

Health Sciences Campus 2012 Successes

Our students have scored well in the rigorous International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma with results from 2012 as follows:

- Our average Diploma score was 35 (median 36) in 2012 (the worldwide Nov 2011 average was 30.7)
- Our top IB score was 43 which is in the top 2% worldwide
- All students are now in first or second year of tertiary studies
- 24% of students received an equivalent tertiary entrance rank of 99 (Tertiary entrance rank of 99 = OP1 - state 3%) and 100% OP 1-15 equivalent (state 79%)

University Credit achieved for 2012 graduates

- 453 course credits for Griffith University
- 169 course credits for the University of Queensland
- 170 course credits for the Queensland University of Technology

Queensland Academy for Health Sciences nurtures academic excellence through university partnerships, e-Learning innovations and community connections. Students are engaged in a broad range of opportunities. Just some of QAHS successes during 2012 include:

- **Six out of the 16 national finalists for the 2013 BHP Billiton Science Competition were QAHS Students.** Multiple school finalists are unusual and our history in this event is excellent.
- **The 2012 Australian Stockholm Junior Water Prize winner was again from QAHS.**
- **54 QAHS students received awards in the 2012 national CSIRO CREST Award Competition, 10 Gold, 10 Silver and 34 Bronze.** In the last four years, QAHS has won more than a quarter of the Gold Awards presented since CSIRO CREST Awards begun in 1995. A phenomenal achievement and recognition of how our students are challenging what is possible and pushing the boundary of what excellence in education is.
- **72% of students achieved a credit or above and 45% of students received a High Distinction or Distinction on the Australian Chemistry Competition.**
- **QAHS was the winning school in the Gold Coast Science Competition Senior School division for the fifth year running.** Student results included: 4 x 1st Places, 3 x 2nd Places, 4 x 3rd Places, 1 x Highly Commended Awards.
- **9 students won prizes at the 2012 Science Teachers' Association Queensland Science Competition with a number of students also receiving a bursary.**
- **Students received one High Distinction and five Distinctions in the Australian Science Olympiad.**
- **University of NSW ICAS English - our students in all year levels achieved well above the state mean in every facet of the testing components.** Awards included 8 High Distinctions, 50 Distinctions and 112 Credits.
- **QAHS were world champions in the International < 50 Language Perfect French Competition.**
- **Our chess team was the best overall in the Gold Coast Chess Competition.**
- **A number of students were selected for regional and state sporting teams.**
- **99% of Year 10 students gained a Certificate III in Laboratory Techniques or Certificate III in Active Volunteering.**
- **A group of QAHS students undertook the Health Studies Certificate at Griffith University concurrently with their Year 12 IB studies, achieving 4 High Distinctions, 6 Distinctions and 12 Credits across the courses.**
- **Two teachers were finalists in the Queensland College of Teachers Excellence Awards with one teacher taking out the top Award for Excellent Leadership in Teaching and Learning 2012 .**
- **Two QAHS students attended the 2012 Annual Student Research Skills in Doha, Qatar, representing Australia.**
- **QAHS won the Peter Doherty "Best Science School Award" for 2012.**
- **QAHS was recognized with a Commendation in the Brian Bahnisch Awards for Excellence in "Ready Research Project".**