



Our School

Established in 1892 St Michael's Collegiate School is an Anglican School for girls rich in history and heritage. For almost 127 years young women have been part of a shared community unique in its blend of academic excellence, a nurturing environment and the encouragement of each girl's individual development.

Collegiate is located in the centre of picturesque Hobart with a population of 200,000. Hobart was first settled in 1804, making it Australia's second oldest city. It is one of the safest and cleanest cities in the world. The city is famous for its beautiful, historic sandstone buildings, art galleries, craft shops, theatres and restaurants; not to mention the famous Salamanca Saturday Markets.

Tasmania has vast areas of virtually untouched wilderness with the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage area covering 20% of the land mass of Tasmania, 17 national parks range from alpine areas to windswept beaches.

Boarding

The Boarding House is located amidst lush gardens in the heart of the Senior School and provides an excellent opportunity for students to access after school activities and facilities such as the indoor heated swimming pool, library, wireless network and the McNeill Performing Arts Centre. The Boarding House is home to boarders who come from all parts of Tasmania, interstate and overseas. Care is taken to provide a relaxed but supportive atmosphere, where girls are encouraged to be self-reliant, while at the same time showing care and consideration for others. The Boarding House runs smoothly under the care of The Director of Boarding and who is supported by a number of caring staff members who live on site.

Curriculum

At Collegiate, we offer you a wide variety of opportunities: academic learning, sporting and physical endeavours, outdoor education, creative pursuits, leadership and service learning, amongst many other challenges. In the Senior School, students are encouraged to become involved and to take full advantage of these opportunities. Collegiate offers a broad range of learning options. For more information on the wide range of subjects available please refer to our Years 10 to 12 Curriculum Handbook which is available on our website www.collegiate.tas.edu.au .

Outstanding Results

Collegiate students achieve outstanding results in the Tasmanian Certificate of Education. Consistently 25% of our students score in the top 5% of the state each year and many students achieve the highest possible score in many subjects studied at the pre-tertiary level. In 2009 the top student in the state was Genevieve Kan who achieved a TCE-Score of 120.5 out of a possible 100 which gave her the highest possible TCE-Rank of 99.95. Genevieve has gone on to study Medicine at Monash University in Melbourne. Collegiate girls achieve highly and take up tertiary studies in a range of academic fields including Medicine, Law, Business, Science, Engineering and the Arts at the University of Tasmania as well as at other universities in Melbourne, Sydney and Canberra.

Pastoral Care

The happiness and wellbeing of our students are paramount. It has been well proven that better academic performance is achieved when students feel happy and safe, relate well to each other, and have high self-esteem and confidence in their own efforts. Our student care aims to ensure that every child is made to feel worthwhile and respected. In Middle and Senior Schools each student is also a member of a House and has a Mentor teacher who takes individual care of each girl. A sense of community and connectedness is nurtured through the House system. All students participate in House activities which range from sport to debating throughout the academic year. Each House has developed its own special character and atmosphere, conventions and customs.

Extracurricular

We believe very strongly in the overall development of the individual student. To support our strong academic program, there is also the provision of activities beyond the classroom to encourage girls to learn more about themselves as individuals. We believe that some of our most effective learning is gained through community service, sport, debating, House activities, performing

arts and the Collegiate leadership program. In the Expressive Arts some extracurricular enrichment activities include orchestra, bands, choral groups, musical productions, dance ensembles, photography, youth drama groups and life drawing.

School of Performing Arts

Collegiate's School of Performing Arts is designed to help talented students develop as communicative artists. We aim for our students to be instilled with the dedication and understanding to reach within themselves to affect and move audiences. It is through this process that students are prepared for a life in the arts. The mission of SPA is to provide high calibre artistic education for gifted musicians, vocalists, actors and dancers to allow them to achieve their fullest potential as artists, leaders and global citizens. The facilities offered include a wide variety of indoor and outdoor rehearsal and performance spaces, a professional recording studio, state of the art lighting and sound equipment, sprung floor dance and drama studios, and exhibition and reception areas. For more information on the School of Performing Arts please refer to www.collegiate.tas.edu.au .

Outdoor Education

Collegiate's Outdoor Education Program draws on a wonderful asset at our door step: unique wildlife, ancient plants, stunning landscapes and the rich cultural heritage of the rugged Tasmanian wilderness

Outdoor Education at Collegiate is programmed as a facilitated, wilderness-based, experiential learning adventure that promotes cross-curricular learning opportunities. Our diverse program ranges from single day activities to multi-day, challenging expeditions in such disciplines as mountain biking, white-water raft ing, sea-kayaking, bushwalking, caving, square rigger sailing, white water kayak ing, inshore sailing, rock climbing and skiing.

Sport

Sport is an integral part of Collegiate's education program. Students are encouraged to participate in competitive, individual and team sports at both house and school levels. Collegiate fields school teams in an incredible range of 22 sports and an impressive number of girls take advantage of the superb opportunities and facilities that the School has to offer, including our own boat club on the banks of the Derwent River, five minutes from the main campus. The following sports are among those offered at Collegiate:

Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Canoe Polo, Cricket, Cross Country, Equestrian, Gymnastics, Hockey, Netball, Orienteering, Rowing, Sailing, Soccer, Softball, Squash, Swimming, Tennis, Touch Football, Underwater Hockey, Volleyball and Water Polo

Cooperating Schools

Collegiate offers the best of both worlds to our girls once they reach the senior years 11 and 12. Through a cooperating arrangement between Collegiate and our brother school, The Hutchins School, and a third cooperating school, students are able to choose from an impressive list of around 100 subjects. The three schools plan timetables and subject lines together to expand the selection available to our students. Each girl is personally counselled by the Academic Dean to ensure her needs are addressed.



St Michael's Collegiate School The Christ College Trust Trading as: St. Michael's Collegiate School CRICOS Registration No. 00482K

Number of Students 700
Number of Boarders 55
Teacher to student ratio 1:12
(average including electives)
Percentage International 3%
Type of School: Anglican Girls
Brother School: The Hutchins School

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