



STUDY ABROAD FAMILY
INFORMATION



CAIRNS SHS

*Far North
Queensland*

2025



HOME

Discuss with your HOST
family routines



SCHOOL

What to Expect
Day 1

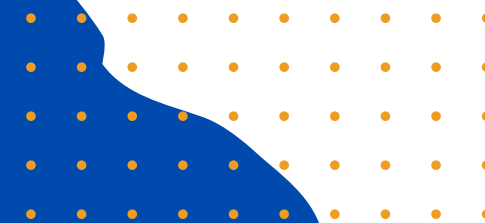
Welcome to CAIRNS



General School Information



General Home Stay Information





About Cairns

LOCATIONS

Cairns State High School is located in the city centre, your host family maybe in the surrounding suburbs. Students are able to take buses (school and public) to travel to school and other places in the area.



Where is the school?
How do I travel to school?
What is close to home and school?



Our School

CLASSROOM MAP

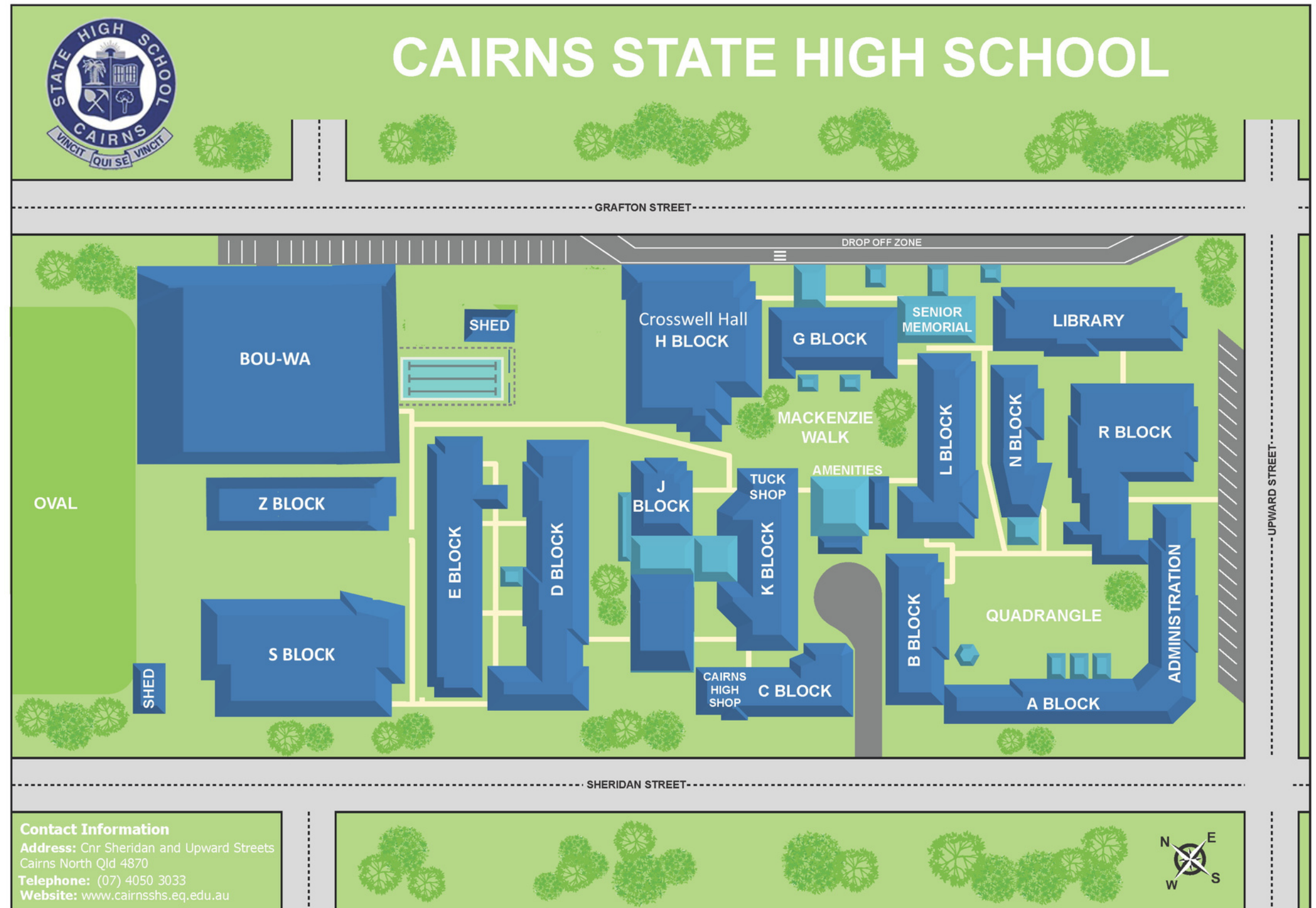
You will have a welcome pack with

- Your timetable
- School Map
- Healthcare Card (Allianz)
- Other Orientation Information



Day 1 Students will have an orientation of the school with the International student staff. There will be a printed map for the students.

LOCATION



Contact Information

Address: Cnr Sheridan and Upward Streets
Cairns North Qld 4870
Telephone: (07) 4050 3033
Website: www.cairnsshs.eq.edu.au



Spaces at Cairns SHS

CHECK IT OUT



LIBRARY

Resources and IT
Support



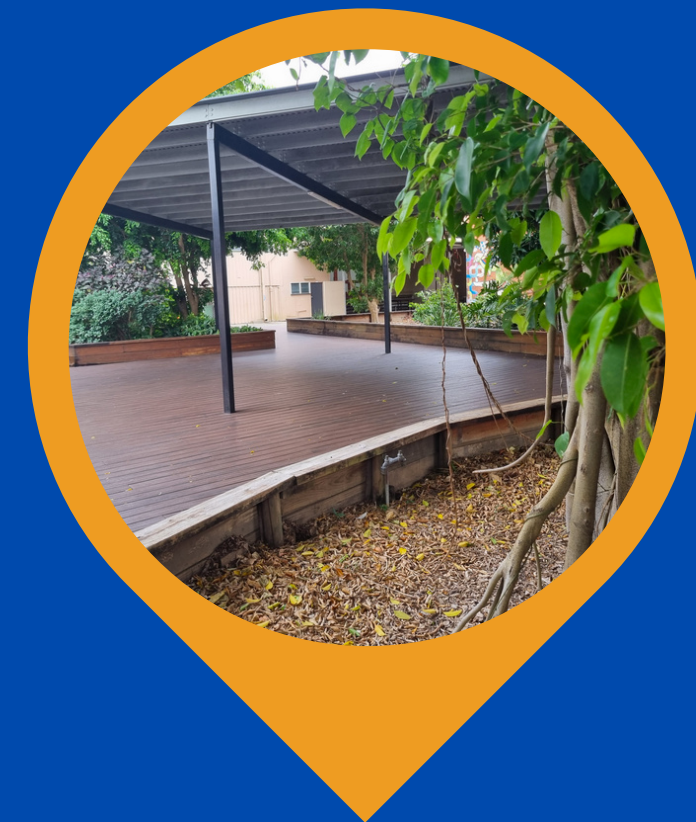
QUAD / A AND R BLOCK

Access to School
Office
International
Student Office



Z BLOCK / BOU WA

Sports
Parades
Events



MCKENZIE WALK

Close to Croswell Hall
School Coffee Shop
Tuckshop / Canteen

Orientation Week **LOCATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**



AUDITORIUM NO 1

**Information
Sessions**



UNIFORM SHOP

**First Day: Organise
Uniforms**



POOL

**Water Skills
Assessment**

Swimming Test



IT SUPPORT AND HELP

**Computer Set up
and support**



Facilities for Students **LOCATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**



STUDENT KITCHEN

**Open to International
Student at 1st Lunch
Second Floor of R Block**



STUDENT KITCHEN

**Fridge and
Microwave
available for lunch**



OVAL

**Student can play
sport at Lunchtimes**



COLD WATER TAP

**Water taps available for
students to refill
waterbottles**



GETTING SETTLED IN

You are here to enjoy new experiences and meet different people.

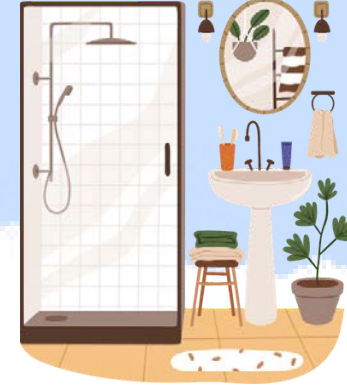
*Talk, **Ask Questions** and Enjoy your time in Cairns.*

Getting to know YOUR HOST FAMILY

- ? Are there any family routines?
- ? Are there activities or sports the family do?
- ? When do they eat meals?
- ? What type of meals do they have?
- ? What is the nighttime routine? (showers, bedtime, technology)
- ? What are the rules around using technology at home?
- ? Do you have a way of contact each other?

Australian Number is required for international students

QUESTIONS *To Discuss*



When are meals in the household?

What do I need to do for breakfast or lunch?

**Can I help?
How do I clean up?**

When does the family need to shower?

Is there a time limit on showers? (water restrictions)

Are there any bathroom /toilet expectations?

Can I have sleepovers with friends?

How do I contact you to let you know about any activities?

Are there any sports or activities that the family do?

Can I join the family in different activities?

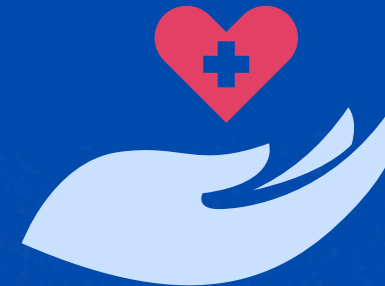
Are there any places the family go to regularly?

Can I put on the aircon in the house – are there any rules?

LEARNING ABOUT THE HOME?

QUESTIONS *To Discuss*

CAIRNS SHS



**Keys to
the house**

**Australian
Phone
Number**

Feeling sick?

Talk to host family.
/ book a doctors appointment
(minor) – telehealth may be
available.

*See International student staff
at School for support.*

**After Hours
1800 QStudy**

Need help or support after
school or on weekends.
Staff on call can help if you are
unsure..... call

1800 778 839

A C C E S S / C O N T A C T A N D S U P P O R T



Frequently Asked

SCHOOL



QUESTIONS

? Can I use my iPad ?

You can use this for your personal study, but the school have laptops you can borrow to allow you to connect to printer and student drives you may be required for your subjects.

? Do I need to do the Water Skills Assessment if I can swim well?

Yes, all international students must complete a water skills assessment (swimming test) and it will be recorded on their profile to allow them to participate in water and swimming activities during their program. If students are unable to complete the skills required their participation in excursions, and activities may be limited.

? Does the school have teams, and activities in the afternoon I can join?

The school have some activities available but for most cases students are welcome to join a sporting club or activity. If this is considered high risk, we require an activity request form to be signed by the parents. Some activities that students can participate in include Interschool sport, swimming and athletics carnivals, cross country, volleyball (boys), participate in program of excellence subjects (football, dance, rugby league).

? Do students need to pay for school excursions?

If there are excursions and activities for your subjects. The school will cover the cost. There may be other experiences that are offered, student will need to pay for these.

? How do I choose my subject?

In 2026, we will have a session to explain the subjects, providing students to ask questions. They will complete the form in Week 1.

Travel Policy

Travel and Activities Form must be completed and submitted to Mrs Wearmouth two weeks prior

Completed Sleepover Forms are due on Thursday Morning before the event.

OVERNIGHT stays

High Risk Activities

TRAVEL OUTSIDE the local area

Dates, Supervisor details, Activities, Accommodation, Contact details and all signatures required



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