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2008 School Annual Report

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Key outcomes in the senior phase of learning

Apparent retention rates Year 10 to Year 12 (Feb to Feb)

Year 12 student enrolment as a percentage of the Year 10 student cohort: 70.5

Outcomes for our Year 12 cohort of 2008

Number of students awarded a Senior Statement: 114

Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate Individual Achievement (QCIA): 0

Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) at the end of Year 12: 83

Number of students awarded an International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBD): 0

Number of students awarded one or more Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualifications: 85

Number of students who are completing or completed a School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SAT): 14

Number of students receiving an Overall Position (OP): 52

Percentage of OP/ IBD eligible students with OP 1-15 or an IBD: 63

Percentage of Year 12 students who are completing or completed a SAT or were awarded one or more of the following: QCE, IBD, VET qualification: 89

Percentage of Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) applicants receiving an offer: 91

Post-school destination information

At the time of publishing this School Annual Report, the results of the 2008 Year 12 cohort's post-school destinations survey, Next Step 2009 – Student Destination Report for the school were not available. Information about these post-school destinations of our students will be posted to our website by early September.