



School details

School name:	MacKillop College	Year:	2024
School Advisory Council Chair:	Paul Scott		
School Advisory Council Members:	Chris Caldow, Cath Corcoran, Mairead Taylor, Rosy Klyscz		
	Nimal Pandithakoralege, Praful Albuquerque, Rosemarie Walsh, Fr Albert, Jason Gomes, Adele Hegedich, Carey Pittaway		

Introduction

The School Advisory Council Annual Report should acknowledge the activities, achievements and challenges of the council and committees over the past year, reference the council's evaluation, and indicate goals and focus for the following year.

School's Vision and Mission Statement

Our Vision: Celebrating all life, Challenging all people, Dreaming the new day

Our Mission:

MacKillop is a Catholic college in the Josephite tradition. Inspired by the spirit of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, we strive to:

- encourage individuals to reach their full potential as life-long learners by providing an innovative, challenging and collaborative learning and teaching environment in a rapidly evolving society.
- foster leadership by empowering and developing all members of the school community.
- enhance positive relationships in a supportive community by promoting justice and a sustainable future.
- support wellbeing by affirming the intrinsic dignity of each individual, embracing diversity and empowering active citizenship.
- witness to the presence of God amongst us by celebrating our Catholic heritage as a faith community.

In this, we seek to be disciples of Jesus, our model for authentic humanity.

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Provide a summary of the council's evaluation process.	In person. Discussions were held at the last meeting for the 2024 School year on 20 November. Reflecting on the year that was.
What activities were undertaken this year?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governance. • Monitoring progress of the Building Project for St Mary's Campus. • Review of the proposal to build the new K-12 Wyndham Vale campus (including critiquing the purpose and financial feasibility of building a new campus).

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How successful were these endeavours?	<p>The Council's activities contributed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the ongoing financial soundness and effective business operations of the school. the continued improvement of the school's facilities through the completion of the Building Project for St Mary's Campus. completing a review of the purpose and financial feasibility of building the new K-12 Wyndham Vale campus. commencement of preliminary work for the new K-12 Wyndham Vale campus (i.e., appointment of architects, discussions had at council meetings with agreement to go forward with construction of new campus).
Highlight the greatest achievement(s) of the council.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued successful business operations of the school. Successful completion of the Building Project for St Mary's Campus. Successful commencement of preliminary work for the new K-12 Wyndham Vale campus.
List any committees or working groups.	<p>The School Advisory Council has the following Sub-Committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Committee Finance Committee
What were their activities?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Committee – gathers to discuss and set agenda items for the next meeting. These agenda items are raised by the School Advisory Council. Finance Committee – meet to discuss the financial position of the College, funding, current building projects, income etc.
List the key achievements or decisions made by these committees.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Successful setting of SAC meeting agenda items including relevant presentations. Financial stability of the school.
Outline/summarise the council members' presence at school functions.	<p>Good attendance at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The School Opening Mass Speech Night College Musical
List any challenges the council encountered.	<p>One SAC meeting was cancelled due to a lack of a quorum due to SAC member illness.</p>
How were the challenges overcome?	<p>Agenda items were carried over to the next SAC meeting. As 7 SAC meetings were scheduled for 2024 (with 6 held) SAC business continuity was maintained.</p>
Was any expert advice invited onto the council? Who, for how long and for what purpose?	<p>Yes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCE Results, New Campus 2024 College Captains, Telescope Data Building Programs – SMC and Wyndham Vale Campus Student Wellbeing – ReLATE, Catholic Identity – Social Justice, Learning and Teaching / Learning Diversity – Catering for Individual Difference 2024 MACS School Improvement Surveys

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New Campus Architects Presentation
What are the goals of the council for next year?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continuation of support for the building of the new Wyndham Vale campus.• Monitor the introduction of a new Instructional model that employs instructional coaches. Coaches to be invited to a SAC meeting in 2025.• Support the following Programs in 2025:• Behaviour curriculum• Thrive program
What will be the main focus?	Continuation of preliminary work for the new K-12 Wyndham Vale campus.