

Question on Notice

No. 637

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MR B MICKELBERG ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND MINISTER FOR RACING (HON G GRACE)

QUESTION:

With reference to the delivery of the International Baccalaureate (IB) program within Queensland state schools—

Will the Minister advise (a) if the State Government supports the delivery of the program in Queensland state schools, (b) the amount of distinct funding provided for the delivery of IB programs in state schools this financial year (reported separately by school), (c) a list of state schools currently offering the IB program, (d) a list of state schools that previously offered the IB program but ceased doing so during the period 1 January 2015 to 23 May 2023, including the year of cessation and (e) the number of students who completed an IB program at state schools during the period 1 January 2015 to 23 May 2023 (reported separately by year)?

ANSWER:

International Baccalaureate programs are administered by the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO). The fees are set independently by the IBO and are subject to change. The current fees are available at <https://eqi.com.au/apply-now/fees>. The decision to deliver and fund the program (school and parent fee contributions), is made by individual state school principals, in consultation with their school community.

The following Queensland state schools currently offer International Baccalaureate programs:

- Calamvale Community College;
- Cleveland District State High School;
- Indooroopilly State High School;
- Mountain Creek State High School;
- Queensland Academy for Creative Industries;
- Queensland Academy for Health Sciences;
- Queensland Academy for Science Mathematics and Technology; and
- Rochedale State School (Primary years program).

The following Queensland state schools have previously offered the International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBD) but ceased doing so during the period of 1 January 2015 to 23 May 2023:

- Benowa State High School (last offered in 2022); and
- Cairns State High School (last offered in 2021).

The number of Queensland state school students, reported separately by year, who were awarded an IBD in Year 12 from 2015 to 2022 is provided below:

- 2015 – 347;
- 2016 – 352;
- 2017 – 339;
- 2018 – 477;
- 2019 – 376;
- 2020 – 561;
- 2021 – 588; and
- 2022 – 461.

2023 IBD data will be available from February 2024.