

# we are

*horse lovers*

## our equestrian program

We have a strong tradition of equestrian programs and we are very proud of our unique facilities.



## our curricular programs

### Certificate II in Equine Industry (for students in Years 10, 11 and 12)

- provides students with the knowledge and skills to make an informed choice of vocational and career paths in this industry
- enables students to achieve a recognised credential (eligible for credit of up to four VCE/VET units)

The Hamilton and Alexandra College is a Registered Training Organisation for this course.

### Horsemanship (elective for students in Years 9 and 10)

- provides an outlet for academic achievement in an area of recreational interest
- encourages students to develop their skills and knowledge so they can apply them to caring for their horse and participating in equine activities
- gives students a solid preparation for studying Certificate II in Equine Industry (see above)
- offers diverse units of learning designed to be flexible so they can incorporate the interests of the group
- introduces students to a variety of sports, clubs and other contacts within the equine industry

## our co-curricular programs

### Riding Classes

This unique offering encourages participation, effort, good sportsmanship and horsemanship. Students can develop their skills in an encouraging and nurturing environment with individual attention and guidance by qualified instructors.

### Clinics

We hold regular clinics run by guest instructors.

### Events

We host the annual Western District Inter-School Equestrian Championships, Inter-Primary School Games Day, The Hamilton and Alexandra College and Barwidgee Dressage Championships and the Inter-House Show Jumping and Dressage events.

We encourage our students to compete in local shows, events and gymkhanas (when transport is available).

## our unique facilities

The Equestrian Centre is located at our Myrning Campus next to the boarding houses. Agistment is available for boarders' horses and all Horsemanship students have access to this facility.

Features include:

- an all-weather arena (45 x 72m) with lights
- a sand arena (20 x 40m)
- a beautiful heritage-listed barn with cross tie stalls and a classroom in the loft
- extensive yards
- a course of John Wilsher show jumps show jumps, a round yard, 18 day yards
- extensive undercover stables: 8 stables with adjoining yards and lights, 8 stables with lights, isolation stable
- lockable tack rooms, 2 feed rooms, locker room, kitchen, laundry room
- a hot and cold horse wash