



# ANNUAL REPORT 2020

Freshwater Christian College  
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## Freshwater Christian College

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### Mission Statement

Life | Love | Learn

### School sector

Freshwater Christian College is a private, independent, interdenominational Christian school

Associated Christian Schools - member school  
Christian Schools Australia – member school  
Independent Schools Queensland - member school

### Year Levels Offered

Prep to Year 12

### Co-educational or single sex

Co-educational

### Characteristics of the Student Body

52% Boys

48% Girls

8% Indigenous

0.1% International

21.4% Junior Primary (P-2)

32.2% Senior Primary (3-6)

35.1% Junior Secondary (7-10)

11.3% Senior Secondary (11-12)

### Total enrolments

565 students (as at August 2020)



## Workforce Information - Staff Composition, including Indigenous Staff

Type of staff	Male Headcount	Male Full Time Equivalent	Female Headcount	Female Full Time Equivalent
Teaching	14	14.4	33	29.1
Non-Teaching	3	1.8	34	26.5
Operations and Maintenance	6	5.4	3	2.3

Qualification of all teachers	Percentage of classroom teachers and school leaders at the school
Doctorate or higher	0%
Masters	13%
Bachelor Degree	75%
Diploma	12%

(as at August 2020)

## Funding Information - School Income Broken Down by Funding Source

Details of Freshwater Christian College's income can be found on the My School website <http://www.myschool.edu.au>

## Social Climate - Parent, teacher and student satisfaction with the school

The College views its relationship with parents as a partnership in their child's education, therefore parents are encouraged to be involved in their child's education at the level that suits them best. This may be as classroom helpers in literacy and numeracy programs, arts coordinators, camp helpers, sports coaches, guest lecturers or coming along to the classroom to assist or view students' presentations.

Our volunteer program 'Freshwater Friends' continues to grow and Parents are welcome to volunteer in specific areas within the College, including the Library, Café and Horticulture Program.

Our Parent Class Ambassador program continues to go from strength to strength. The Parent Class Ambassador is a volunteer who, under the guidance of our Marketing Communications Officer, provides other parents in their child's class with support, friendship, and care.

The College values all stakeholders, and in order to protect our community from the COVID-19 pandemic, a number of our community engagement activities were moved online or cancelled. We continued to engage with our parents throughout the online learning phase and beyond, with staff making contact at least weekly to provide support for families.

One online parent forum conducted in Term 3 2020 received 82 responses. The following is an extract:

<u>We asked:</u>	<u>Parents/Caregivers responded:</u>
What do you think we are doing well?	'Teaching, parent communication, caring' 'Cleanliness, gentleness' 'Support for students during lockdown was amazing'
What is not going so well?	'Carpark traffic in the afternoons' 'Homework online' 'too much homework'
Is there anything we should stop doing?	38 responses of 'No' or 'Nothing'
What would work better if we changed it?	'hard copy of notices and updates rather than emails'
Other ideas that we should consider?	'more play equipment' 'nature play for all junior primary' 'teach us how to manage our kids learning journey'



## Student Outcomes

### Average student attendance rate (%) for the whole school

Number of possible school days	Total number of days attended	Total number of days absent	Average attendance rate
110,849	102,565	8,258	93%

The average attendance rate for the whole school as a percentage in 2020 was 93%. (Note, 2020 included a 5-day student free week at the end of Term 1 for staff to prepare for online learning and a 5-week period of online learning in Term 2.)

### Average student attendance rate for each year level

Year level	Number of possible attendance days for year level	Number of school days attended	Total number of all student absences	Average attendance rate for a particular year level
Prep	5,115	4,767	348	93.2%
Year 1	8,267	7,559	708	91.4%
Year 2	7,387	6,893	494	93.3%
Year 3	7,805	7,259	546	93.0%
Year 4	7,834	7,345	489	93.8%
Year 5	8,690	7,915	776	91.1%
Year 6	9,863	9,111	753	92.4%
Year 7	9,331	8,499	832	91.1%
Year 8	10,240	9,554	687	93.3%
Year 9	10,673	9,944	729	93.2%
Year 10	8,933	8,266	667	95.5%
Year 11	8,146	7,535	612	92.5%
Year 12	8,535	7,918	617	92.8%

## Management of Non Attendance

The College has comprehensive procedures to manage non-attendance. Parents of absent students are required to contact the College on the morning of the absence to advise the reason why their child is not at school. Parents will be contacted by SMS if they fail to contact the College. Students who are continually absent are counselled.

## NAPLAN results for Years 3, 5, 7, 9 in 2020

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, NAPLAN testing was cancelled for 2020. Historical details of Freshwater Christian College's NAPLAN results can be found on the My School website [www.myschool.edu.au](http://www.myschool.edu.au)



# Next Step 2021 Post-School Destinations

## Freshwater Christian College



This is a summary of the post-school destinations of students from Freshwater Christian College who completed Year 12 and gained a Senior Statement in 2020. The results are from the *Year 12 Completers Survey*, which is conducted approximately six months after students completed Year 12.



For more information about the survey visit the *Next Step* website [www.qld.gov.au/nextstep](http://www.qld.gov.au/nextstep). Regional and statewide reports will be available from October 2021.



### 73.3% response rate

22 out of 30 Year 12 completers from this school responded to the 2021 survey.  
*Results may not be representative of all Year 12 completers at this school.*

### Post-school destinations



In 2021, 95.5% of Year 12 completers from Freshwater Christian College were engaged in education, training or employment in the year after they completed school.



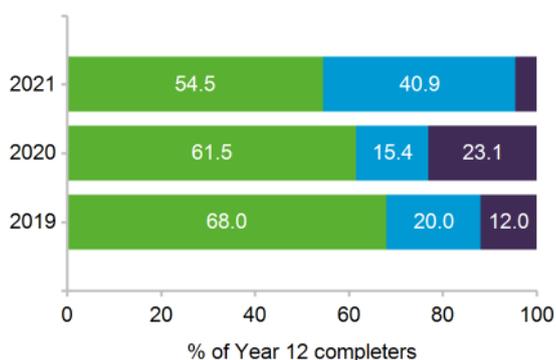
Of the 22 respondents, 54.5% continued in some recognised form of education and training. The most common study destination was bachelor degree.



A further 40.9% transitioned directly into paid employment and no further study.

All Year 12 completers were assigned to a *main destination*. Respondents who were both studying and working are reported as being in education or training, including apprentices and trainees.

Engagement over time



■ Education or training  
■ Employment only  
■ Not in education, employment or training

Main Destination in 2021

