



SOUTH COAST  
BAPTIST COLLEGE

# PROSPECTUS



Rigorous Minds | Compassionate Hearts



## About our College

South Coast Baptist College (SCBC) is a co-educational, private college catering for students from Childcare through to Year 12. Our mission 'Rigorous Minds, Compassionate Hearts' reflects an intentional commitment to both content and character.

The College is situated on a 7.4 hectare campus on Ngangara Drive, Waikiki, less than two kilometres from the picturesque western coastline.



## Welcome

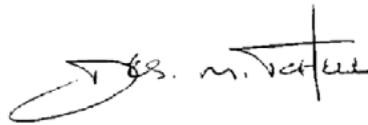
With over 30 years of experience, SCBC is well positioned to support, nurture and grow your child's gifts and talents, providing guidance and encouragement towards achieving University, TAFE or Apprenticeship aspirations. Our students are commonly known for their respect, integrity, resilience and concern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



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### Our Vision

SCBC is a thriving  
Christian community  
that inspires learning  
as a means of  
transforming and  
empowering lives

### Our Values

WISDOM  
grit  
love  
HOPE

# *Sowing into great beginnings*

## Childcare

Our 182-place Childcare Centre provides excellence in care and education from 6:30am – 6:00pm Monday to Friday. Inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach and guided by the Early Years Learning Framework, our programs provide purposeful, natural experiences that inspire curiosity, exploration and wonder.

Being a part of the College community means we have the uniqueness to be able to extend environments beyond the childcare perimeters. The children have access to all areas of the College such as nature play, basketball courts, libraries, age-appropriate play areas and more. We mirror the College's specialist programs at an early age, introducing our children to gymnastics, music and football. All of these development opportunities integrate into our learning through play curriculum. We have a dedicated Art Teacher that works with our children in the Atelier space, allowing them to create freely at all ages, and it is one of the most loved spaces by our children in the Centre.

Our team works closely with our Early Learning Department, offering a **Pre-Kindy and Kindergarten program** to help our very capable 3 and 4 year-olds prepare for their formal schooling education. Scrumptious meals are cooked and served daily by our Cooks, as children share meals and discussions around our dining tables.

The Centre also services our College and external community by providing a **Before and After School Care** and a very popular **Vacation Care Program**. For those families who are just wanting to find a place where their families can foster new relationships, our **community playgroup** runs every Friday during school terms. Open for 51 weeks of the year for our families, our Centre is a thriving hub whose success is grounded firmly with our commitment to child agency, positive relationships and our belief that every child is a capable and competent learner.





*Laying a  
foundation  
to learn and  
grow*

## Primary

Primary School marks important years of social development. Students begin to form their own interactions and friendships and learn to relate to peers on their own without parents being present. We have been purposeful in creating a culture where students feel positive about their environment, and a safe environment which is conducive for students to learn. Our College has a no-tolerance approach to bullying and staff promote restorative practices amongst students.

Focus is placed on competent numeracy and literacy skills through consistent learning programs and the use of explicit styles of instruction in key learning areas. Programs in spelling, reading, grammar and mathematics are well sequenced to ensure effective transition between year groups. Students' learning is enriched and extended through differentiation in the classroom as well as curriculum compacting and special events and competitions.

Technology is widely incorporated across Primary classrooms. Wireless internet, interactive whiteboards, iPads, laptops and Chromebooks are utilised by teachers and students to enhance the educational process. Students receive specialist Art, Digital Technologies, Sport, Music and Language (LOTE) lessons. Extra-curricular programs allow students to develop their own interests in areas including football, gymnastics, basketball, netball, computing, choir, numero and chess.

Parents can be involved in the Primary School in a number of ways including on parent rosters, attending assemblies, volunteering to support sporting teams and engaging in a variety of activities hosted across the year. Parents are regularly informed of their child's progress through end of semester reports. Teacher/parent interviews are held across each year, and teachers are happy to meet with parents at a mutually convenient, pre-arranged time.

# Secondary

Over the course of their Secondary schooling, students are guided on a journey on which they learn about themselves as learners and discover their skills and passions. Within a culture of high aspiration, students are well supported to set goals and discover pathways for life.

Our broad curriculum, based on the mandatory Australian Curriculum, seeks to enable students to explore a wide range of disciplines and activities, eventually discovering their special passions and talents.

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.

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 a Chaplain, Counsellor and Psychologist. Students benefit from our no-tolerance approach to bullying, cyber bullying, dangerous behaviour and illegal substances which provides them with a safe and positive environment in which to thrive.



*Preparing  
for the  
next chapter*

# facilities & opportunities

## ► our specialist programmes



### WELLBEING FOCUS

Wellbeing is a multi-faceted concept that recognises a mix of individual, group and environmental dynamics. It's a positive view of what it means to be a human.

Wellbeing and education are uniquely entwined. Investment in one will yield positive results in the other. At South Coast Baptist College we're a thriving Christian community. We take the physical, social, emotional and spiritual wellbeing of all students seriously because all students matter to God. We want to see our students feel well, function well and be compassionate to others. Students who experience wellbeing are more willing and able to learn, leading to improved academic results and life opportunities.

Our College seeks to promote wellbeing, prevent poor health and intervene early when issues are identified. We do this through wellbeing education, providing a positive environment, targeted early intervention and with the resource of a committed Wellbeing Support Team with Psychology, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Counselling, Chaplaincy, Mentoring and Nursing services on site.

It is our pleasure to work with students and families to foster a supportive learning environment that embraces the College values of Love, Hope, Grit and Wisdom.



### GIFTED & TALENTED EDUCATION PROGRAMME

The SCBC GATE Programme ensures that gifted and high achieving students are appropriately challenged and prepared for the future. Students are supported in developing their academic passions and talents through the three pillars of the programme: Academic Extension and Enrichment; Project-based Learning & Competitions and Academic Progress Management & Mentoring.

In an encouraging environment, students develop a love of learning, a growth mindset, and resilience to respond to many challenges that life may throw at them in future. Students who receive an Academic Scholarship will automatically be granted entrance into the Gifted and Talented Programme, where they develop skills of leadership, critical thinking, collaborative problem solving, and other 21st Century skills essential for success in a global economy.



### COMMUNITY

School communities are about children, parents, grandparents, teachers and support staff being involved in the life of our College in a variety of ways. We maintain open lines of communication with parents through regular newsletters, online services and numerous parent activity interest groups.

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



## uninterrupted learning on one campus

Pre-Kindergarten to Year 12



## FOOTBALL ACADEMY

At South Coast Baptist College Football Academy we want to develop exceptional football players. But even more than that, we really want to develop exceptional people.

Our professional coaches are passionate about training players to be better on and off the pitch. We're looking to cultivate skill AND character. Both are essential for our students to reach their full potential.

The elite football academy program is comprehensive, with entry being by trial and invitation. Our specially designed curriculum is delivered by experts and nurtures a love of all sports, enabling students to develop a wide range of skills. One of the key parts of our Academy is the Leadership Program. In weekly sessions, players work on self-awareness and important qualities including our College values.



## GYMNASTICS ACADEMY

Gymnastics is a fantastic foundation for all sports, as well as a fun, challenging and highly skillful sport on its own. As part of PhysEd at the College, students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have access to the Gymnastics Sports Specialty Program. In addition, the College has Recreation teams and an Elite Gymnastics Squad.

Part of our commitment to this area of specialisation is the development of a purpose-built building that will facilitate taking this program to our Secondary students.



## arts+music VOCAL ACADEMY

The Vocal Academy provides professional contemporary vocal training by tertiary trained vocalists with the aim of developing great singers who use their gifts to contribute to the cultural life of their community.

The program includes individual singing lessons, vocal groups and extensive performance opportunities. Vocal Academy students also participate in classroom music where contemporary vocals form a basis for study to perform as a group.

Placements for the Vocal Academy are available via audition and for a limited time there are also scholarships available for students with exceptional tone and talent.

More broadly in the Arts, whole school Drama productions develop a strong appreciation of students' giftings for acting, singing, dance, stage lighting and scenography. Visual Arts extension activities offer various opportunities for students to work with professionals and enter Art competitions.

## 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 SCBC, but must be supportive of the Christian ethos of the College. 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 South Coast Baptist College and their own local church.



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