

NARROGIN

Senior High School



a quality education close to home

The background image shows the exterior of a school building. It features a prominent red brick wall on the lower level and a white corrugated metal upper level. A large, multi-paned window is set into the brick wall, reflecting the sky and trees. The sky is blue with some light clouds. The overall scene is bright and clear.

A **quality** education
close to home

Support for **diversity**

Academic Extension
Program

Performing Arts

Sports Academies

A **rural** campus with
city opportunities and
resources



Overview

Narrogin Senior High School is a vibrant school reflecting the spirit of the local community. Our inclusive approach to education, based on an ethos of **Advance with Integrity**, has helped to define the evolution of the school since its inception in 1955. We firmly believe that our school has a vital role in producing students with the necessary skills to control their own lives, able to make strong, well informed choices and to lead in whatever field their talents lie.

Our campus provides a welcoming, vibrant and safe environment where learning can take place with positive results. We provide an environment where high aspirations and respect are everyday expectations.

We challenge our students and staff to achieve their personal best and to work with pride in self, school and community. Excellence in academic achievement is seen as a necessary stepping stone for a successful future, whether that be at a tertiary level, in vocational training or the varied world of work.

A photograph showing a row of students in a computer lab. They are seated at long red tables, each with a computer monitor and keyboard. The students are focused on their work. The text 'be challenged' is overlaid in a white, italicized font on the left side of the image.

be challenged

Narrogin Senior High School has a whole school approach that aims to develop in students the skills that reflect our three core expectations of **Respect, Responsibility** and **Tolerance**.

We focus on providing all students with a positive, supportive and safe learning environment, with teachers who are engaging and passionate about their work. Our teachers and support staff have the expertise and commitment to deliver excellence in teaching and learning. Our students work in ICT enriched classrooms, have the opportunity to gain valuable experience in the state of the art Trade Hospitality or Workshop Centres, enjoy a fully equipped Gymnasium and Fitness centre and perform in our brand new Performing Arts Centre. The school works closely with corporate and community partners to enrich and extend the educational and career opportunities for students in the region and beyond.

A close-up photograph of a young male student with curly brown hair, looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The text 'be inspired' is overlaid in a white, italicized font on the bottom right of the image.

be inspired



Curriculum

We believe that education should be challenging, stimulating and ultimately rewarding for all students. We provide an extensive range of courses and programs to engage your child.


We aim to develop skills in our students that empower them to be lifelong learners and global citizens in this digital age. We focus on high academic achievement in all learning areas for students across all year groups.

In Year 7, your child begins their secondary education with an emphasis placed upon the core areas of Literacy and Numeracy. They will also study Science, Humanities and Social Sciences, Languages (HASSL), and will participate in Physical Education, in combination with Health and individual career pathways.

Over the year they will also be exposed to the Learning



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Areas of The Arts (Music, Drama and Art) and Technologies (Material Design, Food Science and Digital Citizenship). Within Physical Education there is the opportunity to focus on one of the following; either General Physical Education or Hockey, Cricket and Netball in our Academy classes. Year 7 students can also apply to be part of the Narrogin Academic Extension Program (NAEP).

Your child continues their learning journey in Year 8 by developing the ability to think creatively and critically, and working collaboratively in each of the eight Learning Areas. In addition, The Arts (Music, Drama and Art) and Technologies (Business and Information Technology, Design and Technology and Home Economics) are studied for a further two periods per week. If students desire, they can continue their specialist learning in the four periods allocated to the Academy classes.

In Year 9, students still continue to improve their skills and knowledge in the compulsory Learning Areas, but are able to choose an additional five electives from the other areas. These electives are taken over the whole school year, and the subjects offered are designed to enable students to explore their interests in preparation for their senior schooling years.

Senior School

The Senior School curriculum at Narrogin Senior High School offers a comprehensive range of pathways for senior students to make the transition to either employment or further studies at University. There are a number of pathways available for senior students at Narrogin Senior High School in order to achieve their West Australian Certificate of Education (WACE).

ATAR

An extensive range of Courses are available for students seeking entry to Universities directly from school. All pre-requisite studies for university entry are provided as well as a range of courses that will allow entry to any university undergraduate degree course that our students might consider. All of these involve external examinations.

Courses include **English, Mathematics** (*Specialist, Methods, Applications*), **Geography, Modern History, Music, Physics, Chemistry, Human Biology, Biology** and **Physical Education Studies**. We also partner with SIDE (Schools of Isolated and Distant Education) to cater for individual students' needs.

VET

This refers to Vocational Education and Training (VET) Certificate courses, where there is a combination of Vocational Studies and General courses that lead to secondary graduation at the end of Year 12. Students have the opportunity to complete Certificate II, III and IV qualifications. This fast tracks TAFE studies and opens up an alternative pathway for enrolment at university, as well as preparing students for apprenticeships or employment at the completion of Year 12.

We are proud to offer over 25 Certificates, which includes studies in **Business, Construction, Engineering, Hospitality** and **Sport and Recreation**.

General

These are courses for students who are aiming to enter further training or the workforce directly from school. They include internal examinations and external assessments. A combination of General and VET courses will lead to students achieving their WACE.

FOUNDATION

These are courses for students who need additional help and support in demonstrating the minimum standard of literacy and numeracy.

PRELIMINARY

These are courses for students who may need modification to the curriculum to meet their special needs. Preliminary courses do not contribute to the achievement of a WACE.



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Students with Disability

We offer students with a diagnosed disability a comprehensive program from Years 7 through to 12. The level of support varies according to the needs of the individual. Where possible, our students are integrated for compulsory and elective subjects and are encouraged to participate in all school activities.

We are proud to offer our students the opportunity to participate in the ASDAN range of programs, celebrating their successful achievements upon completion of each module. Each of our students has a Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) and the staff work closely to develop these with students, parents, our Learning Support Coordinator and outside agencies to achieve the aims articulated in the respective plans.

The programs offered are functional and are based on life skills, social skills and work preparations which are necessary for life beyond school. In Senior School, our students are able to access the many Certificates available for completion at school.

Student Services

Our Student Services provides assistance for students who may be experiencing academic, vocational, social, emotional or health challenges. Our team consists of a Student Services Manager, School Psychologist, Community Nurse, School Chaplains, Learning Support Coordinator along with Aboriginal and Islander Education Officers. The facility houses each of the Year Group Coordinators who guide and support their respective year group as they progress from Years 7-12.



Your child can talk through issues and concerns with our year leaders and chaplains, be referred for specialist support from our school psychologist or CAMHS, receive help to arrange work experience, participate in fun and challenging activities at school and on excursions, be involved in raising money for good causes, work on community projects and help organise school events.

Our comprehensive student behaviour policy is positive, consistent, firm, fair and administered in ways that show an empathy and understanding of both the needs of students and the school community.

Our students are encouraged to learn and practise appropriate social behaviours and self discipline through Narrogin Senior High School's Positive school wide behaviours matrix. As they were instrumental in its development and inception, they are intimately aware of their responsibility to respect the rights of others and to tolerate the diverse range of cultures which are present within the bounds of our school campus.

Extra Curricular Opportunities

Canberra Tour

This tour aims to create an awareness in our students of their cultural history by visiting the Australian War Memorial, Parliament House, Australian Institute of Sport, Questicon (The National Science & Technology Centre), Kosciuszko National Park, Earth Science Education Centre, National Dinosaur Museum and Government House.

USA Trip

This tour focuses on Science, Space and Engineering, and expands the cultural and technological knowledge of our students. Students spend 12-14 days visiting sites such as NASA's Kennedy Space Centre and Cape Canaveral Launch Facility, the Smithsonian Institution's Air and Space and Natural History Museums, Mount Wilson Observatory, Washington Monuments and Capitol Hill.

Country Week

This school has a proud tradition of taking a strong contingent to Country Week. We have teams representing this school in AFL, Hockey, Netball, Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer and Speech and Debating.

Prefect Leadership Camp

Prefects attend a three day camp where they undertake activities which aim to challenge them as a group and develop their leadership potential.

Sporting Events

There are a number of annual sporting events in which the school is heavily involved. These include the Kim Hughes Shield for cricket, the David Bell Cup and Buchanan Cup for hockey, and the netball, the Bendigo Bank Netball competition and Aranmore Specialist Netball Tournament.

Music Festival Camp

Both the Narrogin Senior High School Junior and Senior Bands perform at the WA Schools' Concert Band Festival. Schools all over the state showcase their bands, participate in grading and students experience a variety of musical activities.

Study Groups

Our school provides many after school opportunities for students to improve their learning. These include various clubs (Art, Soccer etc), subject specific tutor groups (Maths, English etc), ATAR revision groups and Follow the Dream and AIME mentoring for our Aboriginal students.



Yearly Events

Year 12 Presentation Evening

A formal presentation night is held to recognise the achievements of our outgoing Year 12 students.

Year 12 Farewell Dinner

Its aim is to allow students to celebrate the memories of their high school years in a relaxed and light hearted manner.

The Senior School Ball

The School Ball is held annually at a local venue and some 250 students and staff attend this gala event.

ANZAC Service

The School Prefects hold an annual ANZAC Service. Special guests from the local RSL club and local shires and councils are invited to attend. The Narrogin Army Cadets are present to form the Catafalque Guard.

NAIDOC Assembly

Aboriginal students and community members plan and conduct the NAIDOC assembly during NAIDOC week, combining with the three local primary schools in town.

NAIDOC Aspiration Day

Local and regional businesses are invited to participate in this career driven day, showcasing the future job opportunities for our Indigenous students.

Australian Computational and Linguistics Olympiad

Students are challenged to develop their own strategies for solving problems in fascinating real languages.

National History Challenge

Students are encouraged to enter this very prestigious essay competition.

Youth Parliament

Selected Year 10 students participate with other schools in a model parliament, discussing and debating legislative issues affecting today's youth.

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Other Information

Student Representation/ Council

Each year group is represented on the Student Council. In addition, there are many other opportunities for students to take on leadership roles in class, via our sporting teams, through the music ensembles and year groups.

Parent Involvement

There are many ways for parents to become involved at Narrogin Senior High School and their participation is most welcome.

Opportunities include the Parents & Citizens' committee, School Council, canteen and fundraising committees and parent support groups for speciality areas such as Music or the Academy Sports.

Contributions and Charges

Narrogin Senior High School's contributions are consistent with those of other public schools. Parents are requested to pay for students' personal requirements and some cost recovery payments may be required for co-curricular activities.

Breakfast Club

Before school commences, staff, community members and the School Chaplains prepare breakfast for students.

Peer Skills

Small groups of students are given the opportunity to develop communication and problem solving skills to provide support for their peers.

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“Narrogin Senior High School provides an innovative curriculum that develops essential skills for success in the senior years ...



... with many opportunities for students to experience a range of subjects in which they can be proficient, achieve their potential and pursue in the future”

A photograph of three students in Narrogin SHS uniforms. In the foreground, two girls are seated and playing silver flutes. In the background, a boy is seated and playing a Pearl drum kit. The room has large windows and a green wall.

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY TOLERANCE

We are committed to providing a pathway for every student to enjoy success

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