



## Queensland Academies Celebrate Success

Students from the Queensland Academies have scored exceptionally well in the rigorous International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma results announced on 7 January 2010.

The 2009 results:

- 1 student in the top 4% worldwide;
- 3 students in the top 6.62% worldwide
- 11 students in the top 12% worldwide
- All three Academies scored higher than the worldwide November 2008 average score of 30.58.
- 61% of students achieved a score of 30 or higher, compared with 53.04% worldwide.
- 24% of students achieved the highest possible selection rank of 99 for university entrance.

The IB Diploma is recognised by more than 3700 universities worldwide.

## 2009 QAHS Students Excel

Queensland Academy for Health Sciences nurtures academic excellence through university partnerships, eLearning innovations and community connections. Students' successes during 2009 include:

- **28% gained the highest possible Tertiary Entrance Rank of 99.**
- **9 QAHS students awarded University Scholarships** including the Australian National University, Bond University, Griffith University, the University of Queensland and the University of Tasmania.
- **77% 2009 Year 12 cohort offered GUARANTEED ENTRY into university before graduating school.**
- **14 QAHS students successfully completed the Griffith University Health Sciences Certificate to gain access into 2nd year tertiary courses in 2010.** The relationship QAHS has with Griffith University is very strong and hugely beneficial for both the university and the students at QAHS.
- 3 out of the 16 national finalists for the BHP Billiton Science Competition were QAHS students.
- 1 QAHS student was one of 3 national finalists in the International Stockholm Junior Water Prize Competition.
- **168 QAHS students received awards in the national CSIRO CREST Award Competition, 5 were Gold, 24 Silver and 139 Bronze.**
- QAHS students won the Best Overall Senior School for the Griffith University Gold Coast Schools Science Competition 2008 & 2009.
- QAHS Year 10 students completed the Rio Tinto National Science Competition achieving a school average 12% higher than national average.
- **QAHS participation in the National Mathematics Competition produced 1 student in the 100th percentile. Of the QAHS students who received awards, 3 were High Distinctions, 14 Distinctions, with over 63% of Year 12 receiving a Credit or above.**
- QAHS has placed in the top two schools in the Griffith University Science & Engineering challenge for the past two years.