



Coombabah

STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Student Prospectus



OUR PROMISE TO YOU



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Principal

Coombabah State High School is a proud learning community committed to developing opportunities for students through productive partnerships and pathways.



Strong Foundations

Our active involvement with Coombabah, Biggera Waters and Arundel State Schools, and the wider community, provides the experiences to develop your child's confidence for a seamless journey through school and beyond.



Future Ready

Critical to the long term success of your child is the ability to communicate effectively and to problem solve. Your child's confidence will grow as they develop essential 21st century skills.

We strive to produce future ready students.

Young adults who value learning new skills to reach their goals; work collaboratively, are resilient, respectful and responsible. Young people who contribute positively, are motivated, independent and prepared for new challenges.

Your child can look forward to an exciting journey where they will be encouraged to develop their unique skills and abilities by dedicated teachers whose focus is your child's success.



A Platform for Success

Our **iGniTe** programs provided the perfect pathway to success for gifted and talented students. Programs include Academic, Sport and Exercise Science, Performing Arts and Visual Arts. A range of 'After the Bell' activities complement these programs.



Beyond the Classroom

We offer a wide range of experiences beyond the classroom including sport, excursions, eisteddfods and work experience. Our growing list of 'After the Bell' activities such as leadership, instrumental music, chess, singing and digital design provide challenging and enriching experiences.



eLearning

Our students develop essential skills for the 21st century through the use of a wide range of learning technology. They design, create, collaborate, communicate and locate information using the language and tools of their generation.

Coombabah is a **safe and healthy school** where you will see mutual respect for people and property modelled, and individual differences valued, encouraged and supported.

Coombabah's **dedicated staff** are committed to excellence in practice through teamwork, individual endeavour, integrity, encouragement and compassion.



Wherever your special abilities and talents lie, Coombabah's iGnite programs are the perfect platform for your journey to success.

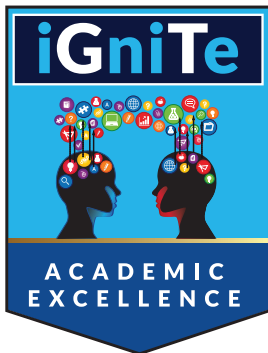
Our expert teachers partner with universities and business, industry and community leaders, providing you with high calibre excellence programs to develop and showcase your uniqueness. Our iGnite programs provide you with a competitive edge and will greatly assist you in making a seamless transition to the senior phase of learning and life beyond school.

At Coombabah we value productive partnerships between staff, students and families. You will be mentored by expert teachers ensuring your learning is personalised and highly effective. The team of dedicated teachers who coordinate and deliver iGnite courses are readily accessible to support you.



WHAT TO EXPECT from your iGnite program:

- Expert teachers and valued community and industry partners facilitating your learning
- Excellence classes placing you with like-minded or skilled students
- Additional timetabled lessons in elective programs (Health and Exercise Science, Dance Excellence, Visual Arts)
- Extra-curricular experiences that are challenging and connected to the real world
- Access to scholarships
- Individualised educational and career planning, support and mentoring from teachers and peers
- Opportunities for work experience, work placement and pre-tertiary courses.



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Are you a student who excels in Mathematics, Science, English and Humanities (or a combination of these subjects)? In this program emphasis is placed on the acquisition of knowledge, the development of critical thinking skills and the formation of effective work habits. This will contribute to success in your senior studies, tertiary education and beyond. (See pages 5-6)



DANCE EXCELLENCE

If you are a talented dancer, this program is for you. In association with a specialised class, you will attend a series of workshops that develop your abilities in a range of dance styles. You will have the opportunity to showcase your talent in an end-of-year production, which will be filmed and can be incorporated into your experience portfolio. (See pages 7-8)



HEALTH AND EXERCISE SCIENCE ACADEMY

Students who are passionate sports enthusiasts should apply for this program. The program will create pathways to careers in sport, recreation, health and exercise sciences and physical education. The curriculum is complemented by targeted workshops and lectures to assist you to maximise your skills, performance and mindset with an emphasis on elite athlete development. (See pages 9-10)



RUGBY LEAGUE EXCELLENCE

Are you playing club or representative rugby league? If you have a talent and passion for the game, you should apply for this program. This excellence program has been designed for athletes wanting to specialise in Rugby League at elite levels or pursue a career in the Rugby League on or off the field. In this course, you will focus your knowledge and skills to take your performance to the next level. (See pages 11-12)



VISUAL ARTS

A unique course for aspiring or talented artists. In conjunction with a streamed class, our expert teachers partner with local artists to develop your abilities across a range of visual art dimensions. You will create a folio of work that demonstrates your skill level. The folio can be used when applying for employment and/or tertiary courses. Your work will be exhibited in school and public displays.



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ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



*A selective entry program for students who excel in
Maths, Science, English and Humanities.*

*Developing curious minds into creative and
critical thinkers ready for the future.*

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE OVERVIEW

Do you excel in Mathematics, Science, English and Humanities?

The Academic Excellence program focuses on forming strong work habits, building knowledge and developing 21st century skills. Developing critical and creative thinking skills are integral and will be essential to you on your pathway to success through high school, tertiary education and beyond.

MATHEMATICS

Does it delight you to know that the geometry of an arch is not simply elegant, but makes the strongest structure? Would it satisfy you to logically prove that you are right about something? Is saving lives by predicting the spread of disease valuable? Mathematics is beautiful, powerful and much needed in our world. Our Maths curriculum can develop your potential in maths and help prepare you for an exciting future.

Enrichment opportunities:

- Advanced skill development for success in Senior Mathematics
- Accelerated studies
- Fun with Maths Activity Program
- ICAS Mathematics Competition



ENGLISH

Are you fascinated by the power of words? Does your talent lie in the art of debate and public speaking? Do you hope to one day write a captivating novel just like your favourite author? Our English curriculum offers you the opportunity to develop your creative and analytical skills, prepares you for the world of academia, and invites you to indulge in a lifelong passion for language.

Enrichment opportunities:

- Optiminds
- Writers' Festival
- Reading Master Classes
- Author visits and writing workshops
- Debating
- ICAS English Competition



SCIENCE

Do you enjoy discovering why things happen the way they do? Our Science curriculum will take you on an exciting journey of discovery and inquiry. Scientific understanding and inquiry skills are gained through the study of Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Earth Science. Through theory and practical activities, you will engage in a range of exciting learning experiences. You will be challenged to extend your thinking, and actively use the scientific method to collect, interpret, and analyse data.

Enrichment opportunities include:

- Science on the GO workshops
- Queensland Museum Sciencentre SparkLab Experience
- Griffith University Engineering workshops
- ICAS Science Competition
- STEM Horizons for High Achievers Program
- ConocoPhillips Science Experience
- Griffith University Sciences STEM Ambassador Program
- National Science and Engineering challenge
- STEM Cup competition
- Griffith University Science Trivia Competition



HUMANITIES

Are you intrigued by people and places? Do you like pondering life's BIG questions? Humanities is about you, your world and the people in it. Humanities will take you down paths of discovery in Business, Civics, Geography and History. Our Humanities curriculum will prepare you to tackle life, think critically and be creative.

Enrichment opportunities:

- Optiminds
- Australian Geography Competition
- Australian History Competition
- Simpson Prize



iGniTe ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO

- Extension Classes
- Specialist teachers and valued community and industry partners facilitating your learning
- Opportunities for accelerated studies
- Academic outcomes tracking and individual academic guidance
- Extra-curricular experiences that are challenging and connected to the real world
- Opportunities to participate in national competitions
- School based scholarships

PARTNERS

- IMPACT Centre (IMPACT Program)
- Elevate Education (Elevate Program)
- Griffith University
- James Cook University
- Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary
- State Library of Queensland
- Mighty Minds Educational Consultants

OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS

- Attain grades in the upper achievement levels
- Targeted development of skills towards success for students on ATAR pathways
- A high school learning experience with like-minded students
- Accelerated studies
- Opportunities to undertake University subjects and gain credit towards your tertiary studies, eg Griffith University Ambassador Program (in Years 11 and 12)
- Access to scholarships to Griffith, Bond and other local Universities

FEES

The fee is 'pay as you go' for participation in a range of enrichment activities.

APPLICATION PROCESS

If you are interested in applying for a course that gets results, please complete the iGniTe application form included in your enrolment package.

**Our iGniTe programs will
have you on a pathway to success**



*This course offers unique opportunities for
aspiring students in the dance industry.*

*Students who are talented in one or more styles
of dance should apply for this course.*

COURSE OVERVIEW

The iGniTe Dance Program, we immerse aspiring dancers in an enriching experience that hones their skills across various performance styles. Our program is thoughtfully designed to focus on the dynamic and energetic movements of Hip-hop, the precision and flair of Jazz, the emotive storytelling of contemporary, and the expressive fluidity of lyrical dance. Participants will delve into each style, gaining a versatile foundation that fosters creativity and personal expression. Through engaging workshops, performances, and collaborative projects, dancers will not only enhance their technical abilities but also build the confidence and professionalism essential for a successful performance career.

At the core of our program is a commitment to nurturing the holistic growth of each dancer. We believe in fostering an inclusive and supportive environment that encourages self-discovery and teamwork. Participants will have the opportunity to work closely with experienced instructors and industry professionals who will provide personalized guidance and feedback. This collaborative approach ensures that dancers not only refine their technical prowess but also develop a strong sense of stage presence, adaptability, and professionalism.

As dancers progress through the program, they will have the chance to showcase their talents in various performance settings, from informal studio presentations to larger-scale productions. This exposure will empower them to seamlessly integrate their skills across different styles, making them versatile performers ready for the dynamic demands of the entertainment industry. Join us in this immersive journey where passion meets professionalism, and let your dance aspirations reach new heights with our Ignite Dance Program.

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Dance competitions
- Professional partnerships with leading choreographers
- School Showcase Evenings
- Community Events
- Musical Theatre Opportunities



INDUSTRY LINKS

Links will be made with Gold Coast Arts Centre, local tertiary institutions and various other community organisations related to the Performing Arts fields.

OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS

- iGniTe Dance places strong emphasis on developing the discipline, motivation and creativity necessary to succeed in any chosen career within the dance industry.
- All aspects of the course encourage you to develop performance skills to a pre-professional level.
- You will develop a professional attitude with respect to personal health, work ethic and commitment.
- Personal digital copy of the work you have created to use for future opportunities in the professional scope of Performing Arts, for example inclusion in digital portfolio or as show reel for an audition.



PAST STUDENT SUCCESS

- Dance Teacher Graduates
- Masters of Education (Major Dance)
- Professional Dance Company (Las Vegas Residency)
- Full Time Graduate Brent Street

FEES

An additional 'pay as you go' fee is applied to this course for participation in workshops, excursions, performances and other learning experiences.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Complete the iGniTe application form in the enrolment package. Provide details of your Dance based experiences and/or your desire to be in this course. An extensive portfolio is not required.
- Return your application as per the timelines advertised for the current year on the school website.
- Attend the Dance workshop as advertised on the school website.

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**HEALTH AND
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ACADEMY**



*This course will create pathways to careers into
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OVERVIEW

Our Health and Exercise Science Academy is dedicated to cultivating passionate sports enthusiasts, with a special emphasis on elite athlete development and careers in health and exercise science. We aim to produce graduates equipped with the skills and mindset, inspired by athletes, to make a positive impact on the world in professional sport, health, and exercise science careers.

AIMS

- Empower students to unlock their potential to be competitive, perform at an elite level, or pursue a career in health and exercise science.
- Promote a high performance culture for all students to ensure the journey started has a successful outcome.
- Support student athletes to achieve a healthy balance between their commitments in a supportive educational environment.
- Offer students cutting-edge facilities, evidence-based training programs, and systematic support aimed at fostering connections between performance, health, and exercise science.
- Provide unique learning experiences by expanding into local specialised venues with instruction conducted by experts in the fields of sports, health, and exercise science.



ACCESS TO:

Coomababah State High School Health Sciences Precinct

- Kinesiology lab equipped for sports testing, rehabilitation, injury prevention and sports lectures
- Health Care Classroom with Hospital Ward
- Outdoor gym for foundation strength and conditioning
- Indoor gym for intermediate and advanced strength and conditioning
- Classrooms with the latest technology to complement our programs
- Showers and change rooms

Runaway Bay Sports Precinct

- The Gold Coast Performance Centre
- Netball Courts and Basketball Stadium
- Soccer, Rugby League and Cricket Fields
- Fully contained cycle circuit
- Recovery pools

Gold Coast Sports Venues

Extending further, our students will participate in:

- Hiking along the Gold Coast Hinterland Kokoda Challenge trails
- Table tennis at the Molendinar Commonwealth Games Venue
- Surfing at our famous Gold Coast beaches
- Golf at one of more of our many Gold Coast venues
- Rock-climbing at competition standard venues



OUTCOMES

- Engaging and challenging curriculum integrating the latest technology in health and exercise science.
- Targeted approach to teaching Health and Physical Education focussed on sport, health and exercise science pathways.
- Access to first class facilities and strength and conditioning coaching.
- Interact with elite sports organisations to gain insight into the journey to success for elite athletes and the people who support them.
- Health and exercise science professionals such as sports psychologists, exercise physiologists, physiotherapists, and nutritionists support optimum performance and provide insight into a vast range of sport, health and exercise science careers.
- Opportunities for work experience and career advice within the sport, health, and exercise science fields.
- Prepare for a range of post-compulsory studies leading to employment and tertiary options.
- Training opportunities that result in a competitive edge in sporting competition.



CURRICULUM

Core Elements

- A complete high school academic program that encourages success and acceleration.
- A unique Athlete Development Program supporting off-field growth and development.
- Professional health and exercise science support services.
- Unique experiences in our local and wider community will expose students to new fields, career options and insights into the world of professional sport, health, and exercise science.

Athlete Development Program

This element of the course empowers students to reach their full potential as an athlete. It also provides students the opportunity to develop a holistic understanding of the exercise science fundamentals that underpin elite athletic performance. Students will:

- Learn the importance of teamwork, communication, leadership, and resilience; and practice these in their school activities.
- Develop an understanding of the need for strong routines associated with nutrition, prehabilitation, rehabilitation, training and recovery.
- Develop essential sport-related attributes including strength, agility, flexibility, coordination, and aerobic speed.
- Attain proficiency in operating within a high performance sporting environment and become physically equipped to meet the expectations of senior-level sports participation.

PARTNERS

- Our relationship with Griffith University provides students the opportunity to connect with university students and experience university style learning.
- The Runaway Bay Sport and Leadership Excellence Centre provide unique opportunities for our students to develop both leadership and resilience capabilities.
- Our partnership with Atkins Health provides students with the opportunity to access injury screening; students also experience firsthand the work of exercise physiologists and physiotherapists.

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iGniTe RUGBY LEAGUE EXCELLENCE STUDENTS WILL HAVE ACCESS TO:

- Working with like-minded and skilled students
- Expert teachers, valued community and industry partners facilitating your learning
- Extra-curricular experiences such as camps and visits to elite training venues
- Opportunities for athlete development
- Industry, teacher and peer coaching, mentoring and networking
- Individual educational and career planning with regular reflection and feedback

CURRICULUM

In addition to the mandatory curriculum you will:

- Participate in training sessions with expert coaches to improve your competition skills.
- Access the schools gym to learn about strength and conditioning
- Develop teamwork skills and the mindset needed to be a resilient and high performing player.
- Use video analysis to enhance your knowledge of biomechanics and skill acquisition, and improving technique in chosen sports.
- Learn the off-field skills to become a well-rounded athlete including sleep, nutrition, mindset and sports psychology.
- Apply theoretical principals learnt in class to training, games and competitions.
- Work with teacher and industry mentors who will help you to optimise your performance.



PARTNERSHIPS

- Coombabah SHS works in partnership with the Gold Coast Titans to provide specialist skills lessons.
- Students also work with highly experienced specialist staff who coach and mentor students to excel.
- Students also benefit from guest speakers in the sporting and Rugby League industries.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS

- Training sessions with industry experts
- Dedicated rugby league classes timetabled
- Compete in pre-season trials and seasonal games at a range of venues
- Ongoing mentoring and pastoral support

SUCCESS STORIES

Past alumni who played or debuted in the NRL this year are:

- Josh Lynn - Parramatta
- Jye Gray - South Sydney
- Brendan Piakura - Broncos
- Taine Tuaupiki - Warriors
- Jayden Berrell - Cronulla
- Coby Black - Broncos
- Klese Haas - Titans
- Arama Hau - Titans



PAST STUDENT SUCCESS

Past students include:

- Brendan Elliot - Roosters, Newcastle, Manly, Titans and currently at the Cowboys
- Jeremy Smith - Melbourne, St George, Cronulla, Newcastle and New Zealand
- Scott Sattler - Gold Coast Seagulls and Chargers, South QLD Crushers, Wests Tigers, Penrith and QLD

FEES & COSTS INVOLVED *(subject to change)*

- Approx. \$250 plus an additional fee for camp
- Supplied: 2 x training shirts, game day shorts, strapping, bus transport, training equipment
- Training gear to be supplied by student/parent: mouth guard, socks, boots, training shorts, head gear (optional)

APPLICATION PROCESS & EARLY OFFER OPPORTUNITIES

- Attend the Rugby League Excellence trials as advertised on the school website.
- Complete the iGniTe Rugby League application form in the enrolment pack.
- Return your application as per the timelines advertised for the current year on the school website.
- Selection is based on the level of commitment and skill demonstrated during the evaluation activities.
- Early offer opportunities and scholarships may be offered through school trials or local representative clubs.

PRODUCTIVE PARTNERSHIPS CREATING SUCCESSFUL PATHWAYS

Happy Healthy Students

We provide children with a safe and caring environment, including an extensive support team who guide them in their daily and life choices. Our focus for each child is developing resilience, good habits and the ability to make well considered decisions.



Looking Forward

In Senior Secondary the door opens to numerous pathways. Whether it be university, TAFE, apprenticeships or traineeships, we will create the plan to suit your child's needs.

Positive Culture

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning model provides the fundamental principles for your child's success at school and in life. It supports and recognises students as they strive to reach the high expectations of our school and the wider community.



HOW TO APPLY

Complete the application form in your enrolment package, or available from the school website. After submitting an application, the selection process for all applicants is as follows:

- Academic Excellence
- Visual Arts - Portfolio
- Dance - Workshop
- Health and Exercise Science Academy - Trial
- Rugby League Excellence - Trial

Students enrolling for the start of the school year should note the relevant dates available on the school website.



ENQUIRIES

For enquiries, please phone **5552 3888** or email **enrolments@coombabashs.eq.edu.au**

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