



MERCEDES COLLEGE

Unlocking Life Potential.



A world
class
education



ABOUT MERCEDES COLLEGE

Mercedes College is a Catholic, Reception to Year 12 school in the Mercy tradition, providing a caring and supportive learning environment in a co-educational setting. It is set in spacious grounds just 7 kilometres from the centre of Adelaide with excellent transport facilities nearby. As an IB World School, Mercedes College is committed to International education. The College offers a holistic education that prepares students for life, service, leadership and membership of the global community. Mercedes College is a member of the Council of International Schools (CIS).

FACILITIES:

All students have access to:

- State of the Art Information Technology Resources
- Modern Library and Information Resource Centre
- Arts and Multimedia Suite – Computer aided design
- Performing Arts (Music & Drama) Complex
- 5 fully equipped Science laboratories
- All classrooms have contemporary learning resources
- The College has excellent sporting facilities

HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION:

International students at Mercedes College stay with a family in Homestay accommodation. We aim to provide all students with a caring and nurturing family lifestyle that will help them adjust to the Australian culture.

LANGUAGE SUPPORT PROGRAMME AT MERCEDES COLLEGE

Students arriving from overseas usually undergo an English Language Programme as part of their preparation for joining mainstream classes at Mercedes College. This may be provided by a combination of internal and external providers. The English course is full time, as required by the Department of Immigration for students on a Student Visa from certain countries. The length of time spent studying English is also dependent on the student's initial English level and the English level requirement needed for their academic study.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Mercedes College has a dedicated team of academic and specialist support staff. The International Students are supported by the Accommodation Coordinator, the Director of the International Students Programme, the Careers and Further Study Counsellor and an ESL teacher. The College Psychologist is available to assist if required. Students are assigned to a Tutor Group teacher who has daily contact and manages all aspects of the students in their care at school.

Staff, including the Principal of Mercedes College, regularly visit the home countries of international students, providing personal information and details of the student's academic progress directly to their parents and family.

International students generally enter at Year 10 or 11, and undertake either the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) or the International Baccalaureate Diploma.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

The IB Diploma is an internationally recognised high school certificate, which qualifies students for entry into all universities around the world. It is designed to facilitate the mobility of students and to promote international understanding. The programme offers a rigorous, comprehensive approach to learning in the last two years of secondary school (Years 11 & 12).

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (SACE)

The South Australian Certificate of Education is awarded to students who successfully complete their senior secondary education. The SACE qualifies students for admission to Australian and International Universities. Students study a broad range of subjects which enables them to undertake further studies and employment.

Local and international students achieve excellent results at Mercedes in an environment of academic success and personal growth. Mercedes College prides itself on its high academic profile with more than 92% of students achieving Tertiary entrance in a discipline of their choice.



Adelaide, the capital city of South Australia, is one of the world's most beautiful and well planned cities. It is a city of 1 million people with a stable and peaceful environment.

Adelaide enjoys a moderate climate, with hot, dry summers and cool to mild winters. The average temperature ranges from 28°C in summer to 15°C in winter. With numerous parklands, picturesque hills and sandy beaches, Adelaide has a pleasant, easy and relaxed lifestyle that is suitable for learning.

Adelaide also has one of the lowest costs of living of any city in Australia. The city is very multicultural and features international cultural activities and festivities. Adelaide has excellent public transport infrastructure and is a safe and secure city.

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