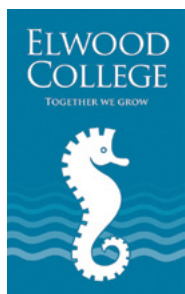


ELWOOD COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

Victoria, Australia

Department of Education





A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Elwood College provides an outstanding, personalised education within a vibrant and welcoming school community.

Educating students from Years 7 to 12, our commitment is to provide every student with the opportunity to reach their potential.

The skill and commitment of our teachers is evidenced by our consistent record of academic achievement at all levels.

Our culture of striving for excellence is complemented by diverse personal growth opportunities beyond the classroom. These include our renowned music and performance program, visual arts, sports, debating, the student-run newspaper, school camps and international study tours.

Together with parents, we help students develop into confident, optimistic young people prepared for life beyond school.

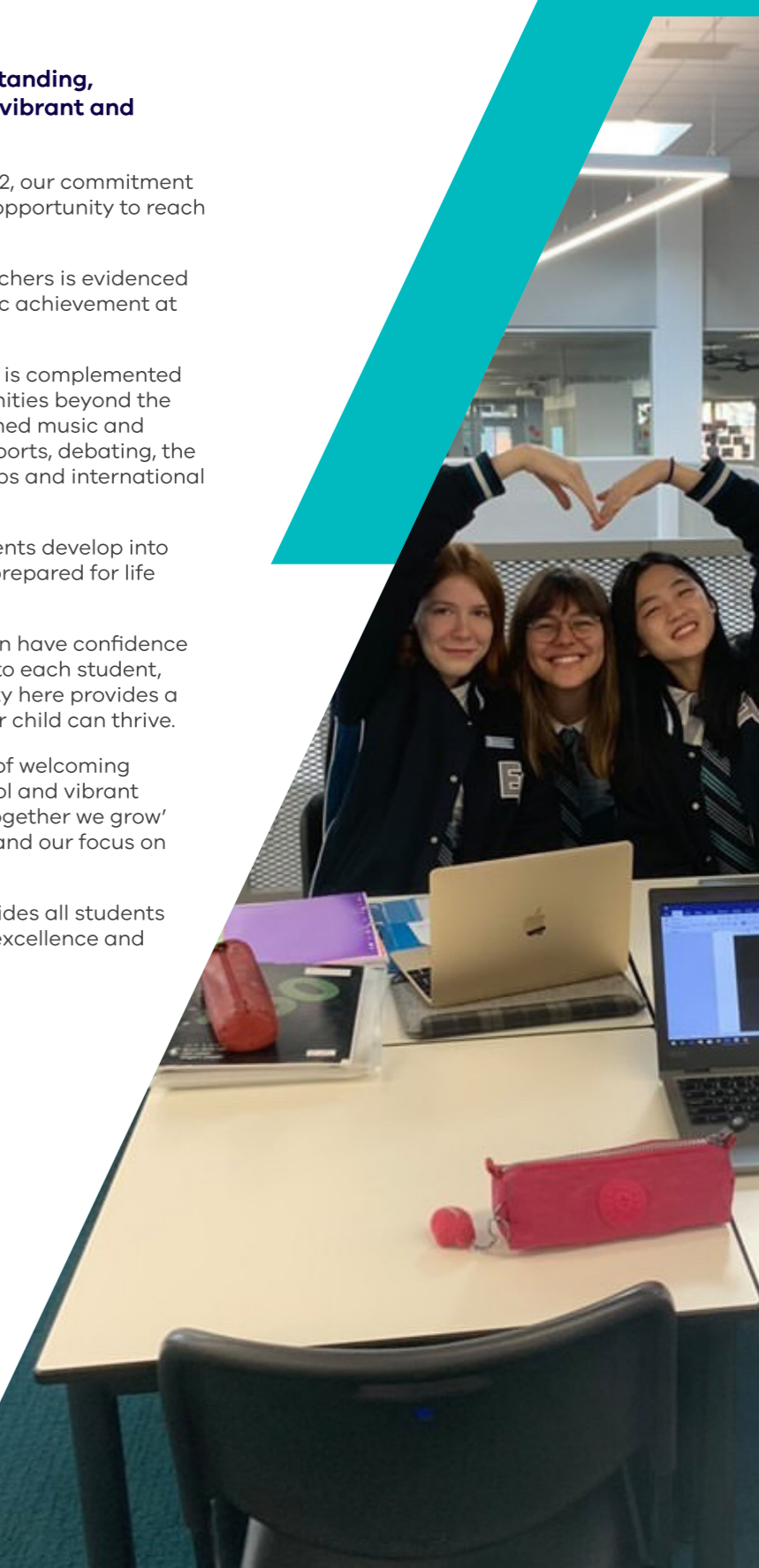
Parents choosing Elwood College can have confidence in the care and education provided to each student, knowing that the sense of community here provides a wonderful environment in which your child can thrive.

Elwood College has a proud history of welcoming international students into our school and vibrant beachside community. Our motto 'together we grow' reflects our inclusive school culture and our focus on personal growth.

Our comprehensive curriculum provides all students opportunities to achieve academic excellence and become leading global citizens.

Todd Asensio
Principal

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WHY CHOOSE ELWOOD COLLEGE?

Elwood College has one of the longest operating and most successful international student programs in Victoria.

We have welcomed students from China, Vietnam, Japan, Korea, Thailand, Indonesia, Germany, Brazil, Italy, Spain, Norway and Belgium. Our international student program is a valuable part of our school's multicultural community.

We have a range of programs and roles specifically for international students including:

- our intensive English language program
- language aides
- an international student coordinator to look after the welfare of our international students and provide quality homestay accommodation for them
- campus, including interstate
- an international student birthday celebration per term
- an international food day.

An academic program which encourages students to excel

Accelerated learning is on offer at Elwood College. Personalised learning gives every student a pathway to strive for excellence and enjoy learning success, with extension and support opportunities provided in every subject.

Acceleration can include more challenging classwork, academic forums and competitions, or leadership roles that harness particular talents. Where appropriate, students can also step up to senior classes for specific subjects.

Our positive learning culture supports and challenges all students to learn with, and from, each other.

By asking students to work with each other's different learning styles, we empower them with 'real life learning' and the skills they will need beyond school, such as collaboration and communication.





A variety of extra-curricular activities

Elwood College offers a rich extra-curricular program that allows students to explore their talents while building friendships and social skills.

We find that developing students' confidence through extra-curricular activities also results in better academic outcomes.

Our extra-curricular activities comprise:

- sports including tennis, cricket, soccer, table tennis, golf, lawn bowls and much more
- arts including music performance, theatre studies, choir and band
- camps, a great way to make friends whilst completing team building exercises
- clubs including chess and computing
- debating, both club and regional competition.

Serious about student welfare

At Elwood College we provide excellent welfare and support services to help you feel comfortable in your study journey.

Services include:

- airport pick up and transport to homestay accommodation
- homestays carefully arranged by the college
- an orientation program to help you settle into the Elwood community
- every student has at least four adults who will look after them
- dedicated staff to help you with study program, career advice, travel arrangements, medical problems etc.

Homestay for international students

We select homestay families to ensure students are well cared for in high-quality homes close to our College.

Homestay is an excellent way for students to improve their English, feel 'at home' in Melbourne and experience the Australian way of life.

Your homestay family will provide you with:

- a safe, secure, welcoming place to live
- a household compliant with the Child Safe Standards
- a separate single room for your personal use
- three meals a day, seven days a week, including snacks
- facilities – a bed, wardrobe, towels and linen
- utilities – gas, electricity, heating and water costs, internet
- cleaning services of common living areas
- the use of living areas within the residence
- study facilities – desk, study light, bookcase
- attendance at parent/teacher evenings on behalf of your parents.

One of our homestay parents, Annie, has this to say about our program:

"We love hosting and supporting young international students as we embrace cultural diversity."

Easily accessible location

Elwood College is located in a seaside suburb of Melbourne just 20 minutes from the city, well-served by trains and buses.

Our local community offers a beautiful swimming beach, extensive gardens and excellent recreation and sporting facilities. There is a small vibrant village centre with shops, restaurants and cafes, all great for social gatherings.



A recent success story

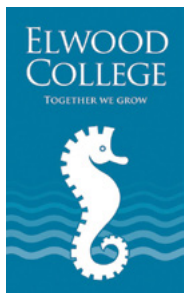
Younggwang Sung has recently graduated from Elwood College. He studied English as an Additional Language (EAL), Further Mathematics, Japanese as Second Language, Legal Studies and Business Management.

Younggwang Sung is currently studying a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Melbourne.

"I sincerely appreciate the teachers and staff who helped me throughout my time at Elwood College. They were dedicated and did their best to support my understanding in each subject. This has contributed to huge improvements in my English, and great scores at the end of Year 12. I had a great time studying at Elwood College, with its friendly and diverse environment, it provided me with a sense of belonging."

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