



Annual Report 2024

NT Christian College

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OVERVIEW

Our School

Located in the Northern Territory, NT Christian College operates across five school sites, delivering Years 10 – 12 education to students across Darwin, Nhulunbuy, and Alice Springs. Student enrolments come from each school locale with additional enrolments provided through Marrara Christian College’s Family Group Home Boarding facility, which provides access to senior-secondary education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student from across the Northern Territory.

NT Christian College’s vision is, ‘Learning Together, Bringing Hope to the World’; we seek to be a learning community that assists students to: ‘Find your path. Step into your future.’

Our core values are cultivating identity in Christ, collaborative learning, and cultural engagement.

NT Christian College continues to utilise fit for purpose learning facilities at each school it operates on. Students travel between our Darwin-based schools to access specialised facilities. Students in Nhulunbuy and Alice Springs have access to specialised facilities at their schools and through partnerships with other local education providers.

Campus Information	
Campus Name	NT Christian College
Street Address	Various
Principal	Luke Willsmore
Assistant Principal/Head of School	Rebecca Dimmick
Students enrolled	166
Year level range	Years 10 – 12
ICSEA	977 (low 27%, middle 36%, middle 29%, upper 9%)
ELC available	No
OSHC available	No

Our Students

NT Christian College enrolments are largely drawn from Greater Darwin, Nhulunbuy, Alice Springs, and approximately 20 remote communities across the NT. Students come from suburban, rural, remote locations across the range of socio-economic descriptors. The College has an ICSEA value of 977 with a student distribution of 27% (low), 36% (lower-middle), 29% (upper-middle), and 9% (upper).

NT Christian College has a diverse demographic including 19% indigenous enrolment and 29% from a language background other than English.

The College has an Education Support unit with dedicated staff working to support student learning needs. In 2024, 50 students had an Education Assistance Plan (EAP).

Our Staff

Position	All Staff	
	Aboriginal / Torres Strait Islander FTE	Other FTE
Principal	0	0.2
Assistant Principal/Head of School	0	0.2
Leadership teaching staff*	0	1.0
Secondary teaching staff	0	16.8
Teacher aides	0	2.4
Administration staff	0	2.9
Maintenance staff	0	1.0
IT staff	0	0
Boarding Staff	0	0
Other staff	0	0

* staff that have a Position of Responsibility

All staff are suitably qualified, including holding TRB registration for teaching staff members.

Our Community

NT Christian College is dedicated to partnership with parents. Our Pathways Team meets with families throughout their senior-secondary journey, from planning in Years 9 and 10 to maintaining in Year 11 and 12 to ensure students find their path and step into their future.

Our College operates across NT Christian Schools, supporting them to provide high-quality senior-secondary education to their communities.

We partner with various Registered Training Organisations to provide VET and TAFE options for our students and maintain industry partnerships with organisations who provide our students with opportunities for School-based Apprenticeships and Traineeships.

As a provider of senior-secondary education, NT Christian College works with the NT Certificate of Education team in the Department of Education and Training. This partnership provides our teaching staff with valuable Professional Learning opportunities. We have internal moderation process for our schools and work with the NT Certification Team and other schools for external moderation for compulsory Stage 1 and Stage 2 subjects.

PRINCIPAL REPORT

NT Christian College was thrilled to celebrate the first graduates from our Nhulunbuy and Sattler campuses! This achievement was the culmination of many years of work by many people to see these campuses offer T-12 learning for our students. We look forward to seeing these and all our campuses continue to grow from strength to strength!

The year began with the Year 11 and 12 Retreat. Students spent time getting to know one another while learning useful study skills to set them up well for the year. The Year 10s went on their annual trip around Eastern Australia. This was the last trip in its current format and, to the best of our knowledge, the first trip to have a participant, staff member, and volunteer from three generations of the same family! We are thankful to the dedicated work of staff and volunteers over the years who have made this trip a schooling highlight for many students. Throughout the year, planning got underway for a shorter trip supported by airline flights rather than our stalwart Denning Coaches which we have said a fond farewell to.

As detailed earlier in this document, the NTCC H2GP team has had an incredible journey over the past year, showcasing their skill, teamwork, and perseverance on the national and world stages of the Hydrogen Grand Prix (H2GP). What began as a local STEM challenge evolved into an international adventure, with the team representing not just their school, but Australia, in Los Angeles. Competing first on the Gold Coast, the team narrowly missed automatic qualification but earned a Wild Card entry to the World Championships in LA. Their journey, filled with intense races, technical challenges, and community support, culminated in earning the Team Spirit Award. This experience not only highlighted their engineering talents but also opened doors to future STEM careers.

We continue to improve our NTCET completion rate with 100% of our Year 12 students completing in 2024! We are also pleased to have achieved 100% VET completion, including 16 Cert IIIs. Our ATAR results were strong overall and supported 75% of students who applied to a university through a tertiary admission centre to receive their first preference! In total, 93% of students were offered a place who wanted one. Our subject result distribution improved on previous years and is an area for continual improvement.

A group was formed to review the future of NTCC. Work began this year to implement some of the recommendations from this working group. Registration was restructured so that campuses include Year 10 in their registration. This means that individual campuses manage the delivery of Australian Curriculum subjects. NTCC retains delivery of SACE subjects and VET and SBA/T administration across campuses. A dedicated NTCC Principal was recommended and subsequently appointed to oversee the vision and direction of the College. We welcomed Aaron Maidment to this position.

We farewelled Rebecca Dimmick, Assistant Principal, NTCC, in June this year. Though, she continued to support the College throughout the year. Rebecca was integral in setting up NTCC's cross campus offering and the work she has done over many years has put the College in good stead for the future. NTCC continues to grow in numbers and develop its subject and pathways offerings. We celebrate with each of our students on their achievements this year!

Luke Willsmore

Principal (NTCC)

STUDENT ENROLMENT, ATTENDANCE AND LEARNING

Attendance & Enrolment

Year Level	Previous Year				Reporting Year			
	Aboriginal Students		All Students		Aboriginal Students		All Students	
	Enrolment	Attendance %	Enrolment	Attendance %	Enrolment	Attendance %	Enrolment	Attendance %
10	16	-	62	-	14	-	77	-
11	13	-	53	-	8	-	45	-
12	8	-	42	-	9	-	44	-
All	37	88%	157	89%	31	87%	166	90%

Non-Attendance

Parents are notified when students do not attend school without a valid reason. Where students form patterns of non-attendance, individual schools work with NT Christian College to meet with families to support their child/ren's re-engagement with school.

Senior Secondary Learning

Senior Secondary Outcomes [include where applicable]	Percentage
Students in Year 12 undertaking vocational or trade training	48.7%
Students in Year 12 attaining a Year 12 certificate or equivalent VET qualification	36.6%

Student Destinations	University	VET	Apprenticeship / Traineeship	Employment	Other
Year 12	15	-	-	-	26

SCHOOL SURVEY RESULTS

Responses to each statement are ranked using the following scale:

1. Significant concerns | 2. Needs improvement | 3. To an average degree | 4. To an effective degree | 5. To an exceptional degree

Student Responses

	Top 5 areas of strength		Top 5 areas for growth	
	Question	#	Question	#
1	Students from different backgrounds are treated equally in this school	4.1	Students think positively about the school	2.4
2	I am encouraged to be responsible for me own learning	3.8	A good range of subjects is offered at this school	2.5
3	My parents encourage me to succeed academically	4.2	My teachers understand how I learn	2.4
4	I aspire to get a very high scores in external tests	3.8	General questions about resources	2.9
5	I have good friends at this school	3.9	General questions about co-curricular programs	2.6

Parent Responses

	Top 5 areas of strength		Top 5 areas for growth	
	Question	#	Question	#
1	The school encourage the development of faith in its students	4.0	This school strives for high achievement in all that it does	2.0
2	Students feel comfortable in openly expressing their faith	4.2	The learning program assists more gifted and talented students to achieve their full potential	1.5
3	Teachers know and care for their students	4.2	The school sets high academic standards	1.8
4	Teachers work hard to teach from a Christian perspective	4.2	The school provides and outstanding academic environment	1.8
5	The school has programs that promote personal wellbeing	4.0	The principal communicates effectively with parents	2.0

Staff Responses

NT Christian College staff responses were not separated out of the staff survey responses of the individual schools at which the College operates.

FINANCIAL

NT Christian College

Parent Fees	\$ 1,309,579
Federal Government Income	\$ 3,340,686
NT Government Income	\$ 657,990
Sundry Income	\$ 45
Total Income	<u>\$ 5,916,980</u>

Staff Costs	\$ 3,317,572
Teaching Resources/ Student Costs	\$ 295,354
Administration	\$ 25,402
Information & Communication Technology	\$ 2,167
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 991,014
Depreciation	\$ -
Other Costs	\$ 765,323
	<u>\$ 5,396,833</u>