

# Bendigo Senior Secondary College

Bendigo Senior Secondary College enjoys a leafy location in Rosalind Park, at the heart of Bendigo city. Its robust population makes the school Victoria's largest Victorian Certificate of Education provider. Wide curriculum choices allow individual students to personalise education pathways and relationships with major Australian universities assist in preparing for further education. The first government school accredited by the Council for International Schools, Bendigo Secondary College boasts a Confucius Classroom and modern English Language Centre on-site.



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<b>Address:</b>	Rosalind Park Bendigo, VIC 3552	<b>Distance from Melbourne city centre:</b>	145 km (Map Reference: Pg 12-13, C11, No. 108)
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<b>Number of students:</b>	1700	<b>Number of international students:</b>	24
<b>Dress:</b>	Non-uniform	<b>Cost of homestay per week:</b>	\$238



## Features of the local area

- Access to modern transport, shops and amenities
- Easy living within 90 minutes from Melbourne
- Outdoor lifestyle featuring gardens, sports, recreation, festivals and events
- Strong historical Chinese connections

## Languages taught

- ☒ Chinese
- ☒ Indonesian
- ☒ French
- ☒ German
- ☒ Auslan

## Special programs

- Confucius Classroom; visiting Chinese teachers promote language and culture
- Microsoft Worldwide Pathfinder Schools program (one of 52 schools worldwide)
- Local mentoring/vocational opportunities
- Exchanges/tours to global sister schools
- Personal computers for all students

## Intensive English Language classes

Provided at on-site English Language Centre

## Student support services and programs

- Award-winning career program and school to university transition pathway advisors
- Health and wellbeing support: counsellors, nurse, visiting doctor
- Experienced team dedicated to international student support
- Regular contact and overseas family visits to report on progress and welfare

## Extracurricular activities

- Student council, international student forums, leadership programs and camps
- Entry support for Science, mathematics, Young Inventors and other competitions
- Cultural celebrations including school tours, festivals and Homestay families events

## Sports offered

Athletics, Australian Rules Football, Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Beach Volleyball, Clay Shooting, Cricket, Cycling, Diving, Golf, Hockey, Lacrosse, Lawn Bowls, Mountain Biking, Netball, Orienteering, Rowing, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Touch Football

## Success story

'Bendigo is the ideal place for teenagers to study because it is very peaceful. Teachers are very helpful and friendly and treat students very nicely.'

– Zhou Yimei – China; 99.9 University Entrance Score; three Premier's Awards, Dux of college and regional top Victorian Certificate of Education student



## Awards

- Victorian Education Excellence Awards – student support excellence, 2009-11
- Microsoft Worldwide Pathfinder School Program, 2010
- Premier's VCE Awards (multiple) – outstanding student performance, 2009-11
- International student VCCA VCE Season of Excellence Award, 2010
- Victorian Student Representative Councils Award, 2010
- Bendigo Young Inventor of the Year – carbon fibre wheel, 2011

## Reasons to choose our school

- ☒ Innovative, multi award-winning college that creates and supports individual student programs
- ☒ Established international student program with advanced resources and modern facilities
- ☒ Lovely garden setting and safe, clean environment with experienced Homestay families