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Our Mission

TRINITY LUTHERAN COLLEGE IS A  
CHRIST-CENTRED COMMUNITY  
NURTURING AND EMPOWERING EVERY  
LEARNER TO SERVE OUR WORLD.

PERSONAL  
EXCELLENCE



# WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you will ever make. The authors of *No Time to Lose: The wellbeing of Australia's children* highlighted this recently when they wrote: "The school a child attends, its ethos and environment, teaching methods, and the range of developmental opportunities it provides, can have a dramatic effect on a child's learning and social development." Richardson, S., Prior, M.R. (2005) *No Time to Lose: The wellbeing of Australia's children*. Melbourne University Publishing, Melbourne.

As parents, you want the best for your child and you want them to achieve to the best of their ability. Trinity Lutheran College has an outstanding reputation in the Gold Coast community. We focus on building effective partnerships with parents to provide a comprehensive education of the highest quality, in an environment where a clear foundation of Christian values and care for each person are strongly emphasised.

Trinity is dedicated to addressing the learning and developmental needs of children throughout their school lives, from Early Learning to Year 12. We value the unique nature of every student and cater for their changing needs as they grow and mature, nurtured in a community of belonging. Our ultimate aim is that each young person is provided the opportunity to more fully realise his or her God-given potential in all aspects of life.

Prospective parents and students are invited to contact the Registrar for further information and discuss why Trinity Lutheran College is the right choice for you, your child and your family.

Welcome to Trinity, we look forward to meeting you.

**Mrs Tsae Wong**  
Principal



**MY TRINITY. MY CHOICE.**

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# A DISTINCTIVE APPROACH

## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION. LOVE FOR HUMANITY.

Trinity Lutheran College is a Kindergarten to Year 12 Christian co-educational college and an International Baccalaureate World School for the Primary Years Programme (PYP). It has an onsite Early Learning Centre, located in Ashmore on Queensland's Gold Coast.

**Trinity Lutheran College is a vibrant learning community which educates students as whole people to become discerning, compassionate, creative, balanced and resilient citizens of the 21st century.**

This vision, and focus on individual learning, is underpinned by the college's core Christian values which guide teaching and learning, relationships, and all that we strive for in the college.

### Trinity Lutheran College is committed to:

- An educational approach which embraces our Christian core values
- Excellence and high expectations in all aspects of school life
- The development of inquiring minds and learning as a lifelong process
- A spirit of cooperation, teamwork and service for an interdependent, interconnected world
- A broad range of educational opportunities
- Family and community partnerships
- Caring relationships and mutual respect within a restorative school culture
- The development of healthy self-confidence and self-reflection for the present and the future



**CENTRE OF ACTIVE LEARNING**

What we are is God's gift to us.  
What we become is our gift to God.

Eleanor Powell

Our Christian Core Values:

Compassion  
Service  
Forgiveness  
Trust  
Responsibility  
Respect  
Connectedness  
Thankfulness  
Celebration  
Empowerment  
Community  
Personal Excellence

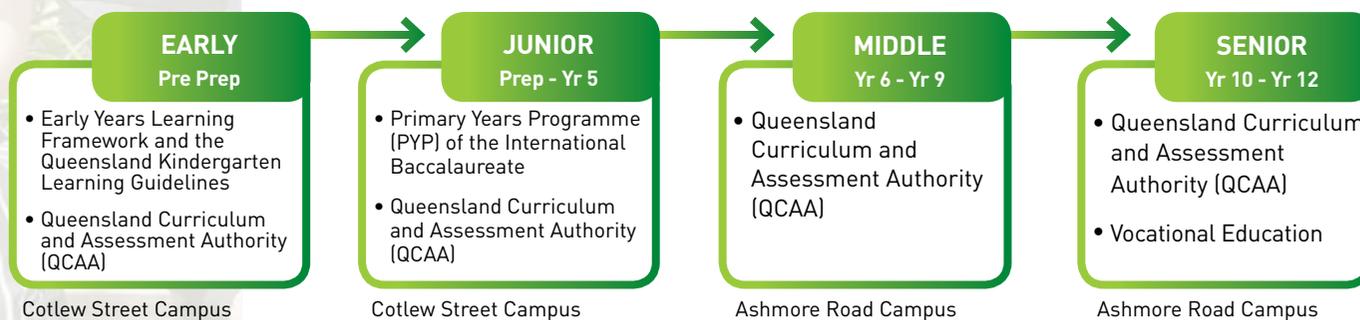


# YOUR TRINITY JOURNEY

## OUR EIGHT STEPS TO EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AND LOVE FOR HUMANITY

### At Trinity we believe students learn best:

- 1 When, through inquiry, they are actively involved in constructing their own understanding as part of their lifelong learning process.
- 2 When their learning is relevant and purposeful and connected to prior learning, developing self-confidence for the present and the future.
- 3 When learning is engaging, focused and learner-centred, offering a broad range of educational opportunities.
- 4 When they have opportunities to share and reflect on their learning, in a spirit of cooperation and teamwork.
- 5 When the curriculum is success-oriented and encourages individual excellence.
- 6 When, through caring relationships and mutual respect, the learning environment is responsive to students' needs.
- 7 When the family and community are involved in the educational partnership.
- 8 When lifelong learning employs a Gospel-centred approach.



**“I attended Trinity Lutheran College from Prep to Year 12. I loved every minute of it. Trinity really embraced a community atmosphere and I am still friends with so many past students from the college.”**

Ashleigh Bowers Trinity Graduate (Class of 2005) School Vice Captain,  
House Captain, Dux of Christian Studies



# UNIQUE TEACHINGS

TRINITY LUTHERAN COLLEGE IS ONE OF A SMALL HANDFUL OF INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) WORLD SCHOOLS IN QUEENSLAND.

**“The International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO) aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.”**

The IBO is motivated by a mission to create a better world through education and values a hard-earned reputation for quality, high standards and pedagogical leadership. The IBO promotes intercultural understanding and respect, not as an alternative to a sense of cultural and national identity, but as an essential part of life in the 21st century.

Trinity Lutheran College offers the IB Primary Years Programme (PYP) from Prep to Year 5.

#### IB Primary Years Programme

The Primary Years Programme (PYP) has a commitment to inquiry as the key vehicle for learning, through the development of relevant, engaging and challenging learning experiences.

As a school offering the IB Programme in the Junior Years we plan our framework for exploration and study with six trans-disciplinary themes.

**Who we are**

**Where we are  
in place and time**

**How we express ourselves**

**How the world works**

**How we organise  
ourselves**

**Sharing the planet**



# EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

(PRE-PREP)

## TRINITY'S LITTLE STARS KINDERGARTEN

Early childhood qualified teachers are responsible for the teaching in the Early Learning Centre, engaging the children with programming based on the Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guidelines and the Early Years Learning Framework.

We operate Little Stars Kindergarten 50 weeks of the year and match school hours for children 3½ to 4½ years old. Long Day Care for children aged 2½ to 3½ years old opens 50 weeks of the year from 7.00am – 6.00pm.

The high quality program is play-based but also offers specialist lessons in Japanese and Music, and features access to the Primary Years Program of the International Baccalaureate.

Our supportive and caring family atmosphere helps children develop a firm foundation to be socially, emotionally, academically and physically prepared for Prep and their learning years ahead.



An authorised International Baccalaureate school

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# JUNIOR YEARS

(PREP TO YEAR 5)

## LET THE JOURNEY BEGIN

Prep to Year 5 is located on our Cotlew Street campus, which is dedicated to the early years of learning. The campus features outstanding classroom technology and facilities as well as a heated swimming pool.

At Trinity, our Junior Years' teachers actively involve parents and maintain a supportive learning environment that reflects and teaches Christian values.

Our teachers promote best practice in the early years with a structured program which incorporates play.

The Junior Years is an authorised IB Primary Years Programme (PYP) school.



You're off to great places! Today is your day!  
Your mountain is waiting. So... get on your way!

Dr Seuss



You're braver than you believe,  
stronger than you seem and  
smarter than you think.

Christopher Robin



# MIDDLE YEARS

(YEARS 6 TO 9)

## YOU'RE ON YOUR WAY

Year 6 is the first year of middle schooling on the Ashmore Road campus which is home to our middle and senior years. Students in the middle years have their own dedicated buildings so that we can open up new learning opportunities by offering them greater choice in subjects and facilities.

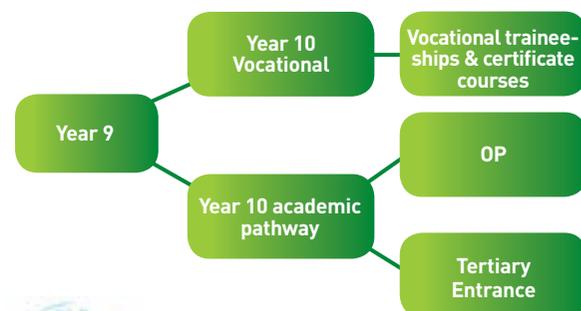
In the middle years our teachers understand the developmental characteristics that are typical of young adolescents, and provide effective learning and assessment strategies to teach the curriculum. We focus on an engaging teaching and learning program and provide learning environments that are inviting, supportive and safe.

We promote in depth learning and enhance students' physical and emotional wellbeing. We also encourage family involvement with strong home and school links.

Our programmes in the middle years build confidence, promote positive attitudes and behaviours and motivate students to achieve their best academically, socially, culturally and in sporting areas.

## CURRICULUM, PERSONALISED PATHWAYS DIAGRAM

Distinctive to Trinity are our personalised pathways to learning ensuring that by Year 10, the unique talents of students, whether it be academic, cultural or vocational, are nurtured through a dedicated path appropriate to their chosen form of education.



An authorised International Baccalaureate school

# SENIOR YEARS

(YEARS 10 TO 12)

## PREPARING YOUNG ADULTS FOR LIFE AFTER SCHOOL

Our senior school is situated on the Ashmore Road campus. Year 10 marks the beginning of senior schooling and provides additional opportunities for students to begin their best learning pathway through Year 11 and Year 12.

We work closely on career planning, academic monitoring and guidance to ensure each student is following a pathway that reflects their abilities and interests, whether academic, leading to Tertiary Entrance Rank or OP (Overall Position) and/or Vocational training.

At Trinity we care for the 'whole person' and we produce excellent academic results which reflect the unique talents and abilities of each student.



Go confidently in the direction of your dreams!  
Live the life you've imagined.

Thoreau



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# VELOCITAS FOR TALENTED STUDENTS

We all have God-given gifts. These natural abilities take many forms. At Trinity Lutheran College we believe in the provision of learning opportunities which will enrich and nurture the gifts of every individual in our care and empower them to reach their individual potential.

#### Programs for academically talented students

Velocitas is a clear strategy to meet the needs of intellectually and academically talented students by offering a range of challenging, age-appropriate learning experiences clearly focused on improving outcomes for these students.

#### Velocitas at Trinity includes:

- Advanced level music
- University links
- Velocitas English, Mathematics, Science and Humanities (classes from Year 6 and including Year 10)
- Advanced study of languages (Year 10)
- Extension English and Music (Year 12)
- Mentoring support
- Velocitas Sport
- Arts Centre for Excellence Program



Don't tell me the sky's the limit when  
there are footprints on the moon.

Steve Jobs

# BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

## CO-CURRICULAR

Life at Trinity offers an extensive range of extra-curricular activities. Participation in educational camps, tours and recreational activities builds school spirit and self-esteem.

### Our Co-Curricular Program includes:

- Camping and outdoor education
- Cultural activities - chess, debating, public speaking
- Sporting teams and events
- Visual Arts
- Performing Arts – drama, instrument tuition, bands, choirs, dance
- Leadership programs
- Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme
- House system



Nothing ever becomes real  
'til it is experienced...

John Keats



**“Year 10 camp was one of the most mentally and physically challenging events I have ever had to face. I don’t regret a single moment spent on camp and I would like to thank Trinity for including such a brilliant expedition in the curriculum.”**

*Alexandra Trickey, 2014 graduate*



# PERFORMING ARTS

TRINITY LUTHERAN COLLEGE IS RENOWNED FOR ITS OUTSTANDING PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM, DEDICATED TO EXCELLENCE ACROSS ALL ARTISTIC DISCIPLINES INCLUDING MUSIC, DRAMA AND DANCE.

Our comprehensive performing arts co-curricular program offers exceptional opportunities for students to explore their passion in the arts across Instrumental, Choral, Dance and Drama ensembles that rehearse each week across both campuses. Each ensemble is staffed by our highly passionate and experienced arts educators, catering for all ability levels from students starting on their artistic journey to highly experienced performing arts students. The college has also initiated an 'Arts Centre For Excellence' program that is designed to inspire, mentor and prepare students for a career in the arts with guest lecturers and workshops weekly. The performing arts co-curricular and Arts Excellence program is offered free of charge for all students enrolled at the college.

The college offers private and group instrumental lessons, drama lessons and dance lessons with specialist tutors.

The college is also proud to offer a performance based program, where varied performance opportunities occur for children involved in the program at several times throughout the year. These events have been organised into a 4 year rotating performance event program. The event rotation includes a major event featuring the entire program (Prep – 12) on a biennial basis. In alternative years we offer domestic and international tours, musicals, large scale concerts, eisteddfods, public performances, Twilight Concert series, Trinity Swings Jazz & Rock concert series, Future Stars Junior Years' concert, Middle and Senior Years' Music showcase, Dancefest, Drama Festival and more.

“The arts allow us to explore new worlds and to view life from another perspective,”

George W Bush

## JUNIOR YEARS

- Beginner & Junior Years' Bands
- Beginner Strings & Primary String Ensemble
- Junior Years' Choirs
- Glee Club & Boyz Crew
- Junior Years' Dance Ensembles
- Drama Club
- Private Instrumental, Vocal & Drama classes

## MIDDLE AND SENIOR YEARS

- Dance Ensembles – Locomotives, Danzantes, Express, Viva
- Choir Ensembles – College Choir, Musique Cantabile, Senior Vocal Group, Trinity Fusion
- Drama Ensembles – Junior Play, Intermediate Play, Senior Play, Drama Club
- Instrumental Ensembles – Concert Band, Wind Symphony, Big Band, Stage Band, Rock Band 1 & 2, Jazz Ensemble, String Orchestra, Middle Years' Strings, String Quartet
- Private and group Instrumental, Vocal, Drama & Dance classes



TRINITY - PERFORMING ARTS 2.0

# A SPORTING LIFE

## SPORTS

Students at Trinity enjoy a wide range of options when it comes to getting actively involved in sport. We thrive on keeping our young people engaged in regular sporting activities, benefitting their physical and mental health. Our coaches run challenging and rewarding training sessions, encouraging participation with energy and dedication.

There are opportunities available across the junior years for private tuition in tennis and a running club is available for students in Years 4 to 12.

**Competitive sport participation is an expectation for all students in Years 4 to 12.**

### Available sports are:

- AFL
- Athletics
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Cross Country
- Hockey
- Netball
- Rowing
- Rugby Union
- Soccer
- Softball / T-Ball
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Touch Football
- Volleyball
- Water Polo

## APS

Trinity participates in the Associated Private Schools (APS) competition. The APS engages eight local schools in team sports events for a competitive and good spirited competition.

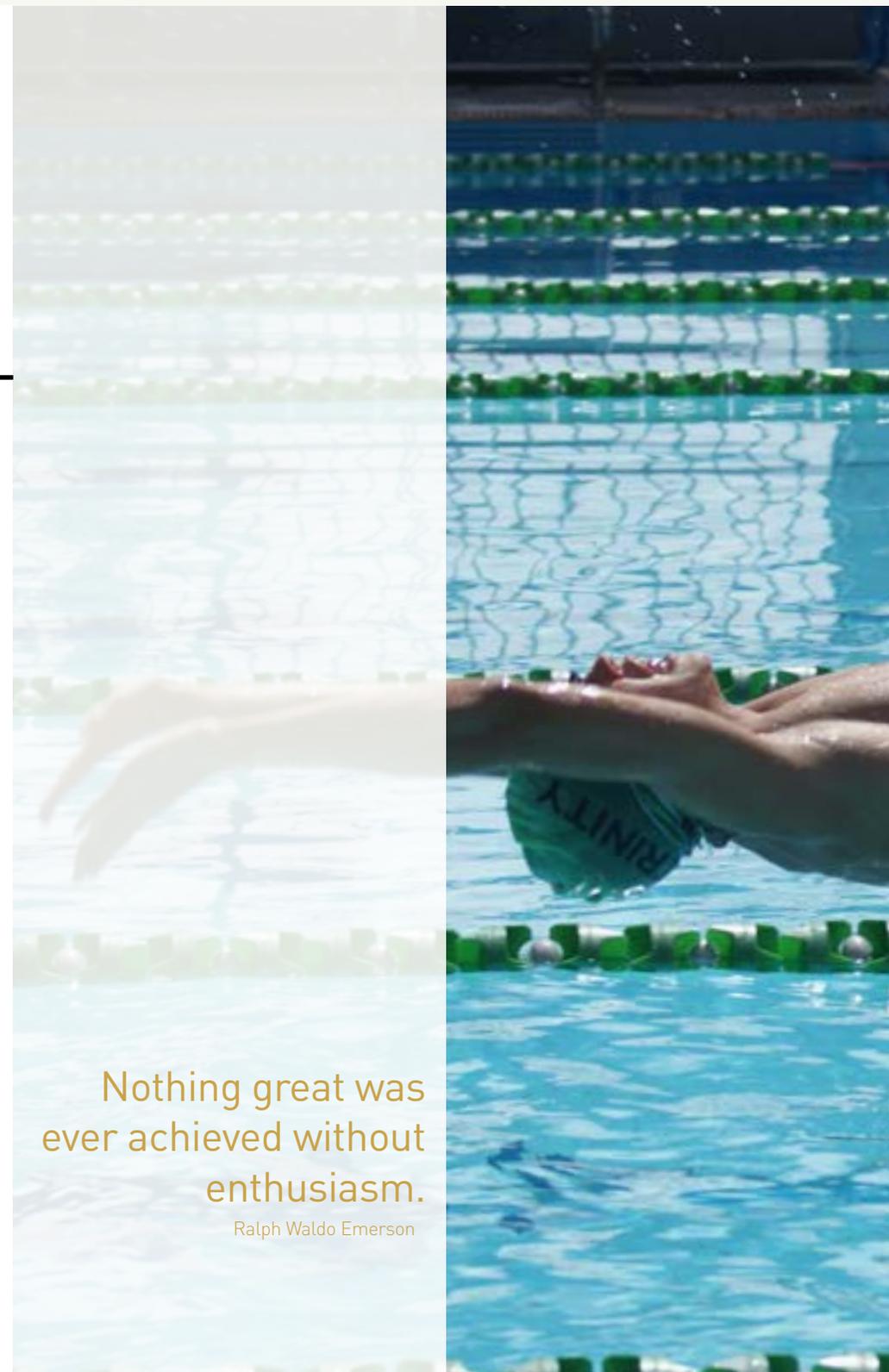
Trinity has a number of students who represent the college at regional, state and national levels. We are also involved in additional sports through district and regional sports associations.

## Velocitas Sports

Trinity offers a specialised pastoral care program for our elite athletes who train for many hours every week and compete at a representative level. This group meets regularly throughout the year with staff to monitor sporting and academic progress as well as prepare them for a career in sport after school.

## Sport Development Programs

Trinity also offers specialised programs in Water Polo and Triathlon. These programs cater for students who aspire to be the very best in these sports and are coached by highly qualified and exceptional external coaches.



Nothing great was  
ever achieved without  
enthusiasm.

Ralph Waldo Emerson



**TRINITY - SPORT 2.0**

# FACILITIES

## TEACHING AND LEARNING RESOURCES

Trinity Lutheran College has two campuses located close together in Ashmore on the Gold Coast. Our Early (Early Learning Centre) and Junior Years' (Years Prep to 5) campus is located at 251 Cotlew Street, Ashmore. Our Middle and Senior Years' (Years 6 to 12) campus is located at 641 Ashmore Road, Ashmore.

### Trinity Lutheran College maintains the following facilities:

- Two 25 metre heated swimming pools (one championship water polo standard)
- Three large performance/community spaces including The Trinity Centre, used for assemblies, worship and events, seating 700 plus; Cultural Precinct seating for 160; and the Robert Hoff Community Hall seating for 700 plus
- Modern air-conditioned classrooms
- High-speed wireless computer networks
- Dedicated Information Communication Technology (ICT) classrooms and 'Mac Lab'
- Touch screen computers, iPads and interactive smart-boards feature in our classrooms
- A superior indoor sporting complex with a gym – John Stapleton Sports Centre
- An outstanding design and technology centre – David Caldwell Trade Training Centre
- Each campus has a well resourced library
- Home Economics centre featuring an operational commercial kitchen and licensed training restaurant
- Comprehensive Visual Arts centre and facilities
- Performing Arts facilities featuring spacious Dance & Drama studios, advanced Music classrooms with a wide variety of instruments along with facilities for choir and band rehearsals and private tuition studios.
- Several well-equipped and resourced Science laboratories
- 4 sporting ovals, 6 tennis/basketball courts and extensive rowing facilities, resources and equipment
- Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) and Vacation Care for busy families
- Uniform shop
- Dedicated Trinity Lutheran College bus service
- Fully equipped 'Smart Choice' canteens on both campuses



# READY FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

## TECHNOLOGY

At Trinity we are engaging our students by using the latest mobile learning and technology products that are available. With high speed internet links at both campuses we can deliver e-learning initiatives including video conferencing, interactive learning modules, plus online collaboration with other schools in Australia and around the world.

From iPads to our popular 1:1 programs, we support flexible mobile learning environments. The college is committed to providing the latest technology tools to support the goals of education in a digital age.

Our website, [www.tlc.qld.edu.au](http://www.tlc.qld.edu.au) is a sophisticated resource for families and students. We also operate a school Learning Management System. This web-based information and learning platform provides 24/7 access to class materials, online collaboration areas, surveys, student notices and more.

Minds are like parachutes –  
they only function when open.

Thomas R. Dewar



# FAITH MATTERS

**“Trinity is a school that values community. The term ‘family’ is often used to describe the nature of the relationships of those within it. It could be said that at Trinity we don’t enrol the student, we enrol the whole family.”**

Meryl Siggs

(former parent, teacher, curriculum coordinator, Deputy Principal of Primary School)

## CHRISTIAN VALUES

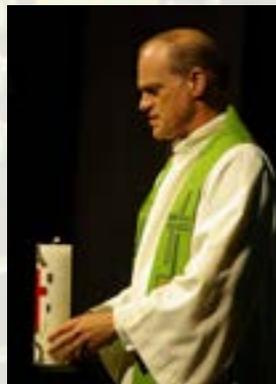
Trinity Lutheran College is a co-educational college owned and operated by the Lutheran Church of Australia, Queensland District. As a school of the church, it holds that its fundamental role is to offer students a sound and integrated education within the Christian tradition and to nurture a personal Christian faith.

Trinity offers a holistic educational experience founded in the Gospel, because it is our firm conviction that fullness of life is savoured within a Christian framework. The college’s very reason for being is to point students towards the forgiving and saving love of Christ.

Formal worship through involvement in chapel services led by students, staff and the college pastors occurs each week.

Parents and friends are always welcome to attend these services. Leadership and participation in more informal devotional activities occur within class and pastoral care group time, which further support faith and personal development.

We promote student wellbeing and pastoral care programs, and we focus on service learning which is “learning by doing”. The “doing” is providing a useful service to the community and the ‘learning’ is academic, assessable and requires intellectual inquiry and reflection. This is incorporated into a wide range of subjects.



## FIRST CLASS FACILITIES. A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES.



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Love for Humanity.**

