Junior Secondary

Bowen State High School





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Junior Secondary—Queensland

From 2013, the Governments "Flying start programme" saw the introduction of Junior Secondary in all state schools for Years 8 and 9. In 2015 Year 7 will join this cohort of students. Year Levels 6 through to Year 9, are known as the Middle Phase of Learning.

Junior Secondary recognises this phase of students' lives as a distinct period of academic growth and change and addresses each through the 6 Guiding Principles of Junior Secondary:

- Distinct Identity
- Quality Teaching
- Student Wellbeing
- Parent and Community Involvement
- Leadership and
- Local Decision Making.



Celebrating Junior Secondary: What Bowen SHS offers....

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Individuality— curriculum and students

Bowen SHS recognises the individuality of each student and through education plans we develop pathways that are individualized and tailored to each students needs. With a broad range of subjects on offer, students are able to trial multiple aspects of the possibilities for senior schooling as they move through Junior Secondary. With specialist staff and classrooms we offer a broad range of learning environments rich in opportunities and development for the transition from Primary to Junior and Junior to Senior years.

Gifted and talented programs runs across our Primary schools with our current Junior Secondary students in the areas of Science, the Arts and Sports. BSHS provides opportunities for students to participate in extra curricula activities including Drama Festivals, Musicals, Theatre Sports, Concert Band, Sporting Teams, Rostrum speaking, debating and subject specific competitions in the areas of Math, Science and English.

We also increase subject offerings through a highly supportive Independent Learning Centre for students wishing to choose a subject through Distance Education.



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