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Bendigo Senior Secondary College offers a wide range of services, activities and opportunities to support the development of all students.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The college offers a wide range of extra curricular and co-curricular activities. Students may join a large number of clubs or organisations which focus on activities as diverse as environmental management, performing arts and debating. An activities program operates which encourages student involvement in social activities to promote student interaction and college connectedness. Each year students participate in the Energy Breakthrough, where they have won numerous awards and prizes.

Guest speakers, performers and special events feature prominently in the college calendar and provide opportunities for personal growth and enjoyment for all students.

SPORT

Students are able to participate in a full range of sporting endeavours. The college has an outstanding reputation for the sporting performances of its students in both team and individual sports.

The college boasts state, national and world champions in a range of sports and is proud of its ability to support the academic progress of its many elite athletes.

PERFORMING ARTS

The college offers students the opportunity to pursue their passion through a range of VCE and VET Performing Arts programs as well as through participation in the combined college bands.

Students are able to choose from Music Styles, Music Performance, Drama, Dance and Theatre Studies. Regular group and individual performances provide an opportunity for students to showcase their talents to parents, other students and the wider community.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

As the first government school in the world to achieve accreditation with the Council of International Schools, Bendigo Senior Secondary College has a strong international focus.

Each year the college hosts full fee paying and exchange students from around the world and these students bring a vibrancy and international flavour to the college to increase the international mindedness and global perspective of all students.

Students have the opportunity to participate in overseas trips to countries such as Italy, Greece, Germany, France, China and Indonesia. The college has sister schools in China, Germany and Indonesia.

STUDENT WELLBEING

Each student at the college is supported by an Advisor who is one of their teachers. The Advisor oversees each student's general welfare and academic progress and assists them in all aspects of their education at the college.

Wellbeing programs and activities are provided for students through workshops. Individual guidance is provided during regular one-on-one meetings with the student's Advisor. Wellbeing workshops range from academic support to health information, relaxation techniques and coping with exam stress.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

The college offers a wide range of Student Support Services. Student Coordinators are available to discuss any issues or concerns about enrolment, course planning, illness, special provision or other matters with students and parents.

Additional support can be accessed through Counsellors, Social Workers, a Health Promotion Officer and an onsite GP and Mental Health Nurse.

SUPPORT FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS AND NEW ARRIVAL ESL STUDENTS

The Koorie program provides support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students through our Bendigo Indigenous Homework Centre (BIHC) and through the Wannik Senior Tutorial Program. Our New Arrival English Second Language (ESL) students are provided with ESL and homework support through our ESL VCAL program and Bendigo ESL Learning Support program (BELS).

Providing
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for personal growth



STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities are welcomed at the college. The Student Support Coordinator works with students and their families to ensure their individual needs are met during their time at the college and assists with the transition to post-school options.

Additional services such as literacy and numeracy support are also available for students.

STUDENT COUNCIL

The college encourages students to develop their leadership capacity. Opportunities are provided for students to develop these attributes through academic, sporting and cultural pursuits.

Student Council plays a key role in shaping the direction of the college. Members of Student Council are representative of all areas of the student body and accept responsibility for organising student activities, providing leadership and having input into college planning. Student Council contribute as part of the Education Committee, School Council, Pathways Review and Old Gold.

Find out more

- Visit the College website at www.bssc.edu.au;
- Attend one of our Parent Information Evenings or our Open Days held in May and July each year;
- Read the College Program and Subject Selection Guide, which contains all the information you need to plan your program at BSSC. The guide includes a full list of courses and subject offerings and is available in July each year; is accessible from the College website;
- Read *The Next Step*, an annual publication summarising student options;
- Attend the BSSC Step Up Program and a BSSC Parent/Student Information Session held in November/December;
- Contact the college on (03) 5443 1222 or email us at admin@bssc.edu.au.

