



Macarthur Anglican School

STUDENT ATTENDANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF NON-ATTENDANCE

Attendance

The average daily student attendance rate for 2023 was 91.6%. This is slightly higher than the attendance rate reported for 2022 of 91.45%. The attendance rates shown below for Years 1 to 10 are the rates reported in the School Student Attendance Report (STATS) for 2023 to the Australian Government Department of Education. Rates calculated for Kindergarten, Years 11 and 12 (below) have been calculated separately. Students granted special extended leave by the Headmaster were not included in this calculation, although absences incurred because of family holidays were included.

The average attendance rate for 2023 for each grade is shown in the following two tables:

Primary Cohorts

Academic Year	Kindergarten	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance Percentage	92.4%	93.7%	93.8%	93.9%	94.1%	93.9%	93.2%

Secondary Cohorts

Academic Year	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
Attendance Percentage	91.8%	87.3%	89.0%	86.0%	88.0%	89.9%

Daily attendance, along with lateness and other partial absences, is monitored carefully by the Heads of School, as poor attendance and lateness have the potential to impact negatively on academic progress. Students are also encouraged to be punctual, reflecting a positive attitude to learning. A reminder to parents is emailed when a student does not provide an explanation from the parent or guardian explaining their absence following their return to school. If an explanation is still not forthcoming within seven days a further letter is emailed to parents.



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2024 RETENTION 10-12 and POST-SCHOOL DESTINATIONS

Year 10 and 11 Students Who Left School in 2023

Percentage of School Leavers			
Students who left at the end of Year 10		Students who left at the end of Year 11	
2023	2022	2023	2022
3/102	3/99	0/98	3/110

Zero (0) Year 11 students left Macarthur in 2023 before completing their HSC. 3 students left at the end of Year 10. 1 student left during the course of their Year 12 studies.

The 2023 Year 10 leavers fell into several groups as determined by information provided to the School by students and their families upon leaving. These destinations are outlined in the table below. Percentages are shown for the 2023 cohort, with the percentages for the past five years' cohorts in the adjacent columns for comparison.

Destination for Students Who Left at the End of Year 10	Previous Years					
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Other schools within the Macarthur area	16%	18%	16%	18%	22%	33%
Other schools outside the Macarthur area	24%	20%	22%	26%	28%	-
Private Colleges		-	-	-	-	-
Apprenticeship Training or TAFE courses	36%	40%	42%	40%	28%	33%
Workforce		-	-	-	-	33%
Unknown	24%	22%	20%	16%	22%	-
Overseas		-	-	-	-	-

These figures show that in 2023, the main reason for students leaving was to attend other schools outside the Macarthur area and students wanting to attend TAFE or training.

Students Completing the HSC

A total of 108 students completed their senior secondary education at Macarthur in 2023, with 99.07% of the group successfully awarded the Higher School Certificate. In addition to this, one student was awarded their HSC Life Skills Certificate.

Post-School Pathways

107 of the 108 Year 12 students applied for an ATAR.

Of these, 95% of students received university offers, and 87% received an early-round offer.

Other university offers included 30% at the University of Sydney, 32% at the University of Technology Sydney, 19% at the University of Wollongong, 26% at the University of New South Wales, 24% at Western Sydney University, 7% at the University of Western Australia, and 10% at other institutions.

Tertiary Courses

These students are now pursuing a diverse range of courses, including (but not limited to) Health Sciences, Medicine, Engineering, Business, Law, Psychology, Information Technology, Architecture, Veterinary Science, Economics and Commerce, Media and Communications, Agriculture, Education and Teaching, Political Science, International Relations, Pharmaceutical Science, Nursing, Aviation, Visual Arts, and Graphic Design.

A small percentage of Year 12 students who completed their HSC are entering the workforce (3%). This is a little less than in previous years.