

Our Community

Beerwah State High School is a member of the Glass House Coalition of state schools. The Coalition provides excellent public schooling for 2500 students from Preschool to Year 12 across seven different, but closely interrelated schools. The Coalition was formed in 2000 with the intention of maximising educational outcomes for its members by adopting a consistent, proactive approach to educational challenges confronting schools in the new millennium.

Member schools are:

- · Beerwah State High School
- · Beerburrum State School
- · Beerwah State School
- · Landsborough State School
- · Glass House Mountains State School
- · Peachester State School
- · Elimbah State School

Though different in size and setting, these seven schools are united by a common purpose and common curriculum framework that ensures a seamless learning journey from preschool in any one of the six coalition primary schools through to graduation from Year 12 at the Beerwah High School. This common approach to the curriculum is developed from the eight national key learning areas and the relevant syllabuses provided by the Queensland Studies Authority. It is an outcomes based approach centred on a series of life tasks, numbering eighteen in total, that begin in Year 1 and develop sequentially through the middle school years to conclude in Year 9. This curriculum framework lays the foundation for the provision of multiple pathways in senior schooling from Years 10 through to 12.

A life task is a curriculum organiser around which core learning outcomes from the eight key learning areas can be planned and implemented. The life tasks have a core set of tasks common to every site so therefore, regardless of the site, students undertake the same tasks in each year level as they progress towards and into the middle years of schooling in high school.

The coalition is therefore a unique and groundbreaking innovation where teachers across year levels and any of the seven sites commit to and communicate with teachers at the other sites about the curriculum, pedagogy, resources and student progress in order to maximise outcomes for a child's learning journey right through to graduation in Year 12.

In 2004, the Coalition was recognised as having the best approach to middle schooling in Queensland, winning the State Showcase Award for Excellence in the Middle Phase of Learning.