SENIOR SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING

MOUNTAIN CREEK
STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Year 12

Acknowledgement to Country

I would like to acknowledge the Gubbi Gubbi people, who are the traditional owners of this land, where we gather today. I wish to pay my respects to our elders past, present and emerging.

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Administration Team

Mike Anderson
Executive Principal

Donna Lancaster
Principal
Senior Secondary

Craig Hegarty
Principal
Junior Secondary

Angela Hix
Deputy Principal
Senior Secondary

Carmel D'Arcy
Deputy Principal
Junior Secondary

Kate Benfield
Deputy Principal
Inclusion

Mark Swan
Dean of Students

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Year 12 Management Team

- Each Year level has a dedicated year level management team including the Head of Year, Heads of Department and a member of the Administration team.

Angela Hix
Deputy Principal Senior Secondary

Mark Thompson
Head of Year 11

Tina Smithard
Head of Department Senior School

Sandro Cossa
Head of Department Design Technologies

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What will we cover….

- Past success
- Expectations for year 12’s
- QCE and ATAR
- Pathways
- Past ATARs and pathways

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2025 Success

TOP 10 QCAA ATARS

- Tristan S - 99.15
- Samuel D - 98.75
- Raiyan K - 98.45
- Cloe T - 96.9
- Sarah M - 96.55
- Harley B - 96.25
- Ava K - 96.2
- Miller T - 95.75
- Boston B - 95.4
- Evelyn S - 94.2

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100% QCAA QCE attained

2025 RESULTS

- 7 % of ATARs above 95
- 19 % of ATARs above 90
- 14 School-Based Traineeships Awarded
- 1 Diploma Awarded
- 153 Certificate III's Awarded
- 181 Certificate II's Awarded
- 27 Certificate I's Awarded

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What the Expectations are for the Senior Enrolment agreement

- Post Compulsory students
- Choose to be at school
- It is the students responsibility to fulfil the Senior enrolment agreement around:
  - Attendance
  - Effort and Behaviour
  - Submission of Assessment

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How to meet the Expectations

- Maximise days attended
- Completing drafts and assigned homework tasks
- Completing all set modules and class work
- Exemplary behaviour
- Attending all scheduled assessment
- AARA (extension)– apply if required (illness, misadventure and requires documentation)
- Let HOY know early of any support needed
- 12 Team track and check in weekly meetings

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First Alerts

- 3 step process if not meeting expectations
  - Behaviour
  - Academic
  - Well being

Warning of Cancellation

Cancellation

Supports put in place to assist in not getting to Cancellation stage

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ATAR & QCE

20 points

Score out of 100

The Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) and the ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank) are different and have a different purpose.

QCE

Certifies learning, showing the individual has achieved a specific standard of education at senior schooling level and may be considered by employers and the general community.

ATAR

Tells us about a student's position (or ranking) compared to all other students in the state. The only intended purpose for the ATAR is to assist with selecting applicants for tertiary study.

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How does the QCE work?

- Set amount: 20 credits
- Set pattern:
  - 12 credits from completed Core courses
  - 8 credits from Core, Preparatory & Complementary courses
- Satisfactory completion
- Literacy & numeracy
- Academic Integrity Course

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Tertiary entrance

- The ATAR is used nationally to measure a student's position relative to other ATAR-eligible students.
- The Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) will calculate and issue ATARs.

QTAC CHOOSE THE FUTURE

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ATAR eligibility

- To be eligible for an ATAR, students must successfully complete:
  - 5 General subjects, or
  - 4 General subjects + 1 Applied subject or completed VET qualification at Certificate III or above.
- Students must also successfully complete an English subject.

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ATAR eligibility and scaling

- Changes every year
- In general terms more rigorous subjects will scale higher
- Caution: Don’t choose subjects because you think a subject will scale higher. Choose subjects because you are good at and you know you can do well.

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QTAC | CHOOSE THE FUTURE

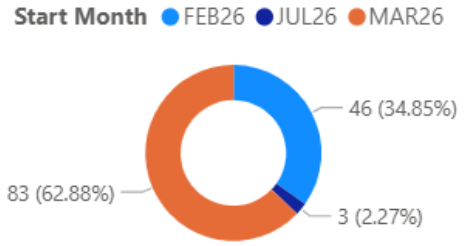
Year 12 Insights

Year Admissions: All

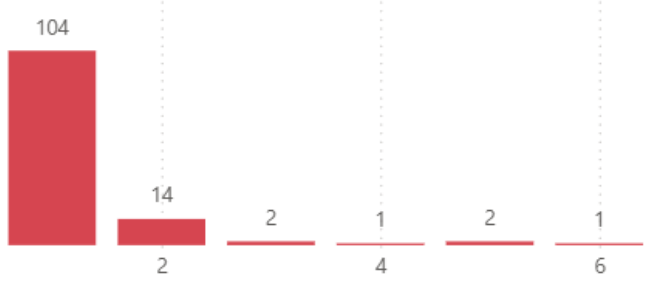
HIGHLIGHTS

138 of your Year 12 students have applied through QTAC for tertiary study.

Preferred start date^



Offers by preference number



^ Based on the first preference of each student's QTAC Application

QTAC APPLICATIONS

Number of Applications from your students for the following institutions

Institution	Applications
University of the Sunshine Coast	74
Queensland University of Technology	25
The University of Queensland	20
Griffith University	8
CQUniversity	2
James Cook University	1
SAE University College	1
University of Southern Queensland	1

Your students' preferred study areas^

Study Area	Applications
Health (e.g Pharmacy, Veterinary Science, Naturopathy, Speech Pathology)	49
Society and Culture (e.g. Law, Economics, Psychology, Sport & Recreation)	23
Engineering (e.g Chemical, Automotive, Civil, Aerospace, Biomedical, Surveying)	17
Education (e.g. Early Childhood, Primary, Secondary)	10
Natural and Physical Sciences (e.g. Mathematics, Physics, Laboratory Technology)	9

QTAC Offers

Your students have been offered at the following institutions

Institution	Offers
University of the Sunshine Coast	71
Queensland University of Technology	21
The University of Queensland	13
Griffith University	11
Australian Catholic University	1
SAE University College	1
University of Southern Queensland	1

Your students' offered study areas^

Study Area	Offers
Health (e.g Pharmacy, Veterinary Science, Naturopathy, Speech Pathology)	40
Society and Culture (e.g. Law, Economics, Psychology, Sport & Recreation)	23
Engineering (e.g Chemical, Automotive, Civil, Aerospace, Biomedical, Surveying)	16
Education (e.g. Early Childhood, Primary, Secondary)	11
Natural and Physical Sciences (e.g. Mathematics, Physics, Laboratory Technology)	10
Management and Commerce (e.g. Hospitality Management, Banking &	7

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Internal Assessment

- The more points students can bank in their 3 internal assessments the better

Senior Schooling

Class ID	Staff ID	QCE Unit 1	QCE Unit 2	QCE U 3&4	24	ATAR IA1	ATAR IA2	ATAR IA3	ATAR EA/IA4	ATAR Assessed	ATAR Est. Final
ENG122E	DOOLKY	S	s		4	19/25	21/25	13/25	/25	75	70.7%
MAG122F	FOXCR	S	S		4	16/20	10/15	11/15	/50	50	74%
BIO122B	COPEAL	S	S		4	8/10	16/20	17/20	/50	50	82%
MRN122C	GREIKY	S	S		4	6/10	16/20	16/20	/50	50	76%
FTM122A	JOHNSE	S	S		4	13/15	22/25	30/35	/25	75	86.7%
AQP111B	DALRJA	S			4						

VET 8/10/24

Note: This information is provided as a guide only. The decision for awarding the QCE will be made and certified by the QCAA.

awarded / estimated

QCE Learning Name	Est	Est Points	Category
Cert III in Fitness	25%	2	Core
Cert II in Outdoor Recreation	100%	4	Core

QCE

Est. subj	24
Est. VET	6
Est. Other	
Est. Total	30
Est. Core	28

LIT ☐ Ov.

NUM ☐ Ov.

D.E.

SAT

Offsite

Notes

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External Assessment

Reminder

- Maths and Science – 50% exams
- All other general subjects – 25%
- Dates of external Exams:
  - Week 4 Term 4 27/10 – until Week 7 21/11
  - Schedule will be released in Term 3

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SUCCESS STORIES

98.9 ATAR

Subject	Final result
Chemistry	93/100
Physics	91/100
Maths Methods	96/100
Maths Specialist	95/100
Engineering	94/100
English	85/100

Bachelor of Engineering(Honours)/Master of Engineering UQ

98.75 ATAR

Subject	Final result
Biology	97/100
Japanese	97/100
Chemistry	95/100
Literature	95/100
Maths Methods	94/100
Modern History	93/100

Doctor of Medicine-bonded/Medical Program UQ

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SUCCESS STORIES

ATAR 94.7

Subject	Final result
English	90/100
Design	97/100
Marine Science	94/100
Math Methods	94/100
Physics	93/100

Bachelor Dietetics Honours

ATAR 94.7

Subject	Final result
Literature	82/100
Chemistry	83/100
Physics	90/100
Math Methods	89/100
Specialist	79/100
Psychology	87/100

Bachelor Engineering Honours

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SUCCESS STORIES

ATAR 87.55

Subject	Final result
Marine Science	86/100
Biology	93/100
Math Method	64/100
Literature	84/100
Health	89/100
Cert III Fitness	Awarded
	Bachelor of Speech Pathology ACU

ATAR 86.85

Subject	Final result
Literature	89/100
Health	81/100
Math Methods	69/100
Ancient History	89/100
Psychology	85/100
	Bachelor of Primary Education UQ

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Vocational Pathway 2025 results

Number of students awarded a VET qualification:	
Certificate I	27
Certificate II	181
Certificate III	153
Certificate IV	1
Diploma	1
Advanced Diploma	0

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Example of Student Pathways:

- Students who studied Cert III in Childcare are working in the Early Childhood Sector
- School based apprenticeships continuing ie Plumbing and Electrical
- Students who have studied Cert III in Health Services have continued on to the Diploma in Nursing or Bachelor of Nursing
- Defence force
- Management in Business

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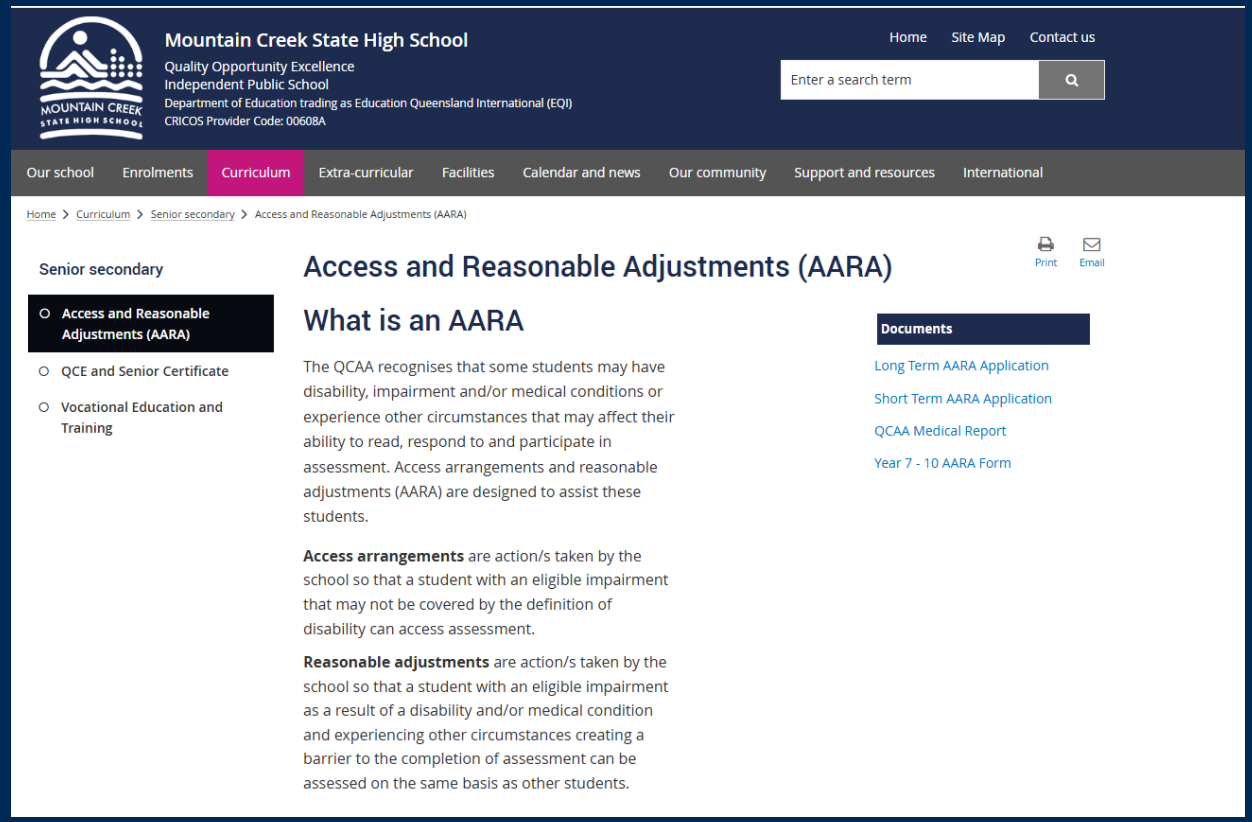
AARA's

- Forms and process can be found on School Website: https://mountaincreekshs.eq.edu.au/curriculum/senior-secondary/access-and-reasonable-adjustments-aara
- Outlines AARA eligibility:



✔ Eligible	✖ Not Eligible
Disability: • cognitive • physical • sensory • social/emotional **Plus:** • illness • misadventure (unforeseen circumstances that are outside of the student's control, e.g. accident, death of a family member)	• unfamiliarity with the English language • teacher absence or other teacher-related difficulties • matters that the student could have avoided, e.g. misreading an examination timetable, misreading instructions in examinations • timetable clashes • matters of the student's or parent's/carer's own choosing, e.g. family holidays, sporting events • matters that the school could have avoided, e.g. incorrect enrolment in a subject

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Keys to Success

- Bank as many points as possible prior to external exams (every General subject out of 100)
- Work hard in class
- Hand in full drafts!!
- Attend tutorials
- Complete all modules for certificate courses
- Understand university pre requisites, Assumed knowledge, recommended study (do your research)
- Explore options
- Know your QCE POINTS

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2026 Parent Communication

QParents

For Consent Management and payments

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Compass

Helping Learning Thrive.

For Attendance, all other communication and more...

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QParents

For Excursions Consent and payments only

Sign in to the QParents website or download the app

Download the QParents App for free on your favourite platform.

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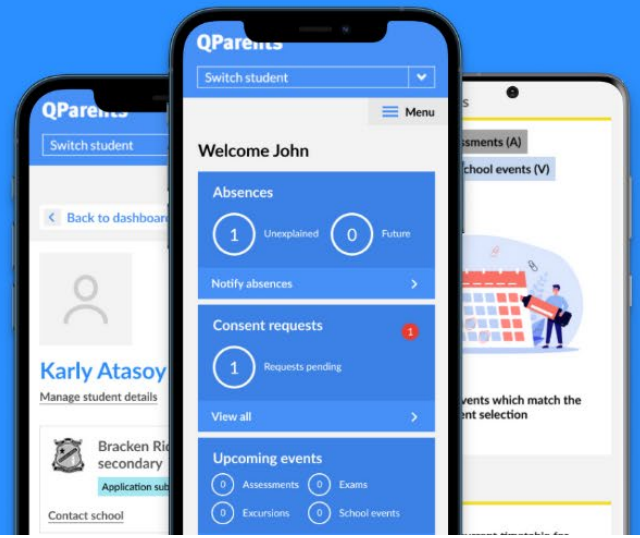
Download on the App Store

or

Sign in



Sign-in securely
A range of security measures are in place to protect the privacy of information.

Provide consent
Respond to requests for consent for excursions, photos, etc.

Make payments online
Make payments and view all your invoices in one place.

View academic reports
View and download all report cards.

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Compass

For explaining absences, communications from school and individual teachers, notices, student timetables, calendar and more will come on board as the year progresses

How do I access Compass?

Compass is accessible on any modern web browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox, Chrome, Safari) or by using the Compass iOS or Android apps (continue reading to learn more about the app including how to use it).

To access the parent portal, you can go to your school's website and click the Compass link on their homepage. Alternatively, you can go to schools.compass.education where you can search for our school's direct URL.

To log in you will require your unique family username and password. These details will be provided to you by our school. Upon first login, you will be required to change your password and confirm your email address and mobile phone number. These details may be used by our school for SMS, password recovery and email communication throughout the year.

GET IT ON Google Play

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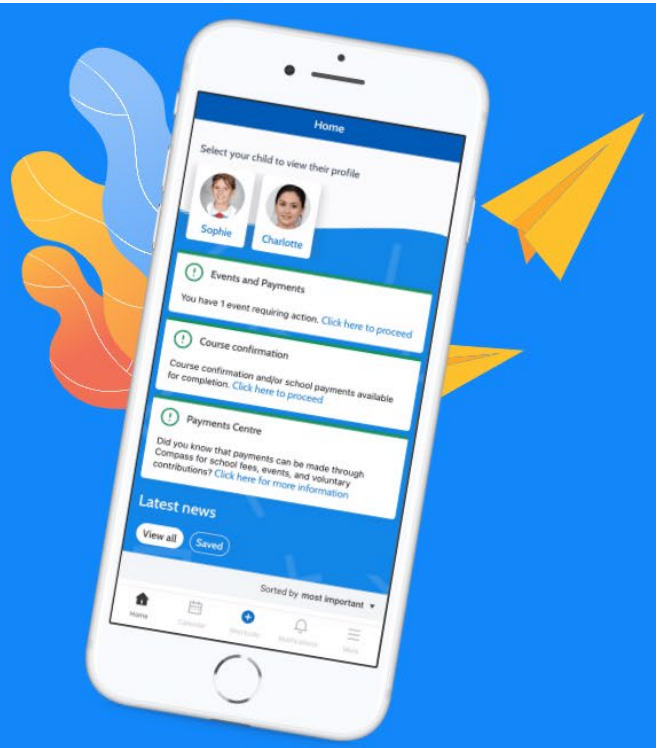

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More information

- myQCE website: myqce.qcaa.qld.edu.au
- QCAA website: www.qcaa.qld.edu.au
- QTAC website: www.qtac.edu.au

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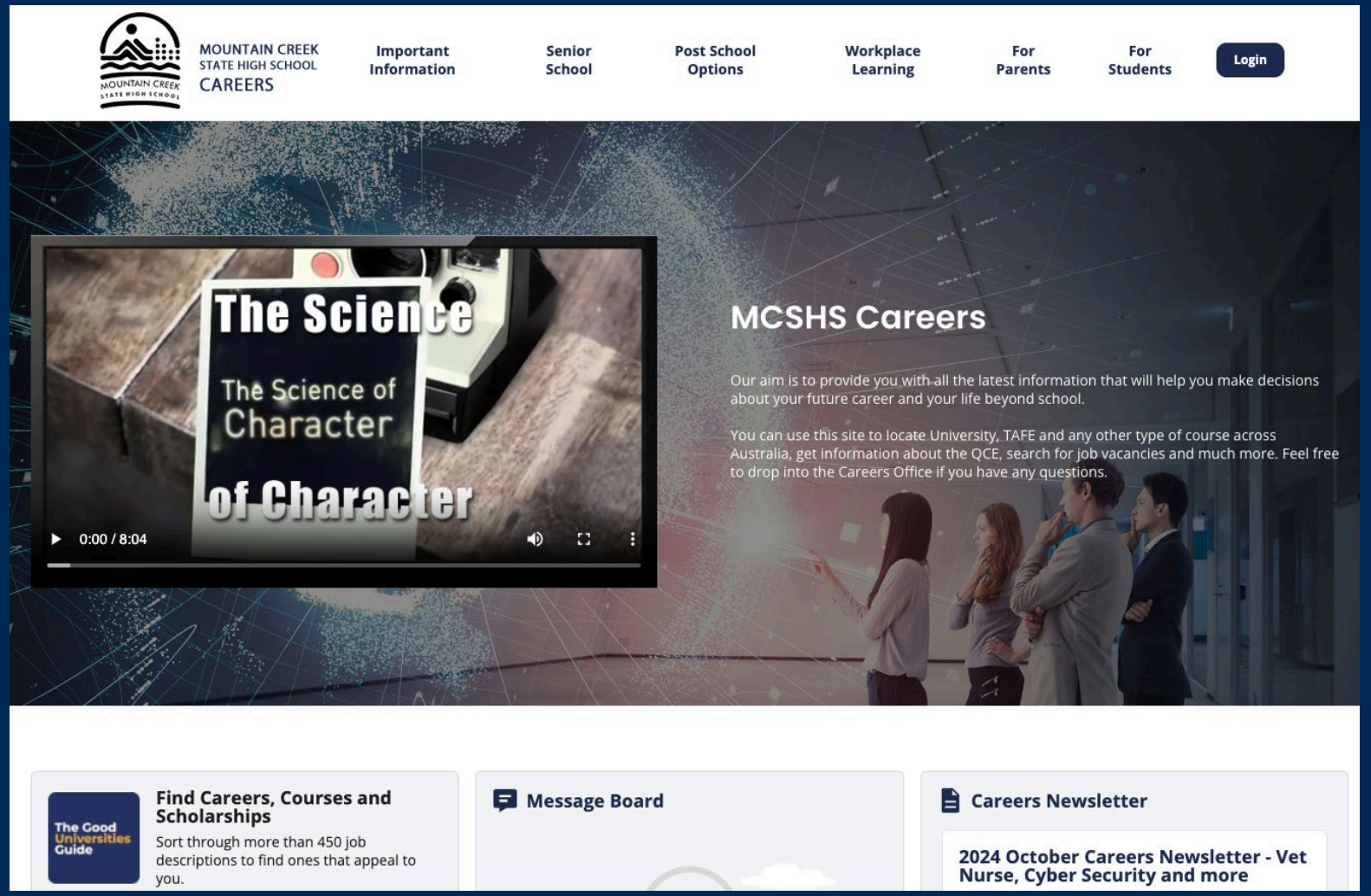
https://mountaincreekshs.eq.edu.au/

Quick links

- Parent information handbook
- ECP Education and Career Planning - Booking
- MCSHS-Student Code of Conduct (2024-2027)
- Year 12 Graduation tickets
- School Improvement Unit Executive Summary 2023
- Investing for success agreement 2022
- Moodle site MCSHS
- Bullying. Stymie that
- The Learning Place and Webmail
- Careers website MCSHS
- BYOD laptop purchasing advice



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Questions?

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Conclusion

Our Core Purpose is to…
Inspire a Love of Learning

Thank you for supporting the school and your student via your attendance this evening.

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