



Year 7 to Secondary Campus 2019

When will St Michael's College be accepting enrolments for Year 7 at the Secondary Campus?
Enrolments for both Year 7 boys and girls will be accepted from 2019 and beyond.

How many students will start in 2019?

We are expecting 10 classes of Year 7 students to begin at the Secondary Campus, which equates to a cohort of 250. Furthermore, we will also have our normal entry of Year 8 students commencing that year.

Why has St Michael's College made the decision to move Year 7 students?

The move aligns perfectly with our philosophy at St Michael's College of encouraging, inspiring and supporting our students to realise their full potential. Research has shown that access to specialist teachers and purpose built facilities results in improved learning outcomes for students. For example, Year 7 students will be taught in a Science lab by an experienced science teacher and have the opportunity to experience specialist subjects such as Technology and Performing Arts. Furthermore, the secondary environment provides young adolescents with age appropriate support for their social and emotional wellbeing.

How will the Year 7 classes be structured?

The Year 7 students will remain in the same Pastoral class for all subjects, with the exception of electives. The classes will be same sex and their Pastoral teacher will also teach the students for at least one subject. Furthermore, a small team of teachers will teach the Year 7 students. This enables the students to forge close bonds with fellow classmates and their teachers. This structure has been very successful transitioning Year 8 students at the College.



What Year 7 transition program will St Michael's College put in place?

The College will offer support to the new students by way of several initiatives: -

- Strong Pastoral support program
- A buddy system
- Dedicated Year 7 Level Director
- Orientation day visits
- Dedicated Year 7 area for recess and lunch
- Q&A forums for both parents and students

How will St Michael's College accommodate the extra students at the Secondary Campus?

The College will commence a major building project in January 2017 which will include a state of the art Senior Learning Centre. This area will be completed by early 2018 and accommodate the Year 12 students. The new Year 7 students will be located in their own dedicated area, with a courtyard and free access to the ovals.

When will the 2019 enrolments close for both Year 7 & 8 places?

The last day of enrolments will be **13 April 2017**.