



**BANKSIA PARK
INTERNATIONAL
HIGH SCHOOL**

EDUCATING GLOBAL CITIZENS FOR GLOBAL FUTURES PROSPECTUS



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WELCOME

Banksia Park International High School provides a world-leading, challenging and supportive learning environment for students from years 7-12.

Our curriculum, learning and teaching program is designed for students to achieve personal success as they follow learning pathways for their future life. Our students develop habits to become powerful learners in which entrepreneurial and critical thinking skills feature. In a global environment, our students learn the skills and capabilities of intercultural understandings and how to be effective global citizens. We grow students' personal potential, where the knowledge, skills and capabilities that enable pathways beyond school are promoted.

We are proud of the unity in which learning, and school daily life occurs. A culture of collaboration in and beyond the classroom enables student success.

Our picturesque surroundings with expansive spaces and native flora make our school a unique, inviting and welcoming place in which to study, be with friends and participate in co-curricular activities.

As an international school, we commit to our vision of educating global citizens for global futures by preparing our students to assume their roles as active and globally responsible citizens in an increasingly intercultural and technological world.

Our core PIRKU values of perseverance; integrity; respect & responsibility; knowledgeable, ambitious learners; and unity; underpin our education and extra-curricular programs, where students are supported and guided to be curious learners, willing to take on challenges, who strive to reach their highest potential. We foster a vibrant, positive culture that enhances identity, interdependence and pride for students to be effective global and digital citizens in the 21st century.

We acknowledge and celebrate individual and collective achievement and growth at every stage of development as part of our futures focussed path to excellence.



STUDENT LEARNING

We have high expectations of our students in all aspects of schooling and especially in their learning. Our students develop confidence and skills to fully participate in their learning by taking responsibility for their personal engagement and growth and by meeting timelines and milestone goals.

In order for learning to flourish, our school PIRKU values are enacted in the positive and welcoming relationships between students and students, and students and staff. Student learning flourishes when there is high collaboration between people and at BPIHS we build this skill into our daily practice.

International accreditation by the Council of International Schools (CIS) demonstrates our commitment to world-class quality assurance in all facets of school life. Recommendations from CIS school visits are preceded by internal school reports in which we assess ourselves against world leading educational standards. As a high performing school focussed on excellent learning and teaching programs, we support learning by considered resourcing, especially in professional development and the sharing of good practice. Our international programs not only support overseas students but develop global citizenship and intercultural learning in all students as highly valued skills and dispositions.

JUNIOR SUB-SCHOOL & MIDDLE SUB-SCHOOL

In the junior and middle sub-schools, we follow the Australian Curriculum in which students develop the skills, capabilities and dispositions to thrive as increasingly sophisticated learners.

Students engage in learning through English, Humanities and Social Sciences, The Arts, Science, Mathematics, Technologies, Languages, and Health and Physical Education.

Interdisciplinary learning occurs through relevant and meaningful topics and inquiry into issues and ideas of local and global significance.

Our classrooms and innovative flexible spaces support our students to be both self-directed, independent and responsible learners as well as collaborative partners with others.

In years 9 & 10 students establish foundations for further studies and choose from a diverse range of subjects, with most under the framework of the Australian Curriculum.

SENIOR SUB-SCHOOL

In the senior sub-school, we develop independent learners who are responsible and accountable for their learning and achievements. Our dedicated staff set high expectations and support students with their studies and developmental needs to succeed as effective, contributing global citizens.

Senior students begin their South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE). In years 11 and 12 students select from an extensive range of SACE subjects, vocational education and training courses and community-based learning, enabling all students to follow their strengths, passion or interests for future positive pathways.



STUDENT LEARNING

STUDENT LIFE PROGRAMS

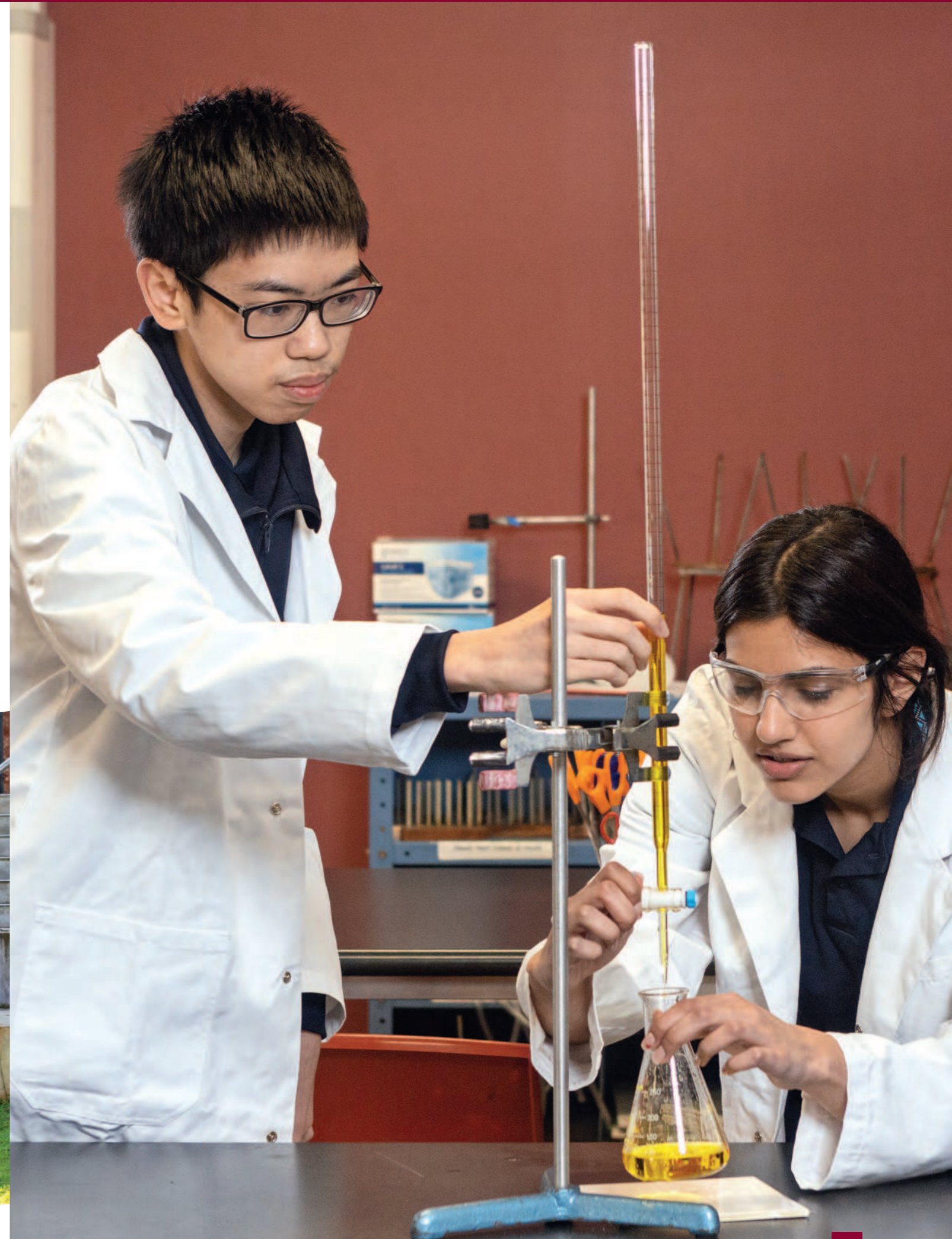
Young people and their learning are at the heart of everything we do. Our student life programs are designed for each year level, and provide students with an individual plan to support their academic and personal learning. School values, goal setting, growth mind set, study habits, work experience, driving and being safe, responsible use of technology, wellbeing, pathway and career planning are just some examples of topics addressed in the student life program.

Students develop self-confidence and are coached to make informed choices in their decision-making. Senior students can participate in our nationally recognised Global Citizens Medal program. Intercultural understandings and skills in global citizenship are developed in learning areas and also through a range of community activities.

TECHNOLOGIES & DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Effective use of technology is a key skill, which we promote at all stages of learning through an integrated approach in all subjects. We are committed to developing communication and technology skills. Understanding the responsible and ethical use of technology in the development of effective digital citizenship is an important part of our curriculum.

Students are fully supported with their laptops and use of our ICT infrastructure and programs. Our school portals provide students and families access to learning and assessment information in real time.



SPECIALIST PROGRAMS

FUTURE ACADEMY PROGRAM

Our future academy program is a special entry program available to students entering year 7 and provides an entrepreneurial pathway through to year 12. Through this program students increase their ability to define and pursue entrepreneurial opportunities and work with communities, industries and universities. The aim is to develop students as agents of innovation, renewal and growth across a range of industries and technologies.

Entry for this program is based on a selection process. Information can be found on our website.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Banksia Park International High School offers a range of international programs. We provide dedicated support from a team of staff with orientation and ongoing care to ensure international students feel part of our school community and thrive in their new learning environment.

Our international programs include Intensive Secondary English Courses, High School Graduate program, Study Abroad program and Study tours, both in and outbound.

Local and international students working successfully together has enabled us to achieve wide acclaim for our harmonious school environment.

Further information on international enrolment processes and our international programs can be found on our website.

SOCCER PROGRAM

Our soccer program currently begins from year 9 and continues through to the senior years. It incorporates the Football Federation Australia curriculum and principles and is inclusive for all students. Banksia Park International High School delivers a Football South Australia approved course. We have strong affiliations with various soccer clubs and with A-League club Adelaide United. Students can select this program through our school course counselling processes.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR

We recognise that students learn, develop and grow through their involvement and participation in common interests. Our large array of extra-curricular activities challenge and complement student learning and encourages school pride.

Students have opportunities to develop their leadership through school, community and global activities including the new Emerging Leaders program at year 10.

Students with musical interests can participate in the stage band, concert band, ensembles, drum line and the vocal group. Each year students have opportunities to participate in various music events at school and in the community.

The school has a strong sporting tradition and is actively involved in interschool and state competitions and carnivals throughout the year. Students can be involved in a broad range of sports including athletics, badminton, basketball, cricket, football, netball, rugby and soccer.

Students can also participate in over 12 student-led clubs including Arts, Robotics, Dungeons & Dragons, amongst others.



ENHANCE LEARNING

IDEAL ENVIRONMENT

Our campus has exceptional resources and facilities including:

- specialised spaces and computer suites for STEM and entrepreneurial learning
- science laboratories and an open design area for specialist science projects
- technology studies workshops for woodwork, metalwork, plastics, photography, computer aided design and trades
- art and design suites and rooms
- a modern resource centre with library and computing facilities and an information technology hub for student assistance
- home economics suites with fully equipped kitchens and textiles room
- a gymnasium with sports laboratory
- extensive playing fields, courts and weights room
- senior study areas
- performing arts centre and theatre with commercial kitchen facilities for catering.

PARTNERSHIPS

At Banksia Park International High School, we value our partnerships with local and international families and homestays as together we build students' personal growth and achievement.

We welcome family involvement and participation at school activities including acquaintance evenings, special events, interviews, information sessions and whole school assemblies. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to join our governing council and committees.

Our school's extensive and active partnerships with business and industries, universities, community and international networks enable us to offer educational programs that assist students to develop academically and personally. Through broadening opportunities for students, we prepare them for their global future.

Welcome to Banksia Park International High School.

