

# Transforming Lives

Providing a **dynamic, transforming, Christ-centred** education.



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**Belmont Christian College is trusted**

by parents, caregivers and the broader community with the noble task of educating children and preparing them to be lifelong learners, and effective and engaged members of society. In short, to succeed.



## OUR ETHOS

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## OUR VISION

The College's vision is that we might be a Christian community which seeks to nurture and train young people to “.. grow up into Christ”.  
(Ephesians 4:15)

## OUR MISSION



To create an environment where each child's individual gifts are fostered, recognising that each child is a unique creation, loved by God.



To create an environment where students are encouraged to love God and to live a life of obedience to Him.



To model Christ to our students in our words and actions.



To provide an environment where children are nurtured, disciplined with love and accepted as valuable members of our community.



To teach the required curricula with a biblical focus thus allowing the students to formulate a Christian world view.

## Our strategic objectives:

1

### A CARING COMMUNITY

Where **students belong** to a **caring community**, that celebrates students' individual gifts and abilities, where they develop into secure, resilient lifelong learners who are encouraged to follow Jesus and are prepared to shape culture by serving their community and beyond.

2

### DYNAMIC TEACHING AND LEARNING

By **dynamic teaching and learning**, where rigour is cultivated and pursued, where individuals find a place to excel, and where our Christian distinctive is central.

3

### CONNECTED TO THE COMMUNITY

When the College **partners closely with families** and **connects with, and contributes to the wider community**.

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### LEADING WITH PURPOSE

The College is **led** with integrity, supported by biblically based **sound governance** and **effective management**.



# 1. A CARING COMMUNITY

**Lives are transformed** at Belmont Christian College because students belong to a caring community that celebrates students' individual gifts and abilities, where they develop into secure, resilient lifelong learners who are encouraged to follow Jesus and are prepared to shape culture by serving their community and beyond.

## WE ARE ACHIEVING THIS OBJECTIVE BY:

<p><b>Developing a stronger culture of care</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Emphasising relational teaching</li> <li>▶ Further developing supportive and a safe learning community</li> <li>▶ Strengthening Chaplain/Counselling service</li> <li>▶ Supporting student-led groups</li> </ul>
<p><b>Developing secure, resilient lifelong learners encouraged to follow Jesus</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Increasing the pastoral responsibility of Stage Leaders</li> <li>▶ Creating additional safe and inviting communal spaces</li> <li>▶ Enhancing Wellbeing initiatives</li> <li>▶ Intentionally integrating faith formation (Thrive, missions, community involvement, pastoral care groups, Chapel, Rise Up)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Celebrating the uniqueness of each student and respecting cultural diversity</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Acknowledging student differences, contribution, progress and achievement</li> <li>▶ In respectful and authentic ways, understanding our Aboriginal heritage and other cultures in our College</li> </ul>
<p><b>Preparing students to shape culture by serving their community and beyond</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Increasing opportunities to serve in the College</li> <li>▶ Increasing the scope and frequency of Mission Insight trips</li> <li>▶ Strengthening connections to mission-focussed partners.</li> </ul>

## 2. DYNAMIC TEACHING AND LEARNING

**Lives are transformed** at Belmont Christian College through dynamic teaching and learning, where rigour is cultivated and pursued, where individuals find a place to excel, and where our Christian distinctive is central.

### WE ARE ACHIEVING THIS OBJECTIVE BY:

<b>Pursuing rigour and individual excellence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Developing more individualised patterns of study for students</li><li>▶ Enhancing Teaching and Learning by the integration of Technology and innovative programs</li><li>▶ Continuing to prioritise the Professional Development of staff in delivering Teaching and Learning that is effective, relevant and progressive to ensure our students are “future fit”</li><li>▶ Supporting student-led groups</li></ul>
<b>Maintaining our Christian distinctive</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Investing in holistic faith formation of staff and students</li><li>▶ Continuing to develop teaching practice from a Christian worldview by investing in training in ‘Transformation by Design’, a framework for teaching a prescribed curriculum from a biblical worldview</li><li>▶ Cultivating opportunities for improving biblical literacy for staff and students</li></ul>

# 3. CONNECTED TO THE COMMUNITY

**Lives are transformed** because Belmont Christian College partners closely with families and connects with, and contributes to the wider community.

## WE ARE ACHIEVING THIS OBJECTIVE BY:

### Strengthening relationships with families in the community

- ▶ Building on opportunities to engage parents in the progress of their children’s learning and the educational priorities of the College
- ▶ Continually developing communication to more effectively engage parents and caregivers
- ▶ Engaging the professional expertise of parents and carers to enhance student learning
- ▶ Implementing parent and caregivers information sessions/courses

### Strengthening relationship with the wider community

- ▶ Connecting with and supporting local schools, businesses, and tertiary educational institutions
- ▶ Engaging professionally with members of the wider community, including external professionals and community representatives to further enhance student development
- ▶ Developing an Alumni
- ▶ Increasing involvement in community activities
- ▶ Employing effective strategies for promoting the College
- ▶ Increasing the use of school facilities by community groups
- ▶ Increasing onsite Vocational Education and Training courses

## 4. LEADING WITH PURPOSE

**Lives are transformed** because Belmont Christian College is led with integrity, supported by biblically based sound governance and effective management.

### WE ARE ACHIEVING THIS OBJECTIVE BY:

<b>Continuing strong governance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Maintaining effective policies</li><li>▶ Ensuring financial integrity</li><li>▶ Developing of a Master Plan in conjunction with a Strategic Plan</li><li>▶ Administering biannual reviews</li></ul>
<b>Developing effective management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Developing and encouraging staff into areas of strength and passion</li><li>▶ Raising up and positioning leaders</li><li>▶ Maintaining our Christian distinctive when hiring staff</li><li>▶ Resourcing the College well</li><li>▶ Raising the public profile of the College</li></ul>



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