

Bray Park State High School

Queensland State School Reporting

2014 School Annual Report



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Principal's foreword

Introduction

On behalf of the Bray Park State High School Community, I would like to welcome you to our School Annual Report. This report provides the annual overview of our school and illustrates how, as a growing state high school, we are ideally placed to offer the individual student an educational experience that challenges each person in a range of intellectual, social, cultural and physical pursuits.

Bray Park State High School has a vision of 'A Supportive, Innovative Community of Learners'. This vision is a simple yet powerful motivator for our students and staff to aspire to the highest possible standards in achievement and behaviour. We take pride in delivering quality education in a caring, supportive, friendly and equitable environment whilst maintaining the worth, dignity and rights of all.

At Bray Park State High School we are very cognisant of the transition from primary to high school, particularly with our involvement with the Flying Start initiative. Our school continues to implement 'best practice' in regards to junior secondary education and in 2014 as part of the State Trial for Year 7 in secondary school, our students achieved excellent outcomes. Our focus for the Senior Phase of Learning is to provide multiple pathways for students achieved through an extensive variety of Authority, Authority Registered and VET, (Vocational Education and Training) subjects, with opportunities to pursue School Based Traineeships & Apprenticeships in Years 10, 11 and 12, as well as Certificates II and III through partnerships with TAFE.

Bray Park State High School is a community school that values everyone's opinion. A successful partnership has been developed among members of our educational community, creating the opportunity for input into our local decision making process.

At our school we work collaboratively to share our vision and ensure our values are embedded in everything that we do. We support and underpin our vision by valuing, modelling and focusing on: Respect, Trust, Integrity, Compassion and Commitment. These values form the basis of our Responsible Behaviour Plan for students.

School progress towards its goals in 2014

Our school is a community of students, parents/care givers, staff and community members focussed on the achievement of every student as our collective commitment. Teaching staff at Bray Park State High School seek to ensure that every child, every day and in every lesson are able to succeed beyond their own expectations

As a school community our students take pride in their uniform and the school seeks to enforce the school dress code.

Our school motto of 'Challenge the Unknown' is achieved as a whole community. This is achieved by ensuring our young people are taught strategies that enable them to challenge themselves and explore educational experiences that will enable them in a positive way for their future endeavours.

School progress towards its goals in 2014

In 2014, Bray Park State High School's percentage of Year 12 students obtaining an OP 1 -15 was 69% and those who completed a SAT or awarded a QCE, IBD or VET qualification again was 100%.

The number of Year 12 students awarded a Certificate I qualification was also 100% (123 students in the 2013 year 12 cohort), 70% of students Certificate II or higher qualification.

The number of students obtaining a QCE was 98%.

The percentage of students who applied for and received an offer of a tertiary place was 98%.

Future outlook

The key school planning priorities for 2014 include:

- Literacy & Numeracy
- QCE attainment
- Improved Attendance
- Whole school pedagogical framework 'Art & Science of Teaching'

Our school at a glance

School Profile

Coeducational or single sex: Coeducational

Year levels offered in 2014: Year 7 - Year 12

Total student enrolments for this school:

	Total	Girls	Boys	Enrolment Continuity (Feb – Nov)
2012	741	373	368	91%
2013	842	416	426	91%
2014	771	363	408	91%

Student counts are based on the Census (August) enrolment collection.

Characteristics of the student body:

The Bray Park State High School community is made up of students from many differing cultural backgrounds and ethnicities. The socioeconomic background of our students is also mixed. The school community has many different religious beliefs. Students show an awareness and acceptance of each person's cultural background. This is a strength of the student body at Bray Park State High School.

Average class sizes

Phase	Average Class Size		
	2012	2013	2014
Prep – Year 3			
Year 4 – Year 7 Primary			
Year 7 Secondary – Year 10	23	23	23
Year 11 – Year 12	17	18	17

School Disciplinary Absences

Disciplinary Absences	Count of Incidents		
	2012	2013	2014*
Short Suspensions - 1 to 5 days	149	174	231
Long Suspensions - 6 to 20 days	44	53	10
Exclusions [#]	0	5	4
Cancellations of Enrolment	9	16	8

[#] Exclusion is an abbreviated title which reflects suspensions with recommendations for exclusion, which may result in an exclusion or be set aside through an appeals process.

* Caution should be used when comparing 2014 data with previous years SDA data as amendments to the disciplinary provisions in the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, passed in late 2013, created a time series break.

Curriculum offerings

Our distinctive curriculum offerings

We do this through:

- A strong focus on literacy and numeracy in all subjects.
- A Junior Secondary school (year 7, 8 and 9) that provides students with a variety of curriculum offerings to allow development in all Key Learning Areas.
- Senior Phases of Learning (year 10,11 and 12) with VET (Nationally Recognised Certificates I and II) in Automotive, Furniture Making, Engineering and Manufacturing, Hospitality, Community Activities, Technologies including Business and IT and Visual Art. Students also have the opportunity to participate in TAFE subjects, up to and including Certificate III (3), and University 'Start up Programs'. Senior Phase of Learning which also offers a broad range of QCAA Authority subjects including extension subjects in English and Music.
- Academic development programs for co-curricular music, maths, science and technology students including Unify, Robotics and Technical Crew.
- A sporting development program, Future Athlete Specialist Training (FAST) that focuses on talented athletes of all sports.
- Partnership with Queensland Academies which provides online extension courses for diverse learners.
- A Lifeskills program which provides social/emotional well-being programs, study skills and work readiness across all year levels.

Extra curricula activities

The Co-curricular Music Program and the FAST program continue to enhance the curriculum offerings at the school and provide quality educational outcomes, especially for our Gifted and Talented students.

Co-curricular Music Performances (QYMA, Brisbane City Bands Festival, Urban Upbeat, Fanfare, Primary School visits, tours and competitions), Sport Competitions, (FAST, Queensland Basketball Competition and Broncos Arrive Alive), Academic Competitions, Public Speaking, Soul Singers (Public and Council performances), involvement in Council activities, (Clean Waterways, Australia Day, ANZAC Day Marches, Relay For Life and Red Shield Appeal). Other school activities include school Socials, teambuilding and leadership camps, overnight curriculum camps, student mentoring programs and engagement programs such as Peer Skills Mentors, The Encouragement Project, PCYC Boxing program and Rock and Water.

How Information and Communication Technologies are used to assist learning

School wide

- ICT's are embedded in every work program across the curriculum including electronic submission of work where possible.
- AB Tutor Computer management software is used to manage our devices and facilitate teacher student collaboration.
- All teachers and students have access to a data projector with the majority of blocks having a data projector in every teaching space.
- Mobile computer pods are deployed in all faculty areas this has resulted in a computer to student ratio to 1:1 within years 9 to 12.
- iPads are used by our Year 7 Flying Start cohort to achieve a 1:3 student to device ratio.

Student

- A gifted and talented digital media class has begun running during senior sport. This class allows students to pursue various digital image, video and presentation mediums.
- To accommodate the media class a selection of library computers were setup with dual monitors to assist with design tasks.

Staff

- After an internal review of our initial eLearning plan a team of staff members have begun work on recording instructional videos focussed on building teacher digital literacy capabilities surround curriculum development, delivery and administration.
- A full eLearning Plan incorporates regular staff wide delivery of Professional Development and targeted specialist working teams investigating and leading IT initiatives..

Social Climate

A well- documented and well enacted School Wide Positive Behaviour Plan. The Welfare Program across all year levels is a crucial component of Bray Park SHS whole school approach to positive behaviour support. All students have a welfare lesson each week as well as a welfare teachers and a year level co-ordinator. Specific lessons and programs target development of interpersonal skills, goal settings, career pathways, resilience training and social development. Further support, available through the guidance officer, Chaplain, school nurse, Youth support co-ordinator and Indigenous support teacher aide enhances this program. A consistent expectation for students to demonstrate our four core school values is the basis for positive management of student behaviour in all school activity – classroom learning, around the school, at functions and events, and travelling to and from the school. The four values, well known and adhered to by the school community are – Trust, Respect, Integrity, Commitment and compassion.

Data from 2014 School Opinion Survey indicates 89% of students and 94% of parents feel that BPSHS is a safe environment. 92% of parents believe their students are getting a good education and 94% of students believe that Bray Park SHS is a good school.

Parent, student and staff satisfaction with the school

Performance measure

Percentage of parent/caregivers who agree [#] that:	2012	2013	2014
their child is getting a good education at school (S2016)	89%	76%	92%
this is a good school (S2035)	92%	89%	94%
their child likes being at this school* (S2001)	85%	89%	94%
their child feels safe at this school* (S2002)	96%	92%	94%
their child's learning needs are being met at this school* (S2003)	93%	76%	92%
their child is making good progress at this school* (S2004)	85%	74%	92%
teachers at this school expect their child to do his or her best* (S2005)	96%	92%	100%
teachers at this school provide their child with useful feedback about his or her school work* (S2006)	78%	87%	83%
teachers at this school motivate their child to learn* (S2007)	76%	78%	85%
teachers at this school treat students fairly* (S2008)	77%	81%	87%
they can talk to their child's teachers about their concerns* (S2009)	85%	94%	89%
this school works with them to support their child's learning* (S2010)	88%	82%	91%
this school takes parents' opinions seriously* (S2011)	88%	81%	80%
student behaviour is well managed at this school* (S2012)	92%	72%	91%
this school looks for ways to improve* (S2013)	92%	92%	88%
this school is well maintained* (S2014)	93%	92%	93%

Performance measure			
Percentage of students who agree [#] that:	2012	2013	2014
they are getting a good education at school (S2048)	90%	95%	91%
they like being at their school* (S2036)	87%	95%	86%
they feel safe at their school* (S2037)	89%	91%	89%
their teachers motivate them to learn* (S2038)	89%	86%	88%
their teachers expect them to do their best* (S2039)	97%	98%	97%
their teachers provide them with useful feedback about their school work* (S2040)	85%	91%	83%
teachers treat students fairly at their school* (S2041)	85%	76%	75%
they can talk to their teachers about their concerns* (S2042)	73%	72%	78%
their school takes students' opinions seriously* (S2043)	67%	79%	79%
student behaviour is well managed at their school* (S2044)	67%	81%	75%
their school looks for ways to improve* (S2045)	89%	93%	89%
their school is well maintained* (S2046)	79%	81%	89%
their school gives them opportunities to do interesting things* (S2047)	82%	94%	88%

Performance measure			
Percentage of school staff who agree [#] that:	2012	2013	2014

Performance measure			
Percentage of school staff who agree [#] that:	2012	2013	2014
they enjoy working at their school (S2069)		83%	95%
they feel that their school is a safe place in which to work (S2070)		87%	95%
they receive useful feedback about their work at their school (S2071)		62%	74%
students are encouraged to do their best at their school (S2072)		87%	98%
students are treated fairly at their school (S2073)		89%	100%
student behaviour is well managed at their school (S2074)		69%	79%
staff are well supported at their school (S2075)		67%	71%
their school takes staff opinions seriously (S2076)		58%	73%
their school looks for ways to improve (S2077)		80%	93%
their school is well maintained (S2078)		59%	81%
their school gives them opportunities to do interesting things (S2079)		79%	88%

* Nationally agreed student and parent/caregiver items were incorporated in the School Opinion Survey in 2012.

'Agree' represents the percentage of respondents who Somewhat Agree, Agree or Strongly Agree with the statement. Due to a major redevelopment of the surveys (parent/caregiver and student in 2012; staff in 2013), comparisons with results from previous years are not recommended.

DW = Data withheld to ensure confidentiality.

Involving parents in their child's education

Parents at Bray Park SHS are involved in their child's education through a variety of strategies.

Potential Year 5, 6 and 7 parents are invited to attend both information nights, orientation days and school expo prior to their child starting Year 7 or Year 8. At the start of every year, new Year 7 & 8 parents are invited to a Year 7 & 8 barbeque to meet and greet their child's teachers and other students and parents.

During the year, the school conducts parent teacher nights in term one and three. These events are well attended and parents are surveyed on these nights regarding school policies, procedures and operations.

Throughout the year, numerous community events occur where parents can be involved and this also creates opportunities for communication. Bray Park SHS has a P&C and a strong interschool sports commitment through every year level in the school. These organisations and events create parent involvement across all year levels. The school also engages parent participation through the canteen, fund raising activities, behaviour management issues and more recently school Working Bees.

Formal events such as the Senior Leaders Induction, Prefect Induction, Awards Night, Musicals, Special Awards Ceremonies and the Senior Graduation are also well attended by parents and the wider community.

Reducing the school's environmental footprint

Greater awareness to turn off lights, fans and air-conditioners when not in use has continued to be a key message to all to ensure a conscious use of electricity.

Years	Environmental footprint indicators	
	Electricity kWh	Water kL
2011-2012	344,603	2,778
2012-2013	295,127	1,957
2013-2014	299,383	1,609

The consumption data is compiled from sources including ERM, Ergon reports and utilities data entered into OneSchool by each school. The data provides an indication of the consumption trend in each of the utility categories which impact on the school's environmental footprint.

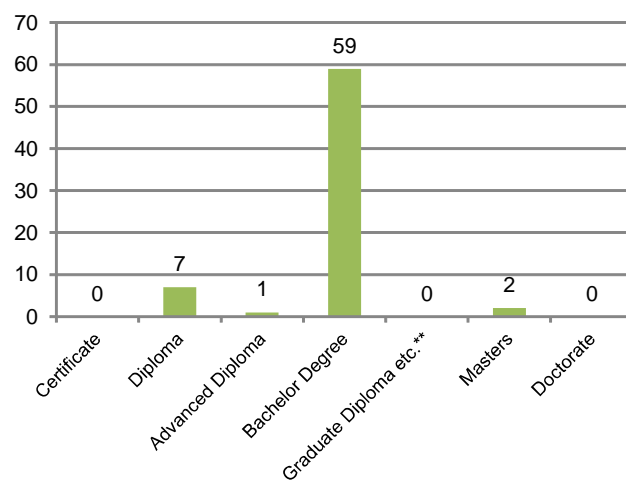
Our staff profile

Staff composition, including Indigenous staff

2014 Workforce Composition	Teaching Staff*	Non-teaching Staff	Indigenous Staff
Headcounts	69	38	0
Full-time equivalents	64	26	0

Qualification of all teachers

Highest level of attainment	Number of Teaching Staff *
Certificate	0
Diploma	7
Advanced Diploma	1
Bachelor Degree	59
Graduate Diploma etc.**	0
Masters	2
Doctorate	0
Total	69



*Teaching staff includes School Leaders

**Graduate Diploma etc. includes Graduate Diploma, Bachelor Honours Degree, and Graduate Certificate.

Expenditure on and teacher participation in professional development

The total funds expended on teacher professional development in 2014 were \$21 661

The major professional development initiatives are as follows:

- Art & Science of Teaching
- Inclusive Education (Differentiation)
- SWPBS
- Australian Curriculum PD
- Queensland Curriculum Assessment Authority (QCAA) Professional Development

The proportion of the teaching staff involved in professional development activities during 2014 was 100%.

Average staff attendance	2012	2013	2014
Staff attendance for permanent and temporary staff and school leaders.	96%	97%	96%

Proportion of staff retained from the previous school year

From the end of the previous school year, 98% of staff was retained by the school for the entire 2014 school year.

School income broken down by funding source

School income broken down by funding source is available via the *My School* website at <http://www.myschool.edu.au/>.

To access our income details, click on the *My School* link above. You will then be taken to the *My School* website with the following 'Find a school' text box.

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School financial information is available by selecting '**School finances**' in the menu box in the top left corner of the school's entry webpage. If you are unable to access the internet, please contact the school for a paper copy of income by funding source.

Performance of our students

Key student outcomes

Student attendance	2012	2013	2014
The overall attendance rate for the students at this school (shown as a percentage).	87%	87%	88%

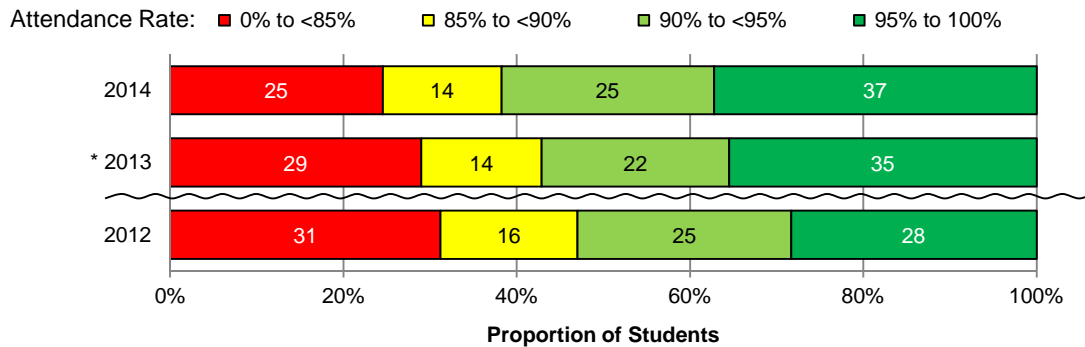
The overall attendance rate in 2014 for all Queensland Secondary schools was 89%.

Student attendance rate for each year level (shown as a percentage)												
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
2012								89%	90%	85%	85%	88%
2013							91%	91%	85%	87%	83%	87%
2014							91%	89%	88%	82%	88%	89%

DW = Data withheld to ensure confidentiality.

Student attendance distribution

The proportions of students by attendance range.



*The method for calculating attendance changed in 2013 – care should be taken when comparing data after 2012 to that of previous years.

Description of how non-attendance is managed by the school

Non-attendance is managed in state schools in line with the DETE policies, SMS-PR-029: Managing Student Absences and SMS-PR-036: Roll Marking in State Schools, which outline processes for managing and recording student attendance and absenteeism.

Student attendance is taken each morning during House Group. Data is transferred from teacher rolls to an electronic database and text messages are sent to parents of unexplained absent students. Student attendance is also taken by classroom teachers for every lesson.

Fractional truancy is identified by the database and followed through by class teachers, Heads of Departments and Administration staff.

Letters are sent home to parents if absences exceed three days and then followed up by Year Level Coordinators and Deputy Principals.

Students with 100% attendance are celebrated every term on fullschool parades.

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results – our reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy results for the Years 3, 5, 7, and 9.

Our reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy results for the Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are available via the My School website at <http://www.myschool.edu.au/>.

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Achievement – Closing the Gap

In 2014 there were 53 indigenous students enrolled at Bray Park State High School. The attendance rate for these students was at 76.4% for the year. Academic Data of Indigenous students is generally below that of non-indigenous students. Mentoring programs such as Deadly Choices and Leroy Loggins were introduced to support Indigenous students in all aspects of their school career.

In NAPLAN, year 9 Indigenous students mean results in the areas of Writing, Grammar and Punctuation, Spelling and Reading indicate they achieved higher than the National Mean and Non-Indigenous mean.

All Senior Indigenous students exited with a Queensland Certificate of Education and a Vocational Education and Training Certificate.

Apparent retention rates Year 10 to Year 12	2012	2013	2014
Year 12 student enrolment as a percentage of the Year 10 student cohort.	75%	74%	74%

Outcomes for our Year 12 cohorts	2012	2013	2014
Number of students receiving a Senior Statement	113	138	123
Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement.	1	1	0
Number of students receiving an Overall Position (OP)	46	63	45
Number of students who are completing/continuing a School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SAT).	12	4	16
Number of students awarded one or more Vocational Educational Training (VET) qualifications (incl. SAT).	113	138	123
Number of students awarded an Australian Qualification Framework Certificate II or above.	89	108	86
Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) at the end of Year 12.	84	114	120
Number of students awarded an International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBD).	0	0	0
Percentage of OP/IBD eligible students with OP 1-15 or an IBD.	70%	59%	69%
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.	100%	100%	100%
Percentage of Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) applicants receiving an offer.	86%	87%	98%

As at 19 February 2015. The above values exclude VISA students.

Overall Position Bands (OP)					
Number of students in each Band for OP 1 to 25					
Years	OP 1-5	OP 6-10	OP 11-15	OP 16-20	OP 21-25
2012	4	9	19	9	5
2013	11	9	17	20	6
2014	6	5	20	14	0

As at 19 February 2015. The above values exclude VISA students.

Vocational Educational Training qualification (VET)			
Number of students completing qualifications under Australian Qualification Framework (AQF)			
Years	Certificate I	Certificate II	Certificate III or above
2012	113	86	11
2013	138	101	21
2014	123	80	15

As at 19 February 2015. The above values exclude VISA students.

Students were enrolled in the following Certificate courses:

- Certificate 1 Automotive,
- Certificate 1 Manufacturing,
- Certificate I Engineering,
- Certificate I Work Education and
- Certificate I Work Readiness
- Certificate I & II Information Technology,
- Certificate I & II Business,
- Certificate II Furniture Making
- Certificate II Community Activities
- Certificate II Hospitality
- Certificate II Visual Art

Post-school destination information

At the time of publishing this School Annual Report, the results of the 2014 post-school destinations survey, Next Step – Student Destination Report (2013 Year 12 cohort) for the school were not available. Information about these post-school destinations of our students will be uploaded to the school's website in September.

Early school leavers information

The destinations of young people who left the school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12.

BPSHS supports the transition from school to tertiary education, training or employment for all students. Some students choosing to leave school prior to the completion of Year 12 have done so as they have taken up full time apprenticeships, full time work or full time study, including with another provider (including TAFE). Students, who are identified as at risk of disengaging from school early, are supported through an extensive range of student support services, including the student support services draw upon a range of internal and external support agencies to re-engage students into traditional schooling. Where this is unsuccessful, students and their families are supported in engaging in alternative study or workplace pathways.