Where to find us

The hospital education program is primarily delivered on the Paediatric (Children's) Ward, located on Level 2 of Block B.

Hours and dates of operation

Refer to the Queensland State Schools calendar for term dates, student free days and school holidays. Local public holidays will also apply.

School hours of operation are between 9:00am and 3:00pm.



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Welcome to the Cairns Hospital Education Program

A guide for parents and carers



Who can attend?

- Students from Prep to Year 12 who are enrolled in a school and could be absent from school for four or more school days, including those who require ongoing care in hospital.
- Siblings or children of a patient who, through hardship or other circumstances, are not able to attend their regular school may also be eligible to attend.
- If you have any questions about whether your child is eligible, please talk to the teacher or nurse caring for your child.

When can a student attend?

Eligible students may register and start attending the hospital education program from their first day in hospital.

What do we teach?

Our teachers can work closely with a student's school (with the parent/carer's consent) to ensure continuity of learning for the student.

Teachers use the Australian Curriculum to develop learning programs for students in Prep to Year 10.

Teachers work closely with schools to support students in Years 11 and 12.

Who supports the program?

The hospital education program is supported by the Queensland Children's Hospital School and Woree State High School.



For more information about hospital education, please head to our website: https://gchschool.eg.edu.au



How does it work?

The program is staffed by a teacher and a teacher aide.

Education is delivered with individual students on the Paediatric Ward and in the classroom.

Guidance Officer

The support of a guidance officer is also available. The guidance officer can help students transition back to their school (or another learning pathway). They also provide valuable links and referral strategies for students needing assistance in their schooling, career prospects, personal life and health journey.

Parents/carers can complete a consent form when they register with the program.