

Annual Report Information (based on 2020 data)

Contextual Information

Discovery Christian College is an independent, co-educational, non-denominational Christian school, providing educational opportunities to students from Prep to Year 12.

Centred on the corporate values of *'Character, Community and Excellence'*, our mission is to foster the growth of young people through authentic, relevant and dynamic learning opportunities, centred on the development of Godly character, that equips and inspires them for life.

This report is intended to fulfil State and Federal legislation regarding statutory requirements as well as providing current and prospective parents with an insight into the College throughout the 2020 year.

School Details

School Sector: Independent

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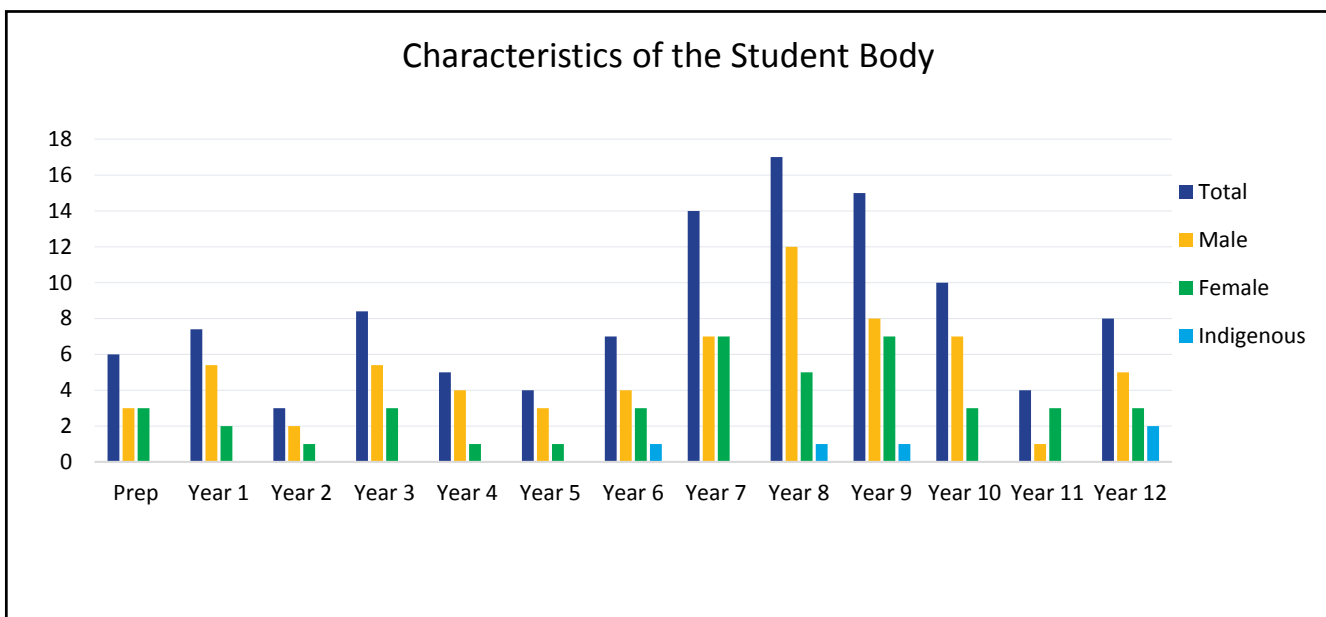
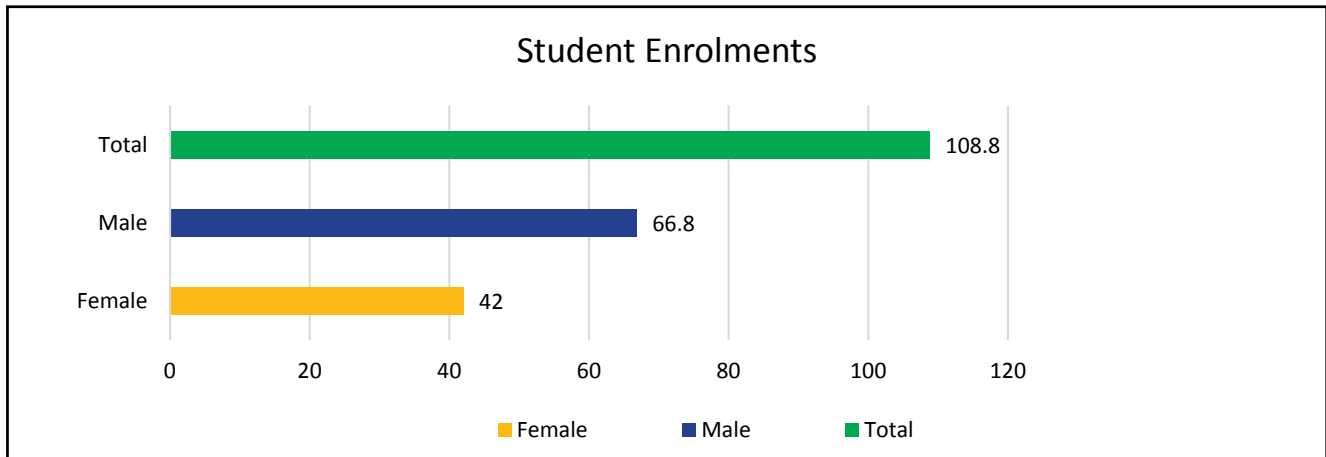
Total Enrolments: 108.8

Year Levels Offered: Prep – Year 12

Co-Educational or Single Sex: Co-educational

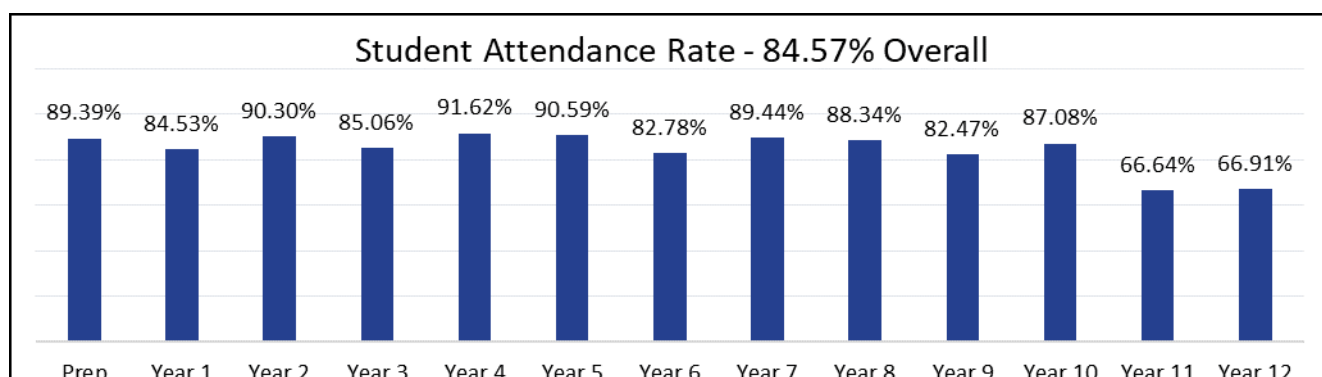


Students



Student Attendance

Non-attendance is tracked and carefully monitored by the College. A digital roll is marked each lesson in Secondary School and each morning Primary School. Parents are asked to contact the College prior to the commencement of the school day to advise of student absences. Any unexplained absences are followed up with a text message to parents, where an explanation is sought for the student's absence. In cases of prolonged non-attendance, this is followed up by the College Leadership Team and in extreme cases, Police notified to remedy the situation.



Apparent Retention Rate: Year 10-12

The apparent retention rate represents the number of students who enrolled in year 10 in 2018 as compared to the number who were enrolled in Year 12 in 2020.

	Year 10 Base (2018)	Year 12 (2020)	Retention Rate
Number of Students	15	8	53%

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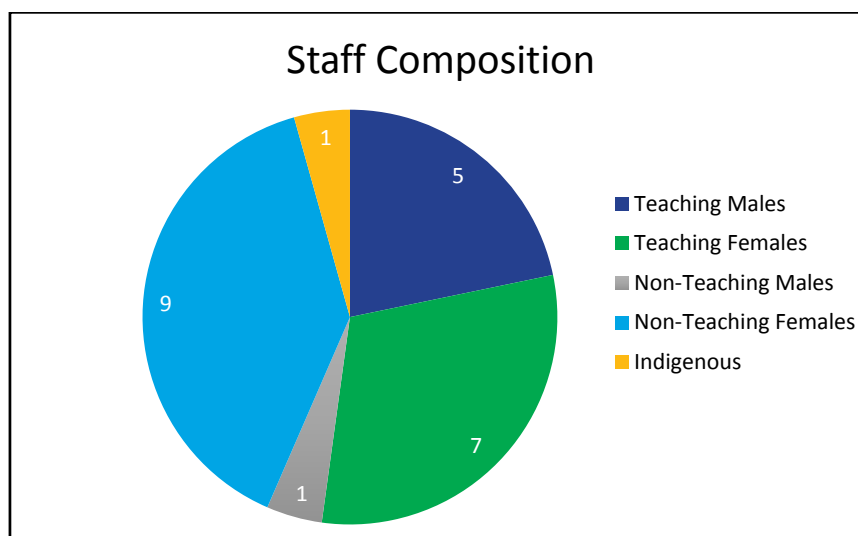
As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, NAPLAN testing for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 was cancelled.

Year 12 Outcomes

Outcomes for Year 12 Cohort 2019	
Number of Students awarded a Senior Education Profile (SEP)	8
Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)	6
Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA)	0
Number of students awarded an International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBD)	0
Number of students receiving a Senior Statement only	2
Number of students awarded one or more Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualifications	4
Number of students who are completing or completed a School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SAT)	0
Number of students awarded a VET qualification:	
Certificate I	0
Certificate II	4
Certificate III	0
Certificate IV	0
Diploma	0
Advanced Diploma	0

*QCAA 2020 Cohort Summary as at 16 February 2021

Staff



Teacher Qualifications

Qualification	Percentage of Teaching Staff and College Leadership who hold this qualification
Doctorate	8.3%
Masters	8.3%
Bachelor	66.7%
Diploma	8.3%
Certificate	8.3%

Staff Retention Rate – (2019 – 2020)

79%

Professional Development

All members of the teaching staff participated in Professional Development and Learning throughout 2020. Throughout the year, the College ran in-house professional development as well as engaging in funded programs run by Independent Schools Queensland and the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority. All College teaching staff were involved in professional learning activities. Total expenditure on professional development was \$16046. This equates to \$1337 per staff member.

Staff Attendance Rate

Teaching Staff	Non-Teaching	Total
97.2%	99%	97.8%

Culture

Social Climate

College staff passionately invest in nurturing student growth through an intentional combination of pastoral care and student centred learning experiences. Knowing both who students are, as well as how they learn sit as central pillars within the College community, enabling the expression of the College motto '*Character, Community & Excellence*' to be evidenced in all aspects of College life.

At Discovery Christian College, every member of the College community has the right to be treated with respect, dignity and understanding hence, there is a zero tolerance approach to bullying behaviour. Incidents are dealt with through the College's Character Development Framework. Any reports of bullying are carefully documented and fully investigated.

- **Pastoral Care:** The College utilises a mixed gendered year level based Pastoral Care program, enabling the intentional development of support networks and connections.
- **House Groups:** Each student belongs to one of four house groups which add an additional framework for whole school competition, in sporting and cultural domains.

Parental Involvement

Parents are regularly invited to participate in College events and activities. In addition to this, parents are involved in focus groups and workshops with College leadership staff to provide feedback and suggestions regarding educational and strategic aspects of the College. Parents are actively encouraged to be a part of all College events.

- **P&F:** Parents meet monthly for the purpose of facilitating College events and opportunities for interaction amongst the College community.

Parent, Student and Teacher Satisfaction with the College

Throughout 2020, a number of forums, focus groups and parent surveys were conducted with parents, staff and students as a means to ascertain feedback on College operations along with strategic and educational aspects of the College feedback. This feedback was used to shape subject selections along with broader performance objectives for the College, including the College's strategic plan.

Financial Data

Myschool website: <https://www.myschool.edu.au/>

Curriculum

The College is structured into two sub-schools with a unique focus for each school. The College website provides information on the curriculum in each school. In Primary School, the College follows the Australian Curriculum, with specialist teachers engaged in teaching Art, Physical Education and Music to all Primary students. In Secondary School, specialist teachers are employed in all subjects enabling deep authentic engagement for student in all curriculum areas.

Further detail regarding the distinctive curriculum offerings at the College can be found via the College website.

Primary School (Prep-Year 6): [LINK](#)

Secondary School (Year 7-Year 12): [LINK](#)

Co-Curricular

The College offers a wide range of co-curricular activities, enabling students to excel in a diverse range of pursuits that complement the academic program of the College.

Performing Arts

Primary Choir	Dinner Theatre	Musical
College Band	Instrumental Music	Music Showcase

Sport

Athletics	Netball	Soccer	Surfing
Touch Football	Cross Country	Swimming	Regional Sport
Basketball	Table Tennis	AFL (Auskick)	

Activities

Surf Academy	Culture Crew	Chess Club
Careers Expo	Year Level Camps	Marine Science Camps