



SOUTH COAST
BAPTIST COLLEGE



PROSPECTUS

Rigorous Minds | Compassionate Hearts



WELCOME

South Coast Baptist College (SCBC) is a co-educational, private college catering for students from Childcare through to Year 12. Our College motto 'Rigorous Minds, Compassionate Hearts' reflects an intentional commitment to both content and character. Staff at SCBC are committed Christians, sharing a passion to see young people thrive and honour God in all areas of their life, especially academic pursuits.

With 30 years of experience, SCBC is well positioned to support, nurture and grow your child's gifts and talents, providing guidance and encouragement towards achieving University, TAFE or Apprenticeship aspirations. Our students are commonly known for their respect, integrity, resilience and concern for others.

Teachers are appointed on the basis of their excellence in teaching, academic success, professional experience and personal faith. All staff are actively engaged in on-going professional development to help inspire students of varying abilities and learning styles. In addition to teaching, staff bring experience and expertise into our school community from many other fields including engineering, administration, law, music, IT, health science, commerce, church ministry and communications.

We are proud of what the College has achieved over the past 30 years and excited about the next part of our journey. South Coast Baptist College is continuously investing in technology, facilities and programs to ensure our students are well resourced and carefully supported throughout their schooling.

SCBC is purposeful in maintaining a community that students feel valued and connected. They can sense the genuine care displayed by staff, the warmth of knowing they are valued, and the safety of a zero-tolerance approach to bullying. We are now seeing our graduates send their children through the school.

We also invite you to be part of community here at South Coast Baptist College.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Des. Mitchell".

Des Mitchell
Principal
(M.Ed.Man., B.Ed., Dip.Teach.)



OUR HISTORY

South Coast Baptist College has a rich history in the region. The School commenced in 1985 as Maranatha Christian College (which means Our Lord Come), as an initiative of Rockingham Baptist Church. The College was founded to provide Christ-centred education to families in the Rockingham region. In 1988 the first classrooms were opened at the Waikiki campus and the church auditorium was constructed. Throughout the years, as the College has grown, building works have continued. Recent additions include the Library and Information Technology Suites.

In 2012 the College was rebranded as South Coast Baptist College and the College uniform was redesigned. An experienced Perth firm was appointed to design a new Master Plan for the College that will be implemented over the next 15 years. Proposed additions to the College include a purpose built Visual Art and Technology Centre and Indoor Sports Facility.

OUR MISSION

Shaping Rigorous Minds and Compassionate Hearts.

OUR VISION

South Coast Baptist College is a thriving Christian community that inspires learning as a means of transforming and empowering lives.

OUR VALUES

Love, Vision, Truth and Knowledge.

FAITH COMMUNITY

The College is affiliated with the Baptist denomination which is the second largest Christian denomination in the world. Baptist congregations hold to the same beliefs as many other mainstream Christian traditions. Some well-known members of Baptist congregations include Rev. Martin Luther King Jnr, Rev. Billy Graham, President Jimmy Carter and Rev. Tim Costello.

College staff are in fellowship at a variety of Christian churches. South Coast Baptist College is committed to employing practising Christians who will reflect the Faith of the College. The College is an initiative of Rockingham Baptist Church and closely aligned with the Church and are both located at the same campus. Families who attend South Coast Baptist College are invited to attend services at Rockingham Baptist Church.

Families do not need to have a Christian faith to attend the College but must be supportive of the Christian ethos of the School. We see the Christian faith as central to the existence of our College and God as central to our lives. We incorporate Faith into every aspect of the College. Students are encouraged to participate in all areas of Christian life at SCBC and their own local church.



K - 12 CAMPUS FACILITIES

South Coast Baptist College is situated on a 7.4 hectare campus on Gngara Drive, Waikiki. The College is located less than two kilometres from the picturesque southern coastline. The campus offers facilities that cater for the needs of children from six months to Year 12. A purpose-built Childcare Centre is located on site, catering for up to 182 children and offering Long and Out of School Hours Care.

Kindergarten and Pre-primary facilities have been designed to meet the unique needs of the three to five year old age group. Large classrooms and additional shared learning and play areas provide students with an engaging and spacious learning environment.

The Primary School has 14 classrooms that cater for students from Years 1 to 6. Specialist learning areas include the Music Room, Art Room, Library and Auditorium which is utilised for gymnastics. The Secondary School offers generalist classrooms and many specialist learning areas including a Performing Arts Facility, Science Laboratories, state-of-the-art Information Technology Suites, a Food Science and Technology Kitchen and spacious Manual and Visual Art Workshops. Students across the College enjoy shared facilities including the library, canteen, sport fields, cricket nets, auditorium and basketball/tennis courts.



CHILDCARE CENTRE

Our Childcare Centre, is an award winning and highly rated service, a success grounded firmly in our commitment to developing positive relationships with children, families and the community.

Our passionate educators are known for their genuinely caring nature, which extends to each individual child in their care. Guided by the Early years Learning Framework and National Quality Standards, educational and fun programs are provided to meet each child's developmental needs. Interesting and purposeful environments inspire curiosity and exploration, where children can play, create, discover and learn - socially, emotionally, intellectually, physically and spiritually.

Before and after school and holiday care is also available for school aged children. Being connected to the South Coast Baptist College grounds makes pick up and drop off for school age children safe and convenient.

For more information about childcare or playgroup sessions at South Coast Baptist College please contact the Centre directly on 9540 4444 or childcare@sbc.wa.edu.au.



KINDERGARTEN AND PRE-PRIMARY

We understand that Kindergarten and Pre-Primary form a child's introduction to formal education. Students need to make both a physical and emotional adjustment to their new schedule. Due to the importance of this early exposure to school life, we cater for these age groups through carefully planned activities and play. Our teachers are employed based on their qualifications, experience and competence with this age group.

The curriculum in Kindergarten is based around the Early Years Learning Framework. This provides opportunity for child-centred investigation, exploration and expression of ideas. Pre-Primary is the foundational year for the National Curriculum. Our programming and reporting in Pre-Primary aligns directly to the teaching of required curriculum. Our facilities are designed to give students a physical environment that is engaging, spacious and functional. Facilities include large purpose-built classrooms, a kitchen, a central learning area and an expansive, fully fenced outdoor play area.

We encourage parent involvement in the classroom through special planned events and opportunities to volunteer. Students complete a portfolio of work throughout the year which informs parents of learning. Pre-Primary parents receive interim and end of semester reports on their child's progress throughout the year. Students attend Kindergarten for five full days per fortnight whilst Pre-Primary students attend fulltime. The College has adjacent childcare services for those families who require Out of School Hours Care, Long Day Care or Vacation Care.

PRIMARY SCHOOL YEARS 1-6

Primary School marks important years of social development. During these years students begin to form their own friendships, develop their skills in interacting and learn to relate to peers on their own without parents present. The 'culture' of the school is important in providing an environment free from fear and intimidation. Our College has no-tolerance approach to bullying and staff promote a culture of encouragement among peers. We want our students to enjoy their years at the College and we are purposeful in creating a school culture that facilitates this. Learning is enhanced when students are positive about their environment. This has been established in our Primary School.

Focus is placed on competent numeracy and literacy skills through consistent learning programs. Programs in spelling, reading, grammar and mathematics are well sequenced to ensure effective transition between year groups. Implementation of the Australian Curriculum has already commenced. Our programming and reporting in the Primary School aligns directly to the teaching of required curriculum in each year level.

Technology is widely incorporated into Primary classrooms. Wireless internet, interactive whiteboards and iPad are utilised by teachers and students to enhance the educational process. Students receive specialist Art, Computing, Sport, Music and Language (L.O.T.E.) lessons. Co-curricular programs allow students to develop their own interests in areas such as soccer, basketball, netball, computing, gymnastics, choir and chess.

Excursions and special events feature on the Primary Calendar. Events include Year 4 Entrepreneurs Day, Book Week with a character dress up day, the Year 5 Sleepover including two days of exciting activities and the Year 6 Camp featuring an itinerary of outdoor adventures. Parents can be involved in the Primary School in a number of ways including as parent help, attending assemblies, volunteering to support sporting teams and engaging in a variety of activities hosted by the School. Parents are regularly informed of their child's progress through interim and end of semester reports. Teacher/parent interviews are held in Semester 1 of each year. Teachers are always happy to meet with parents throughout the year.



A young man with dark hair, wearing safety glasses and a white lab coat over a blue shirt and tie, is looking down at a beaker containing a red liquid. He is in a laboratory setting with various pieces of equipment like a metal stand and a sink in the background.

SECONDARY SCHOOL YEARS 7 TO 12

The transition to Secondary School marks an important milestone towards mature learning. Students engage with a larger number of teachers and students across a variety of classes. Their learning becomes more self-directed, having opportunities to select subjects based on their goals and interests. Students develop in their critical thinking and ability to formulate and communicate their personal views. Physically, emotionally, intellectually and socially, Secondary School marks a phase of rapid development in student's lives.

Our Secondary College is equipped to support your child as they progress towards post-secondary destinations. We provide a dynamic learning environment that is constantly under review in our efforts to educate by world-class standards. Assistive tools including iPads and interactive whiteboards support classroom learning.

We offer a wide range of interesting courses. Lower Secondary Students take the core subjects of English, Maths, Science, Society and Environment, Bible & Christian Studies, Languages Other Than English (LOTE), Health Education, Information Technology and Physical Education. Elective subjects include Music, Art, Drama, Food and Nutrition, Dance, Computing, MDT Metals, MDT Wood, Robotics, Sport Recreation, Outdoor Education, Bike Education, Digital Media, Information Technology, Science environment, Learning Strategies.

Students from Years 11 to 12 choose from a variety of WACE university subjects and TAFE pathways. Subjects include English, English Literature, Human Biology, Maths, Maths Extension, Maths Specialist, Physics, Chemistry, Integrated Science, History, Geography, Engineering Studies, Politics and Law, Outdoor Education, Physical Education Studies, Visual Arts, MDT Wood, Applied Information Technology and Design Photography. Students also take Bible and Christian Studies, Study Skills and Physical Education. Our Vocational Education Program allows students to gain industry recognised qualifications / (certificates) including Music Certificate 2 & 3, MDT Metals Certificate 3 and Hospitality Certificate 2. Our aim is that graduating students leave with a clear pathway for further education or employment.

A young woman with long, wavy brown hair tied in a ponytail is sitting at a desk. She is wearing a blue and white checkered button-down shirt. She is looking intently at a laptop screen, with her hands on the keyboard. The background is slightly blurred, showing what appears to be a classroom or computer lab setting.

Each of our secondary year groups have a Year Level Manager who oversees their welfare. Students are able to get involved in the life of the College in many ways including the College Ball, Year 12 Graduation Dinner, camps, special events including personal development days and a host of co-curricular activities. We have a rich pastoral care program providing the services of both a Chaplain and Counsellor. Students benefit from our no-tolerance approach to bullying, cyber bullying, dangerous behaviour and illegal substances which provides them with a safe & positive environment in which to thrive.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

At South Coast Baptist College we are mindful that students need to be prepared for jobs that don't yet exist, using technologies that aren't yet invented. Within a global marketplace increasingly reliant on technology, we are striving to give our students the foundation they need to be competitive and engaged in their community, now and into the future.

Information learning technologies are incorporated into our classrooms including interactive whiteboards and Apple TV's. Teachers and students use these resources to display educational programs, Apps for learning and present digital information. School owned iPads integrate into teaching and learning from Pre-primary to Year 6. Students from Years 7 to 12 participate in our 1:1 iPad Program. Students in their secondary years at the College can expect to be working on projects that connect them globally. Secondary Computing students engage in Project Based Learning which encourages collaboration, communication and problem solving skills.

Programming, web design, iPad game development, robotics, mobile Apps, digital video and blogging are just some of the areas covered in computing subjects. Additionally, students design, build and fly drones, create models with 3D printers and develop 3D environments for the latest virtual reality technology. Students are offered Computer Science, Design Photography and Digital Media courses as part of the Digital Technologies Curriculum.

MUSIC

Music plays an important role in a child's development. At SCBC we give our students every opportunity to find their niche in our Music Department. Students in Kindergarten, Pre-Primary and Year 1 have the opportunity to come together in a small group setting for generalised music tuition involving games, songs and percussion instruments. These classes give the students entry-level theoretical knowledge, allowing them to then go on to learn an instrument of their choice.

Students in Primary School attend music lessons for one period each week to learn basic notation and rhythm with a variety of instruments, songs and games. Once students reach Year 4 they are invited to join the Primary School Choir. Our Choir performs at assemblies, choir festivals and special College events including the end of year Presentation Evenings.

Secondary Students are given a variety of opportunities to be involved in Music. Students from Years 7 to 8 spend one period each week in our IT Music Lab using the Sebelius program to learn notation and composition. Students in these years also have the opportunity to take part in one of our Performing Arts electives: Music, Vocal or Drama. Students in Years 9 to 12 have the option of studying towards a Certificate I, II and III in Music as part of our VET courses. These qualifications aid students who may want to further their music studies at university.

All students from Kindergarten through to Year 12 have the opportunity to take part in the College's Music Tuition program. We have highly experienced tutors who teach piano, keyboard, drums, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, guitar and voice. There is an additional cost for this private tuition. The College offers co-curricular music groups which meet once a week outside of normal school hours. Our Jazz Ensemble plays at many assemblies and special College events and caters for students in Years 7 to 12. We are currently in the beginning stages of offering Primary Students places in a Junior Jazz Ensemble and students with a flair for drumming can join the College's Marching Band.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our curriculum based Physical Education lessons give students exposure to a wide range of sports throughout their time at the College. Primary Students from Year 1 upwards attend weekly physical education lessons. Weekly Gymnastics lessons develop co-ordination and flexibility for students in Years 1 to 5. Our Primary students participate in the West Australian Christian Schools Sports Association, competing in an extensive range of interschool sports during school hours including cricket, tee-ball, soccer, AFL football, netball, swimming, cross country, basketball, beach volleyball, athletics and hockey.

Secondary students participate in a wide range of curriculum based sports including basketball, cricket, tee-ball, AFL football, volleyball, netball, soccer, athletics, hockey and ultimate frisbee. Competing under the Associated and Catholic Colleges of Western Australia umbrella, Secondary students participate in a number of interschool events including swimming, athletics and cross country. These interschool competitions provide our students with opportunity to compete at a higher level as well as develop stronger relationships with their peers. The College also participates in the Rockingham/Kwinana Associated Schools Sports Competition in basketball, cricket, soccer and netball. This competition operates after school for students in Years 7 to 9.

Specific students also represent the College in various one day team sport tournaments throughout the year including netball, basketball and touch football.



FOOTBALL ACADEMY

South Coast Baptist College has a specialised curriculum for football. Its program offers many benefits from Kindergarten through to Year 11.

There are many ways that our students can get involved. We are not just interested in equipping young people to excel in football, we are committed to shaping the whole player so that they display exceptional character and integrity on and off the field.

Our aim is to develop selfless players who have a desire to contribute to a team and ultimately their community. Our players are encouraged to value the opportunities they are given and to use their God-given abilities to contribute to the world around them.



FOOTBALL ACADEMY

The SCBC Football Academy is currently offered to students in Years 6-11. Primary students from Years 1-6 have a Sports Specialisation lesson once a week in Terms 1 & 4 with their Physical Education Teacher and a member of the HPC coaching team in addition to their weekly physical education class.

Participants in the Football Academy will receive quality coaching from a team of professionals including qualified coaches from 'High Performance Coaching' and experienced College staff.

The Football Academy provides students with the skills they will need to succeed in the sport as well as the outlook they need to succeed in life.

Intensive Football and Character Programs are offered to students during school time and after school.

Currently, full and partial scholarship applications are taken for Years 6-11 students.

COMMUNITY

“And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.”
1 Corinthians 13:13.

School communities are about children, parents, grandparents, teachers and support staff. Community at South Coast Baptist College is a key part of our Vision and Mission. We maintain open lines of communication with parents through regular newsletters, online services and numerous parent activity interest groups.

Opportunities are given for families to be involved in the life of our College in a variety of ways. Parents can be involved in a volunteer capacity by helping in classrooms, supporting school sporting teams and fundraising ventures. Parents may attend assemblies, chapel services, sport events and social activities hosted by the School.

The College is committed to maintaining connection with the wider community promoting interschool events, entering into local art and sporting competitions and supporting local charities and businesses.



CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We offer our students additional opportunities to get involved in College life through a variety of co-curricular activities. A number of sports clubs have been formed at SCBC as a way of our students being involved in local competitions. Soccer, netball and basketball teams are open to both primary and secondary age groups. The chess club meets once a week for students from Years 4 to 12. Primary students can join the Junior Choir and Junior Jazz Ensemble currently being formed.

Secondary students can participate in a variety of music groups, The Duke of Edinburgh Awards and Surf Life Saving Cadets. Our Cadets Program is ideal for students who love water based activities. The program focuses on the physical and emotional development of participants. Secondary students are able to attain a Surf Rescue Certificate and Recreational Skippers Ticket through their involvement. Activities include an adventure camp as well as weekly participation in surf lifesaving activities. Students gain organisational, interpersonal and problem solving skills as well as new qualifications and increased levels of fitness.

Outdoor Education
ODE is offered from Year 7 to 12. Our curriculum-based lessons take an integrated approach between practical experiences, the environment and conceptual understandings. Our program covers a range of skills and activities including surfing, snorkelling, hiking, team-building, problem solving and self understanding. Year 7 and 8's have a one day excursion that formalises these outdoor experiences and Years 9-12 participate in an overnight or multi-night expedition around various locations in the South West.





PASTORAL CARE

South Coast Baptist College believes that every person is uniquely created in the image of God and each person has different gifts and abilities. Our responsibility is to nurture and encourage all students to become the person they have been created to be and to motivate students in striving toward reaching their goals and aspirations. Pastoral Care at the College focuses on the whole person incorporating spiritual, physical, emotional and mental health.

A proactive approach is taken by staff towards maintaining a safe learning environment where Christian values, mutual respect and acceptance of others is promoted. Our College Counsellor is available to assist both students and parents with issues that are affecting them. In Secondary School, pastoral responsibility is shared with the Year Level Managers who focus on individual and group pastoral care needs. In addition, special events are organised in the Secondary School with a focus on developing student well-being.

South Coast Baptist College community members are encouraged to work together to create an environment that encourages students to:

- Treat all people with respect and dignity
- Build Christian character
- Appreciate their own worth and the worth of others so that each may develop their own potential
- Communicate effectively
- Promote care and respect for the environment
- Learn from their mistakes
- Build positive relationships with teachers and their peers
- Learn how to rebuild broken relationships.



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