

Kurwongbah State School – HOW WE WORK

Kurwongbah State School will establish strong, innovative and strategic partnerships that expand opportunities and contribute directly to greater student success – every student succeeding. We will engage community and work with local business and industry to make informed decisions that ensures our students are prepared for their future as active and engaged citizens.

Community

Our staff believes that parents are partners in student learning and as such the school provides a number of forums in which parents can become involved and participate in our school community. Communication is an integral part of our school community and our school relies on a number of official modes to enable open and transparent communication. Some of these include:- Kurwongbah SS Website; Kurwongbah SS Facebook; Kurwongbah SS Fete Facebook 2017; QSchools App; Kurwongbah SS Newsletter; Class Dojos & QParents.

School Council

The School Council guides the broad strategic direction of the school by:

- Monitoring the school's strategic direction;
- Approving plans and policies of the school of a strategic nature and other documents affecting strategic matters, including the annual estimate of revenue and expenditure for the school;
- Monitoring the implementation of plans, policies and other documents mentioned above; and
- Advising the school's principal about strategic matters.

The School Council must perform its function in a way that achieves the best learning outcomes for the school's students. The Council consists of:

- 3 elected parents; 3 elected staff members; P & C President & Principal as official members

Parents & Citizenship Association

The P & C fosters community interest in educational matters; tries to bring about a closer co-operation between parents of children attending the school, other members of the community, staff and students of the school. Its core business is to:

- Give advice & recommendations to Principal about issues relating to students and the general operation and management of the school.
- Assist in the giving of financial or other resources or services for the benefit of students of the school.

The Kurwongbah P & C own, operate and staff three essential businesses:

- Tuckshop; Uniform Shop; Out of School Hours Care: Before School Care, After School Care & Vacation Care
- From the revenue raised through the P & C businesses and fund raising ventures the P & C are able to assist in financing resources and services within our

Department of Education and Training

The Department of Education and Training's goal is to prepare Queenslanders with the knowledge, skills and confidence to participate successfully in the economy and broader community.

As part of DET and through North Coast Region there is a renewed focus on supporting performance and outcomes across the three sectors – early years, schooling and training and skilling.

Kurwongbah SS is an Independent Public School (IPS) operating in line with the same legislation as all other state schools. As an IPS, Kurwongbah SS works in partnership with their community and:-

- Proactively identifies potential challenges and opportunities for enhancing school performance and student wellbeing and success;
- Trials innovative ways of working, with a view to building a strong evidence base about the most effective measures and intervention in various schooling contexts; and
- Shares their learnings and drives positive, evidence-based reforms across the system.

Kurwongbah SS implements the Australian Curriculum (ACARA) and the P-12 Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Framework. It aligns the teaching, assessing and reporting of the Australian Curriculum.



Staff

Our staff work collaboratively within and across schools using the 'Inquiry Cycle' to improve student outcomes. They implement quality learning programs to support the progress of every student. They build inclusive and supportive learning environments responsive to individual student needs. Kurwongbah State School Staff consists of Classroom Teachers; Head of Curriculum; Head of Special Education Services; Master Teacher; Pedagogical Leaders; Music Specialists; Physical Education Specialists; Teacher Librarian; Languages Other Than English; French/Japanese; Paraprofessionals; Administration; Ancillary Staff

The Local Consultative Committee (LCC) is a representative group of union and management nominees selected by the Principal. It meets each term and is responsive to work related issues within the school. One of the roles of the LCC is to contribute to the planning of smooth change management at a school level