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Why South Oakleigh College!

- South Oakleigh College celebrates diversity and encourages students to develop a strong sense of social responsibility, empathy and compassion for others.
- We have over 50 languages other than English spoken by students at home, being 55% of our cohort
- Our values underpin our core purpose and weave through every program and activity. Our College values are: High Expectations, Respect, Responsibility, Resilience and Teamwork.
- Our value of High Expectations encourages our students to achieve outstanding VCE and academic results
- We proudly provide, an extensive English as an Additional Language (EAL) program
- We provide a range of extra-curricular activities, including excursions with educational and cultural value
- Our student wellbeing team works closely with students, families and teachers to ensure individual needs are met for students to flourish



Academic Connections & Success

- South Oakleigh College students have achieved outstanding VCE and ATAR results this past year our school achieved a median study score of 30 with the highest ATAR being 96.95 and 36% of scored VCE students receiving an ATAR of 80+
- High tertiary entry rates – 86% of 2022 VCE students received a first round offer
- The top 3 University destinations for 2022 VCE students was Monash University, Deakin University and RMIT
- A South Oakleigh College we have many connections with notable Universities that offer our students additional programs and enrichment opportunities to further their academic success:
 - In2Science (RMIT) – Undergraduate mentors volunteer their time to connect with our top students to engage, motivate, share ideas and support them on a tertiary pathway
 - Aviation Academy (RMIT) – Connecting the aviation and space industry, tertiary and workforce sectors to increase awareness of pathways and programs in the aviation space
 - AI Project with PhD Student Alison McGregor (Victoria University) – Running specialist programs with our Girls in STEM club to gather data and nurture growth and capacity in coding, cyber security and robotics
 - Monash Tech School – Design Thinking Programs to provide students with real-world experiences and skill development



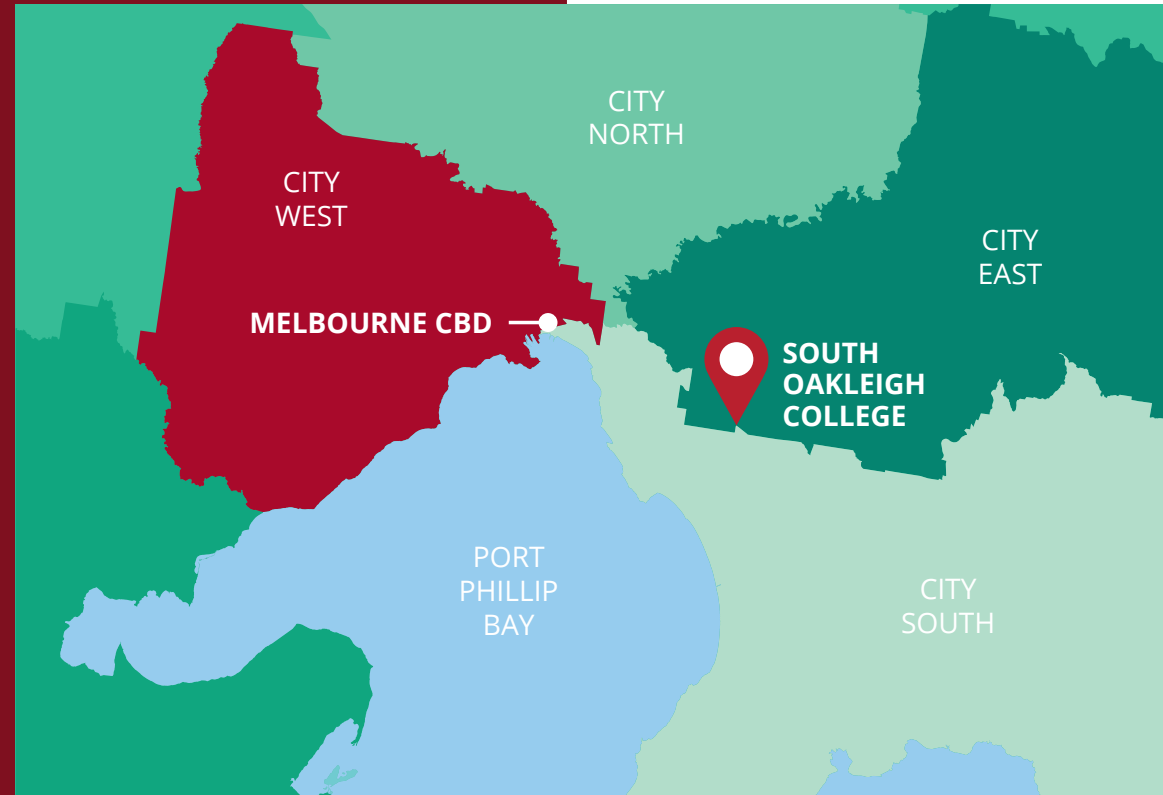
Co-Curricular Opportunities

- Co-curricular activities throughout the year offer our students an array of opportunities to participate in school events and display their talents
- Leadership opportunities in the Student Representative Council (SRC), Peer Support Programs, Global Prefects, House Captains and more. With specialised leadership training and induction
- Enrichment Clubs run during recess and lunchtime including chess club, homework club, STEM Club, Media Club and more.
- Academic Competitions are made available for all students throughout the year such as ICAS Competitions, Australian Geography & History Competition and Interschool Debating
- Extensive Performing Arts Program including Instrumental music lessons, annual theatre productions, musical ensembles, choir and solo performances available for all students
- Sports Development Program with High Profile Australian Coaches:
 - Basketball
 - Aussie Rules
 - Martial Arts
 - Soccer
 - Netball



Our Community

- South Oakleigh College is located in the south-eastern suburbs of Melbourne, with the area well serviced by public transport
- The College is located within a close distance to Monash University's Clayton Campus.
- With nearby access to sports and aquatic centres, community library, golf courses and a wide variety of restaurants of different cuisines
- As well as a short 10-minute drive to Chadstone Shopping Centre – the largest shopping centre in the Southern Hemisphere and only 10-minutes away from the beach
- Only 16-kilometres from the Melbourne CBD



How to Succeed as an International Student

From our 2023 Global Prefects



Being Resilient

Don't be ashamed if you feel different at first. It might take a while to adjust to the foreign education system and the environment. Stay positive and learning from your experiences.



Competitions & Events

Don't be afraid to step outside your comfort zone and try out competitions and events, both in school and interschool.



Homework Club & Tutoring

Take advantage of the Homework Club and the tutoring program. These are especially helpful for English, Humanities and Maths.



Seek Assistance

Our school has teachers with diverse culture backgrounds that can advise you in your preferred language about different subjects. Find out which teachers speak your preferred language from your Global Prefects or International Student Coordinator



Talk to your Subject Teachers

If you are an EAL student who requires translations sometimes, remind your teachers of this, especially in English and Humanities. Ask them if they can adjust their style of questions to be more literal, so they are easier to translate.

Mental Health & Wellbeing

Our school's Wellbeing Team is there to support international students when they don't feel comfortable (e.g. with their homestay, with their school work, their social skills etc.) The Wellbeing Team and other teachers are there to support and possibly decide for you, so be mindful of your wellbeing and don't bottle up if you feel unwell in any dimension of your health.

