

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

## What's The Rivers Secondary College (TRSC) all about?

- The College was gazetted in 2015 to strengthen student opportunities and build capacity through collaboration and sharing of resources and expertise.
- TRSC is made up of Kadina High Campus (KHC), Lismore High Campus (LHC) and Richmond River High Campus (RRHC). With over 1600 students, TRSC is well resourced to support the largest cohort of secondary students in Lismore.
- Our purpose is working together to ensure every student is Safe, Supported & Successful with a bright future.
- We value Equity, Excellence and Engagement.
- TRSC is inclusive accepting all students regardless of background, economic status and intellectual ability.
- TRSC high expectations for our staff and students.
- Tolerance and understanding are promoted, and we respect diversity, preparing young people to be resilient and successful post school.
- We have more than 200 highly trained staff members who work together to support young people.
- We have strong connections with our feeder primary schools.
- Students are offered a wider breath of curriculum in Years 11 and 12 through a shared curriculum model.
- As a College, we are able to offer more programs, events and opportunities for students.
- We have a strong focus on developing critical and creative thinkers through our Rivers Academy of STEM Excellence (RASE).

## Which Campus should I send my child to?

- Your zoned Campus. You can determine this using the school intake tool. There are dedicated staff at all, each has programs to support students' individual needs.
- Every Campus offers a broad and flexible curriculum with a range of Cross-Campus senior courses, High Achiever and Support Classes.
- Each Campus has a unique identity that contributes to College identity. The Principals and staff work together to align processes and procedures.
- To enrol your child, contact your zoned Campus to make an appointment with the Principal or do an online enrolment application.

### How are students at TRSC supported?

- TRSC has policies and procedures in place to ensure our students are safe and supported with positive discipline and strong wellbeing programs.
- Individual student needs and abilities are met and supported through specialist intervention, remediation and extension.



The heart of secondary education for Lismore

- TRSC is inclusive of all students from diverse backgrounds where achievement is encouraged and celebrated.
- Students are engaged in classrooms with expert teachers who build positive rapport and relationships by knowing, valuing and caring for their students.
- Our staff work in partnership with parents and carers to best support our students.
- TRSC has strong partnerships with police, health and community organisations to proactively support students with social, physical and emotional needs.
- Due to our collective size we can offer a larger range of academic subjects.
- Vocational Education and pathways prepare students with the skills, capabilities and confidence to successfully enter the workforce.
- Creative and Performing Arts are strongly fostered. Students have access to college-wide
  ensembles that draw on the skills of highly qualified teaching staff and allow for greater
  access to performance and competitive opportunities.

#### How do you support students with additional needs? How does my child access it?

- Each Campus has support classes with highly qualified and committed classes to support students with additional needs.
- You can make an application to the school and a regional panel will decide in regards to the placement.
- We have access to specialist DoE itinerant support staff.
- Individualised learning plans are developed and adjustments made to support students.
- Funding support can be applied for to access SLSO's and additional resources or access to specialist equipment.
- Literacy and numeracy intervention and small group support is in place.

## What facilities does your Campus offer?

- Sporting fields, specialised curriculum rooms, spacious grounds, agricultural plots.
- Trade training facilities in Construction, Metal & Engineering, Hospitality and Primary Industries.
- Specialist rooms- dance studio, entertainment and creative and performing arts spaces, art rooms, gymnasiums, science laboratories and technology spaces.