# **Junior Secondary**

Junior Secondary at Charleville State High School currently encompasses Yr7, 8 and 9. We provide high-quality education which prepares every student with the skills they need to succeed in life. Education Queensland has identified six-principles of Junior Secondary and these underpin all aspects of Junior Secondary at Charleville State High School.

#### **Distinct Identity**

Junior Secondary students are supported to develop their own group identity within the school community, and have a strong sense of belonging and ownership of their school and their learning.

#### **Distinct Identity at Charleville State High School**

- Junior secondary classrooms with breakout rooms
- Core teachers in a home room for Year 7 & 8
- Junior Secondary rewards day each term
- Junior Secondary uniform different to Senior School
- Junior Secondary Information Hub on school website

## **Quality Education**

The learning and achievement of Junior Secondary students is supported by skilled teachers with pedagogical knowledge and practice appropriate for this age group.

## **Quality Teaching at Charleville State High School**

- Pedagogy sharing between primary and secondary teachers
- Primary and secondary teachers teaching during transition
- Explicit teaching lesson structure used in every classroom
- A three-tier reading program based on data evidence
- Pedagogical framework is embedded
- Curriculum flows through Year 7/8/9 and into Senior school

#### **Student Wellbeing**

Student wellbeing is positioned as core business, and there is a whole of school commitment to ensuring a safe, supportive, inclusive and disciplined environment for all Junior Secondary students as they make the transition to a senior setting.

## Student Wellbeing at Charleville State High School

- Year 12 students are trained Peer Skill leaders
- Fully embedded transition program
- Data driven student support
- Junior Secondary lunch play area
- CEC Community Education Counsellor, YSC Youth Support Coordinator
- Student Support Committee meets weekly
- Girl's Group & Tradie's Club wellbeing programs

## **Parent and Community Involvement**

We encourage parents to stay connected with their students' learning when they enter high school. Parent involvement in special events, award ceremonies, leadership presentations and parent partnership meetings are welcomed.

## Parent and Community Involvement at Charleville State High School

- School newsletter
- Parent Information nights and Open Days
- Homework Club available every Thursday afternoon
- Positive Postcards
- Use of SMS to update parents
- Community Forum

## Leadership

Leadership roles are available for Years 7, 8 & 9 students. Dedicated Head of Department and Year Level Coordinators lead the Junior Secondary supported by the Principal and Junior Secondary Deputy Principal.

## **Leadership at Charleville State High School**

- Junior Secondary Leadership team: Yr7 YLC, Yr8 YLC, Yr9 YLC, JS HOD and JS Deputy Principal
- Core teachers in Year 7 and 8
- Junior Secondary Rewards Days every term
- Junior Secondary student leadership opportunities
- Junior Secondary parade

#### **Local Decision Making**

The needs of our school community have influenced how Junior Secondary is implemented at Charleville State High School.

#### **Local Decision Making at Charleville State High School**

- Parent's & Citizens committee
- Parent Information nights
- Parent teacher interviews
- Junior Secondary team visit local primary schools
- Use of Primary school newsletters to inform primary parents and community
- Junior Secondary Hub on school website

If you would like to be involved in the Junior Secondary agenda at Charleville State High School please contact the Junior Deputy or Principal.