



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.