

# CAVENDISH ROAD STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Our school at a glance

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## Principal's foreword

### Introduction

Another outstanding year for our great school.

An intense focus on higher order thinking across the curriculum and explicit planning and assessment strategies will ensure even higher success academically.

We boast a Gold Medal in Queensland Opti Minds Science Comp, a Gold Medal in Queensland Opti Minds Literature Comp, Regional Maths Champions (3 years running) and State Premierships in Boys and Girls Football.

### Future outlook

This year we are developing a new E Learning Centre, beginning a Music/Technology extension class in Year 8 and preparing for International Students for next year.

We have also begun our partnership with University of Queensland which builds on our extensive range of university partnerships.

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### School Profile

Total student enrolments for this school: 1330

Year levels offered: Year 8 to Year 12

Coeducational or single sex: Coed

### Curriculum offerings

\* These subjects give credit towards University Degree and are HECs free.

Our distinctive curriculum offerings

University Biology\*

University Maths\*

University Economics\*

Music Extension

Football

Netball

Virtual Legal Studies

Touch Football

Japanese

German

Extra curricula activities:

Symphonic Band, Stage Band, Percussion, Drum Line, Choir, Strings

Debating

Musical

Soccer, League, Netball, Cricket, Touch, Tennis, Squash, Skateboarding

How computers are used to assist learning:

The Library has been converted into an E Learning Centre. We have a 1:3 computer ratio. Our school is a trial school for Apple. We use high tech facilities including teleconferencing for students to access overseas speakers, a force plate for physics/sport experiments and high speed cameras for sport programs. Interactive whiteboards and data show feature in all teaching blocks.

### Social climate

100% of Parents surveyed stated this was a good school. HOWZAT!!!

97% of students stated they were happy to go to school.

Our Peer Support Program and proactive Year Coordinators contribute a great deal to student welfare.

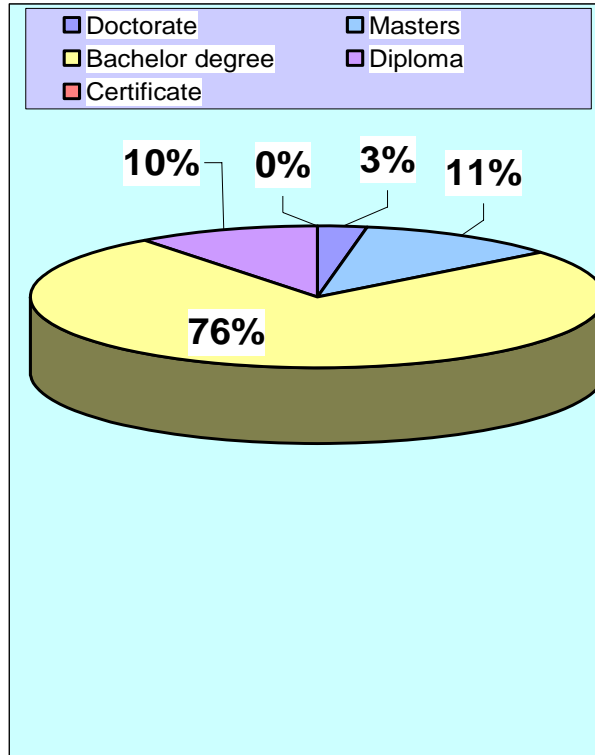
### Involving parents in their child's education.

Parents receive four reports per year. We also have parent/teacher nights, an on-line newsletter and SMS phone contact to parents.

## Our staff profile

### Qualifications of all teachers

Highest level of attainment	Number of classroom teachers and school leaders at the school
Doctorate	3
Masters	12
Bachelor degree	80
Diploma	11
Certificate	0



### Expenditure on and teacher participation in professional development.

The total funds expended on teacher professional development in 2008 was \$97,711.

The major professional development initiatives are as follows:

Literacy, Dimensions of Learning, Leadership, Preparation for QCE, Preparation for Naplan, Peer Support Mentoring, ICTs, International Education, Virtual Schooling.

The involvement of the teaching staff in professional development activities during 2008 was 78 %.

### Proportion of staff retained from the previous school year.

From the end of the 2007 school year, 97% of staff were retained by the school for the entire 2008 school year.

### Average staff attendance

For permanent and temporary staff and school leaders the staff attendance rate was 96% in 2008.

## Performance of our students

### Student attendance

The average attendance rate as a percentage in 2008 was 89 %.

### Key outcomes

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results - our reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy results for the Year 9.

Domain	Measures	Yr 9
Reading	Average score for the school	583
	Average score for Queensland	568.2
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 93 %
Writing	Average score for the school	564
	Average score for Queensland	555.3
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 88 %
Spelling	Average score for the school	580
	Average score for Queensland	567.8
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 90 %
Grammar and Punctuation	Average score for the school	577
	Average score for Queensland	563.2
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 90 %
Numeracy	Average score for the school	581
	Average score for Queensland	570.7
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 93 %

## Performance of our students

Apparent retention rates Year 10 to Year 12.

**Year 12 student enrolment as a percentage of the Year 10 student cohort.**

**89 %**

Outcomes for our Year 12 cohort of 2008

<b>Number of students awarded a Senior Statement.</b>	<b>198</b>
<b>Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate Individual Achievement (QCIA).</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) at the end of Year 12.</b>	<b>142</b>
<b>Number of students awarded an International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBD).</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Number of students awarded one or more Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualifications.</b>	<b>131</b>
<b>Number of students who are completing or completed a School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SAT).</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Number of students receiving an Overall Position (OP).</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>Percentage of OP/ IBD eligible students with OP 1-15 or an IBD.</b>	<b>62 %</b>
<b>Percentage of Year 12 students who are completing or completed a SAT or were awarded one or more of the following: QCE, IBD, VET qualification.</b>	<b>93 %</b>
<b>Percentage of Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) applicants receiving a tertiary offer.</b>	<b>96 %</b>

Post-school destination information

At the time of publishing this School Annual Report, the results of the 2008 Year 12 post-school destinations survey. Next Step – Student Destination Report for the school were not available. Information about these post-school destinations of our students will be incorporated into this Report in September.

### Value added

Cavendish Road High is in high demand from the families throughout Queensland. In 2008 we received 450 applications for 290 student positions in Year 8. Our reputation as a school with strong discipline and high standards of student behaviour and dress attracts many families. Add to this our academic achievements, particularly in Science and Maths and our record for positive innovation and you have a school staff which is constantly adding value to the education of our future citizens. I love this place.

## Performance of our students

Parent, student and teacher satisfaction with the school

100% of parents believed this to be good school.

84% of students believed they were getting a good education.

82% of staff were happy with the morale in the school.