Technology	\$100	Students will eat food they prepare on a regular basis
Information & Software Technology	\$20	
Information Technology (VET 100hr)	\$20	Students can only elect to do this course in Year 10
Japanese	\$20	
Metal Technology	\$50	Students may have to purchase additional materials for major works
Music	NIL	
Photography, Digital Imaging & Film	\$60	Students will use chemicals and photographic paper
Photography Film	\$40	Student can only elect to do this course in Year 10
Physical Activity & Sports - Coaching and First Aid	NIL	
Retail Services (VET 100hr)	NIL	Students can only elect to do this course in Year 10
Rural Operations (VET 100hr)	\$25	Students can only elect to do this course in Year 10
Physical Activity & Sports – Outdoor Education (100 hour)	NIL	Students can only elect to do this course in Year 9
Timber Technology	\$50	Students may have to purchase additional materials for major works
Visual Arts	\$55	Students will be required to purchase materials for major works
Visual Design	\$55	Students will be required to purchase materials for major works

Please Note: For Technology subjects, students must wear appropriate personal safety equipment. Students will be advised of the specific needs of each subject at the beginning of their course.

Appropriate footwear: Fully enclosed shoes with a leather or heavy vinyl upper material.

Distance Education courses incur a \$50 fee per course per year payable to the School of Distance Ed. This fee is not refundable.

Years 11 and 12 Fees



Construction (VET) (Preliminary)	\$50*	Music 2	\$20
Dance	\$20	Photography, Video & Digital Imaging	\$60*
Design & Technology	\$30	Primary Industries (VET)	\$25
Drama	\$20	Science – Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Senior Science, Earth & Environmental Science	\$20
Entertainment Industry (VET)	\$40	Software Design & Development	\$20
Exploring Early Childhood	\$20	Sport, Lifestyle & Recreation	\$20
Food Technology	\$50	TAFE courses	\$45
Furniture Industry	\$50*	Textiles Technology (Preliminary)	\$40*
Hospitality Commercial Cookery Hospitality Food & Beverage (VET)	\$100	Textiles Technology (HSC)	\$20
Industrial Technology Graphics	\$20	Visual Arts	\$60*
Industrial Technology Multi-media Year 11	\$20	Construction (HSC)	\$50
Industrial Technology Timber (Prelim)	\$50*		
Industrial Technology Timber (HSC)	\$25*		
Information Technology (VET)	\$15		
Information Processes & Technology	\$20		
Metal & Engineering (VET)	\$35*		
Music 1	\$20		

*** Please note: Materials for projects extra**

Mobile Phone Policy

This is available upon request. Listed below is the summary.

At Bathurst High Campus:

1. Students may bring a mobile phone. This is a privilege not a right.
2. In class, mobile phones must be out of site and turned off. Using the phones as a clock is not acceptable.
3. Mobile phones are excellent learning tools and some teachers may ask you to use them as such. In that case it is permissible for the phones to be out and used for the learning activity only.
4. The contents of your mobile phone must be made available if a teacher has reason to believe that its contents indicate a breach of any of the school rules such as the anti bullying policy or the digital material policy.
5. All mobile phones are brought to school at the student's own risk. The school accepts no responsibility for damage, theft or loss of any sort.

What happens if I misuse the phone?

1. If a phone is seen by a teacher the teacher can confiscate the phone. It will be kept in a safe for the rest of the day and you may collect it after 3:20.
2. If a phone is not handed over upon request, the teacher will send you to the principal or deputy principal where the mobile phone must be handed over for the day.
3. Any failure to comply at this stage may result in suspension
4. Repeated breaches could result in the privilege of bringing a mobile phone to school being withdrawn.

Homework

In keeping with the Department of Education and Training guidelines, students are given set homework regularly in all subjects. This homework is usually sent through the Google classroom and students can use their online Google Calendar to record it. The type of homework will vary from subject to subject but one common feature is that all students are encouraged to spend a good proportion of their time in review and consolidation of work presented during lessons. The set homework will be reviewed and supervised by teachers in lessons. A student focus on success in assessment tasks is a vital part of secondary homework.

Student Advisers are available to offer guidance to students in establishing a regular homework and home study program.



Learning Resources

The Learning Commons (Library)

All students are welcome in the Library. The library has a wide range of recent fiction including Manga. The library now only keeps non-fiction that is recent and of general interest. Research needs are met by online resources. Students can access the internet using their own device or library laptop or tablet. Year 7 classes receive an Information Skills Lesson one period a fortnight that covers learning a broad range of skills using technology and the internet to acquire and present information.

In 2014 the library established an eBook lending platform that enables students to borrow books on any WiFi enabled device at school and elsewhere. More books should be added to this platform in 2017. Instructions for accessing the platform are included with the regular school newsletter and on our web page.

The library is restructuring to create a new range of learning spaces. It will be called a Learning Commons. These spaces include a lounge area for reading and using mobile devices, mezzanine levels for senior students, a flexible learning area that can be re-arranged according to learning needs, and a space for seminars. The “Connected Classroom” continues to be situated in the library. It allows students and teachers to use videoconferencing facilities to communicate remotely for debates, meetings, conferences and virtual tours.

Student Budget Allocation Report (SBAR) and Enrolment Form Information

As part of your enrolment at Bathurst High, parents and carers will be asked to fill in an enrolment form. The information on this form must be correct and truthful to the best of a parent’s knowledge. If information is withheld on mandatory sections such as any past history of violence then the enrolment will be declared as null and void. The student will no longer be enrolled at Bathurst High.

In addition, there is non mandatory information on parent and carer education levels, the nature of their work, Aboriginality and any other languages spoken at home. While I understand the hesitation some people may have in sharing this information, it is this information that is used by the government to fund the school. There are strong privacy provisions about the use of this information but the funding process involves the aggregation of data that is made available by parents and carers. By making this information available, through its effect on school funding, parents can assist their child directly. Please consider filling in this information.

A Brief History of Bathurst High Campus

Bathurst High School was opened on 1st October 1883 and was housed in Public School buildings in Howick Street, until closed down in 1898. In 1905 a District School was established and a new High School replaced this in 1913. Later, the State Education Department purchased the All Saints site “on the hill” for a new high school. Plans were completed in 1926 for the building costing 29,000 pounds which was completed and officially opened on 24 May 1927. In 2011 the Trade Training Centre was built. The subjects the school offered in 1927 were designed to give a knowledge of professional and commercial activities. As Bathurst High Campus of Denison College of Secondary Education, we offer an extensive curriculum, unmatched by similar schools, with our partner campus Kelso High, TAFE and Charles Sturt University.

In 2008 we celebrated our 125th Anniversary. Established at the same time as Sydney Boys’ High School and Goulburn High School, Bathurst High School was one of the first secondary schools established in New South Wales. We have a proud history of graduates who have significantly contributed to society and who have been pivotal in Australia’s history in a wide range of fields.

Gifted and Talented Programs

Academically Talented Class Year 7—Parents, Primary Schools and students nominate for this class and are selected for placement by a panel. Teachers are specifically trained to work with this class. There is also an Academically Talented class in Year 8. Class placement is determined from achievement in Year 7. In Year 9 and 10 talented students are identified for individual subjects.

Students at Bathurst High can also be members of the Aurora College Virtual Selective High School. For more information please ask at enrolment.

English	Mathematics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> —English and Various Writing Competitions 7-12 —Public Speaking/Debating 7-12 —Junior Press 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> —Australian Mathematics Competitions —Australasian Mathematics Assessment —Catering for individual needs —Acceleration programs
HSIE	Technology and Applied Studies (TAS)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> —Junior Geography Project with GTA competition —Discovering Democracy Competition —Money Stuff Competition —ASX Share Game 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> —Australian Computer Competition —Young Designer Award —Young Country Achievers —Royal Bathurst Show-Animal Nursery —Talented Agriculture Student —Solar Cars (UNSW) —Robotics Competitions
Creative Arts	Science
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> —State Dance Festivals —Class Performances —State Drama Festivals —Bands, Rock, Stage, Concert, Swing Factor —Ensembles —Vocal Groups —Art Exhibitions —School Spectacular —Rock Eisteddfod —Drama Productions —School Musical —Bathurst Art Gallery —Bathurst Eisteddfod 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> —Science Youth Forum (Year 11) —Science Competition —Iexplore Year 5 Science
PDHPE	Other Opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> —Combined High School Teams (CHS) —Open & Under 15 Teams To District, State and National levels —Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country. —School Fun Run —Astley Cup 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> —Christian Studies —Koori Career Program —School to Work Planning —Rural Fire Service —TAFE Courses —CSU Programs —Outdoor Education Programs —Transition Programs —Learning Support Programs —Peer Support Programs





Policies



Student Safety, Respect and Learning

Our policies and programs are designed to make the school a safe, stimulating and happy environment for all students. This means that each student is treated individually and we emphasise fixing up mistakes rather than punishment. Through Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) students learn how to follow our school rules for safe, respectful learning. Students are taught to accept responsibility for everything they say and everything they do. The Learning Support Team also discusses students who may be having problems and works out solutions to help solve those problems. Recommendations can be made for referrals to special programs in the school and support services outside the school.

Bathurst High Campus is a school where all students learn and achieve.

Everyone has the right to learn.

Everyone has the right to feel confident and safe.

School Code of Behaviour

Every school member is responsible for their own behaviour.

The school rules outline acceptable standards of behaviour which apply at school, on excursions and for every school activity.

Posters are in all classrooms to remind students of our expectations.

Respect Yourself and Others	Act Safely at All Times	Be a Responsible School Citizen
Are you speaking courteously and respectfully?	Are you in the right place?	Are you punctual and on time?
Are you allowing other people to express their beliefs and feelings in an appropriate manner?	Are you listening to and following all teacher instructions?	Are you prepared?
Are you acting appropriately?	Are you invading others' personal space?	Are you on task and working productively?
Are you considering others before you speak?	Are you wearing the appropriate school uniform?	Are you respecting the property of the school, others and yourself?
		Are you resolving conflicts in a sensible manner?

Students must not:

- Discriminate, harass, be offensive or interfere with others.
- Use rooms or equipment without permission.
- Bring dangerous weapons, objects or substances (drugs, tobacco or alcohol) to school.
- Bring offensive material to school.

Playground Rules

Students must consider the safety and welfare of others at all times.

Responsibilities of Students

- Keep the playground clean
- Report any issues/problems to the teacher on duty
- Stay in bounds
- Students use the canteen or bring their own food, not bring takeaway food onto the grounds.

All ball games are to be played on the oval except for:

- Handball which may be played on the marked courts on the quad
- Basketball on the quad.
- The tennis court which may be used for ball games.



Out of Bounds Areas

- Beside the hall next to Piper Street
- Behind the Piper St and Keppel St buildings
- On the terraces
- Inside the buildings
- Behind the shed on the oval

Student Advisers will inform students of the

Student Responsibility and Recognition

Positive Recognition

Students are recognised for their quality work, effort and improvement and commitment to outstanding behaviour. Positive recognition is regularly placed on our Millennium system and positive letters are sent home to parents and students.

Vivo

In 2017, our school launched a new online recognition system called “Vivo” to the students. Vivo is a recognition system that acknowledges and rewards students for all the good things they do in the community and in the school.

Commendation Ceremonies

Commendation Assemblies are held at the end of each semester to celebrate student success in the classroom. An additional assembly is held in Term 1 for Year 7. At these assemblies students receive recognition and commendation awards for success and achievement, including excellent attendance. Students are also recognised at Year Assemblies for excellent work. Parents are invited to attend.

Principal’s Commendation Awards

Principal’s Awards are given to students demonstrating outstanding effort, improvement and/or excellence in their reports.

Building Responsibility

At Bathurst High every student is responsible for his/her own behaviour. Every student is expected to display positive co-operative behaviour throughout the year. Classroom teachers deal with behaviour issues, however, if misbehaviour persists the following consequences are put into place:

Monitoring Card Systems - We have a variety of monitoring card systems to teach students to be safe, respectful learners. These include the Red Monitoring Card and Green Monitoring Card. Parents are informed when students are placed on a monitoring card.

After School Detention – This is held from 3.30 – 4.20 pm Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Students are supervised by the Principal or Deputy Principals. Students are put on after school detention by Head Teachers in response to serious or repeated transgression of school rules.

Head Teacher Isolation – Students must satisfactorily complete a day on Head Teacher Isolation with a Head Teacher and/or senior class. They work individually on their school work and come to a resolution regarding why they were taken out of class.

Suspension – The school uses suspension as a last resort where the student needs time to reflect on their behaviour or to give the school time to put in place individual support.

Students may be suspended for:

- Extreme insolence
- Persistent disobedience
- Physical violence
- Possession of a weapon/illegal substance
- Violent behaviour including verbal and physical assault
- Students return from suspension with an interview with parents and the Deputy Principal or Principal. Students are placed on a Monitoring Card and attend Red Card Roll Call so they can be individually supported upon their return to school.

NOTE: Students cannot represent the school while they are on a Red Monitoring Card.



Bullying and Harassment

At Bathurst High Campus we aim to:

- Recognise and prevent bullying and harassment
- Deal with bullying and harassment if it occurs
- Provide support

At Bathurst High Campus, all students, staff and visitors have the right to:

- Expect an environment conducive to safe, respectful learning.
- Have their property respected by others.
- Expect a learning environment free from disruption, so that each student has the opportunity to do their very best.

The issue of bullying and harassment is serious and can affect children's' learning. It is an issue we take seriously. The school provides support for victims and social skilling for bullies.

We work hard to create a climate where it is all right to report, and victims know they will be supported.

When your child is the victim:

Young children are pretty open with their parents when they are being bullied. As they grow older they are often ashamed to let their parents know. They may feel that the bullying and teasing is justified. Or they may believe it is up to them to deal with the problem. They worry that if they tell their parents it would prove that they can't stand up for themselves, and they would risk being picked on more. As well, some children, through no fault of their own, seem to attract bullying and teasing, and easily become trapped in a vicious cycle.

Warning Signs:

- Feeling unpopular - "No-one likes me" or "No-one will play with me."
- Excuses to get out of school – especially feeling sick or headaches.

What Should You Do:

- Don't over-react. Hear your child out. Support, comfort and listen. What might seem a little thing to you may be a huge issue to the child.
- Talk to your child about ways to deal with the bully, e.g., positive thinking, walk away, ignoring, talking to teachers. Please don't encourage a violent response.
- If the bullying persists contact the school Student Adviser.

School Procedures for Dealing with Bullying Incidents:

- Teachers take all complaints seriously and act on them.
- Students complete a Bullying/Harassment incident form.
- Mediation occurs with the students and a teacher, their Year Adviser, the School Counsellor or an anti-grievance officer.
- If the bullying and harassment is not resolved parents will be informed.
- If bullying persists disciplinary action will follow.

Our Core Values

At Bathurst High we recognise the importance of the following core values to the community. These values represent the aspirations and beliefs of the Australian community as a whole, including its concern for equity, excellence and the promotion of a caring, civil and just society. They are common to a range of secular and religious world-views and are found in most cultures.

INTEGRITY

Being consistently honest and trustworthy.

EXCELLENCE

Striving for the highest personal achievement in all aspects of schooling and individual and community action, work and life-long learning.

RESPECT

Having regard for yourself and others, lawful and just authority and diversity within Australian society and accepting the right of others to hold different or opposing views.

RESPONSIBILITY

Being accountable for your individual and community's actions towards yourself, others and the environment.

COOPERATION

Working together to achieve common goals, providing support to others and engaging in peaceful resolution of conflict.

PARTICIPATION

Being a proactive and productive individual and group member, having pride in and contributing to the social and economic wealth of the community and the nation.

CARE

Concern for the wellbeing of yourself and others, demonstrating empathy and acting with compassion.

FAIRNESS

Being committed to the principles of social justice and opposing prejudice, dishonesty and injustice.

DEMOCRACY

Accepting and promoting the rights, freedoms and responsibilities of being an Australian citizen.



School Uniform Policy

The school community has determined that Bathurst High is a uniform school and the uniform is designed to be flexible, affordable and easy to wear. The variety of uniform that can be worn means that it can be used for both sport and in-class lessons.

All uniform is available through the Bathurst High uniform shop. If parents and carers wish to discuss any uniform issues, for example, conflicts caused by religious beliefs, then please contact the Campus Principal.

Senior and Junior Uniform

Bathurst High has a slightly different uniform for Year 11 and 12 students. The senior uniform has a different polo shirt and hoodie so that students in Years 11 and 12 are easily recognised by teachers and members of the public if they are outside the school as part of their Senior Agreement. This uniform also identifies them to the canteen so they can buy food outside regular recess and lunch breaks.

Shoes

Footwear should be either black school shoes or black or white joggers. In some practical subjects students must wear **protective work boots**. See TAS Footwear Guidelines below.

Formal vs. everyday uniform

If your child is playing in school bands, enjoys public speaking, is considering standing for the SRC or leadership team, or is representing the school at functions and events other than sporting occasions, then students are expected to wear formal uniform.

In addition many students enjoy wearing formal uniform on occasions which is encouraged. Ties and blazers can be borrowed from the administration office for one off occasions. All other formal uniform is available from the BHC Uniform Shop.

Failure to Wear School Uniform/What If You Don't Have Uniform?

Failure to wear school uniform is acceptable only for a short period of time. An Out of Uniform slip will be handed out in roll call before the start of normal lessons. Students must show this slip to any teacher who asks for it during the day. The Deputy Principal will contact parents if frequent non uniform slips are issued to seek and explanation.

What happens if I don't get an out of uniform note?

To deliberately disobey the rule about uniform will result in students being subject to the same consequences where students do not follow other rules.

Uniform Assistance

If parents or students have financial problems which affects the purchase of uniform, financial assistance is available. Please contact the Principal or Deputy Principals.

TAS ELECTIVE FOOTWEAR GUIDELINES

We all need to play a part in ensuring student safety at school. A TAS priority is to follow and maintain good safety practices within the faculty.

All students who have elected a TAS subject with the exception of computing subjects must wear appropriate footwear for practical activities.

Footwear such as open weave cloth type shoes, shoes with openings at toes or heels, platforms or high-heel shoes cannot be worn in a workshop, kitchen or agricultural area. They present a potentially hazardous situation. It's important that parents or guardians ensure that these requirements are met.

Appropriate footwear appropriate to practical activities must be worn. Fully enclosed shoes with a leather or heavy vinyl upper material are preferred.

Bathurst High Campus Uniform Shop

All uniforms can be purchased from our Uniform Shop located on Piper Street on our school block. EFTPOS is available. Cheques are not accepted and there is not an option to layby.

Uniforms can be purchased online through daylightsportswear.com/bathurst and can be picked up from the uniform shop within the business hours listed below.

Opening Hours:

Tuesday 8:30am—11:30am

Thursday 1pm—4pm

* Please check the school website, facebook page or School Stream app for opening hours during the school holidays.

Girls Everyday Uniform Years 7-10

Polo shirt: White or Navy with BHC emblem.

Shorts: navy (no stripes or logos)

Track pants: navy (no stripes or logos)

Hoodie: Navy with light blue lining in hood with BHC emblem.

Socks: White

Shoes: Black School Shoes or white or black Joggers.



Boys Everyday Uniform Years 7-10

Polo shirt: White or Navy with BHC emblem.

Shorts: navy (no stripes or logos)

Track pants: navy (no stripes or logos)

Hoodie: Navy with light blue lining in hood with BHC emblem.

Socks: White

Shoes: Black School Shoes or white or black Joggers.



Girls Everyday Uniform Seniors Years 11-12

Polo Shirt: White with navy panels and collar with BHC emblem, or Navy with white panels and BHC emblem.

Shorts: navy (no stripes or logos)

Track pants: navy (no stripes or logos)

Hoodie: Navy with gold lining in hood, two gold stripes on the arm with BHC emblem.

Socks: White

Shoes: Black School Shoes or white or black Joggers.



Boys Everyday Uniform Seniors Years 11-12

Polo Shirt: White with navy panels and collar with BHC emblem, or Navy with white panels and BHC emblem.

Shorts: navy (no stripes or logos)

Track pants: navy (no stripes or logos)

Hoodie: Navy with gold lining in hood, two gold stripes on the arm with BHC emblem.

Socks: White

Shoes: Black School Shoes or white or black Joggers.



Girls Formal Uniform

Shirt: White, short or long sleeve with BHC emblem

School Tie

Skirt: Navy 4 pleat

Jumper: navy wool with BHC emblem

Blazer: available for loan at the school office

Socks: White

Tights: Navy

Shoes: Black School Shoes



Boys Formal Uniform

Shirt: White long sleeve with BHC emblem

School Tie

Trousers: Navy with front pockets.

Jumper: navy wool with BHC emblem

Blazer: available for loan at the school office

Socks: Black

Shoes: Black School Shoes



SCHOOL UNIFORM: Note the emblem is royal blue and gold.

Roll Checks and Absences

Rolls are marked at 8:55am each day in Roll Call. A written explanatory note signed by parents or caregivers for any student absence is required. Class rolls are marked every lesson. Please contact the front office on 6331 3755 if your child is going to be absent.

Leaving the school

To get permission to leave school early for appointments (Doctor, Dental, Travel, etc.) please report to the front office before 8.55 am on the day with a note from a parent. Students without a note from parents will not be granted leave under any circumstances.

Absence and Lateness

When a student is absent from school, Department regulations require that a note, signed by the parent/caregiver, **MUST** be supplied stating the reason for the absence. The note must be given to the office or roll call teacher **within 3 days** of the student's return to school. An absence note can be sent via the School Stream app.

Students arriving late to school after 9:05am must report to the office to sign in. No student will be admitted late to class without a late note from the main office. They **MUST** provide a satisfactory note of explanation from parents/carers.

Students who repeatedly report late for school and/or lessons, without good reason, are issued with an After School Detention and parents are contacted.

School Stream

There is a **FREE** app called School Stream located in your App Store/Play Store. Once you have downloaded it, select Denison College—Bathurst High Campus as a profile choice and press the plus button. This will allow you to start receiving notifications relating to the school including upcoming community events, Parent/Teacher nights, whether excursions are arriving on time and much more!

School Stream also allows you to submit absences and update any change of details you may have including addresses, phone numbers, emergency contacts or emails. The app also gives you direct access to the Sentral Parent Portal. This allows you to view your students attendance, timetable, assessment details and grades.

Parents are able to access information about their child by logging into the Parent Portal. Parents can view their child's behaviour profile, achievement in assessment tasks and attendance. The Parent Portal is an exciting BHC state-of-the-art initiative, that gives direct information on the running of the school and student performance. Parents should contact the front office to arrange access to the Parent Portal.

Attendance Issues

If a student has issues with their attendance eg truants class for a period or longer, then parents/caregivers will be informed. The student will then be placed on a **GREEN CARD**. They must have this card signed every lesson and by their parents/caregivers each night for a week. Students with chronic attendance issues will be referred to the Home School Liaison Officer or the Police and this may result in parent/caregiver fines a court case.

Lunch Passes

Due to the short nature of lunch (30mins) no lunch passes are available as students do not have the time to leave and return on time.

Emergency Procedures

During all emergencies, (e.g. fire) one continuous bell will be sounded and students are to follow the instructions of their teachers. Under teacher guidance, students will evacuate classes taking their bags with them as directed. The evacuation muster point is on the school oval.

We also have off site emergency assembly areas if necessary. Students will always be accompanied by their teacher.

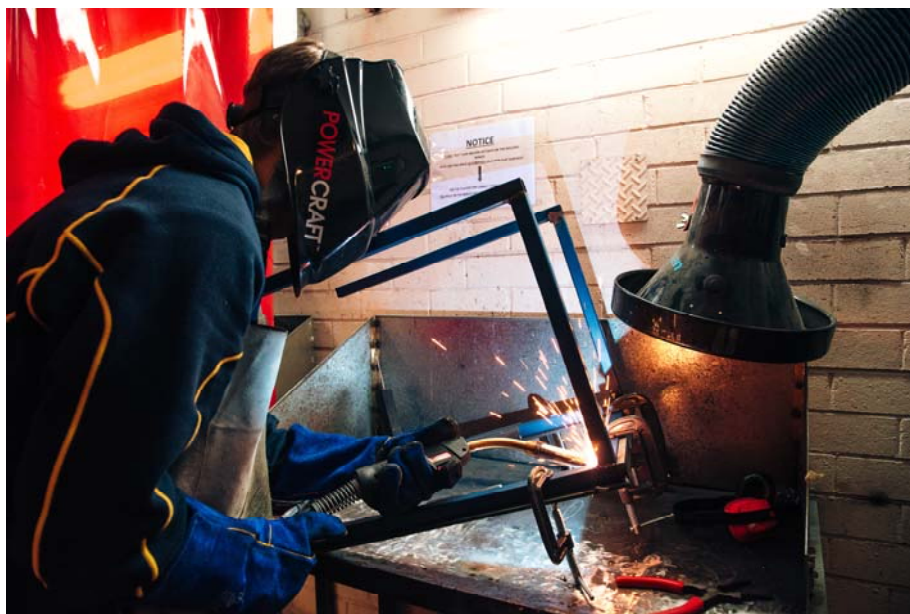
Contacting Your Child At School

Students are required to have mobile phones switched off and out of sight while in class. Failure to do so will result in the phone being confiscated and returned at a later date.

If you urgently need to contact your child during the day please contact the office. A message will be sent to them directly.

Mobile Phones

As a general rule mobile phones **MUST** be turned off and out of sight during class time. The school takes no responsibility for items lost at school. Students are encouraged to leave their mobile phones at home. In some cases teachers may use a phone as part of a lesson.



Notes