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Queensland Wins 123 ICAS Medals

South Australia has won 123 medals in one of the largest global academic competitions for school students – with Brisbane Grammar School topping the State with 10 medals.

ICAS competition is a school-based competition that students from Australia and international schools sit annually across six subject areas – English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling Bee, Writing and Digital Technologies. Owned and operated by Australian EdTech, Janison, the prestigious competition is administered in thousands of schools across the globe. Despite COVID's impact on school education, hundreds-of-thousands of tests were completed in 2020.

State by State the medal tally was: NSW-168, QLD-123, SA-94, VIC-91, WA-85, TAS-55, NT-9 and ACT-8.

"I congratulate the State's 123 students who received ICAS medals placing them in the top 0.3% of the 2020 world cohort. This is designed to be a very challenging competition and Australian students have excelled," said Amy Barouch, Group Executive – ICAS Assessments at Janison.

"ICAS goes beyond the classroom curriculum and focuses on deep subject knowledge and higher order skills such as critical thinking and problem solving. For academic students, the competition represents challenge and an opportunity to stretch, and for others it is about the fun and resilience of seeing how far you can go.

"Australian students performed remarkably well, demonstrating their resilience amidst a pandemic and also how well placed our students are in terms of global competencies."

Highlights of the Queensland medal tally were:

- Brisbane Grammar School students won 10 medals – making the school the highest scoring school in the State.
- Other top scoring schools were:
 - + Brisbane Boys College – 6 medals.
 - + Queensland Academy for Science Mathematics and Technology – 6 medals.
 - + Citipointe Christian College – 5 medals.
 - + Indooroopilly State School – 4 medals.
- The following schools had students who won double medals:
 - + Brisbane Grammar School – A Year 9 student won medals for both Mathematics and Science.
 - + John Paul College – A Year 10 student won medals for both Mathematics and Science.
 - + Mango Hill State School – A Year 4 student won medals for both English and Maths, and a Year 6 student won medals in both Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.
 - + Robertson State School – A Year 6 student won medals for both Mathematics and Science.
 - + Yeronga State School – A Year 3 student won medals for both Science and Digital Technologies.



In Australia and New Zealand, students will be honoured in an online medal celebration video available here: www.facebook.com/ICASAssessments

Janison’s CEO, David Caspari said it has been 40 years since the University of NSW first introduced ICAS testing, but it was the transition to the digital environment over the last few years which super-charged the educational value of participation.

“Digital assessments are more interactive and dynamic than the paper-based exams, so increase student engagement and give teachers deeper and faster insights into individual students – allowing them to adjust teaching and learning methods for even stronger outcomes,” said Mr Caspari.

“It is a tribute to the quality and capacity of our learning platform that in 2020 we were able to extend the windows for testing based on pandemic lockdowns in particular areas, and yet there was not a single significant technology hiccup or disadvantage for even the remotest school due to internet connections. Our commitment to equity and accessibility for all has been well-served.

“Janison Education Group is a global force for good seeking to change the world through digital educational assessments such as Check-In, REACH, VALID and the OECD’s PISA for Schools test. Our team of educators, technologists and change agents are passionate about empowering teachers and students to achieve better outcomes.

“We are an Australian success story, now thriving on the global stage by delivering more than 10-million best-in-class assessments annually in 120 countries. From the spare room of a teacher’s house in regional NSW, Janison is now a trusted edtech partner of the OECD, governments and private educators,” said Mr Caspari.

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Queensland Schools: ICAS Medal Winners

SCHOOL	English	Mathematics	Science	Spelling Bee	Digital Technologies	Total
A B PATERSON COLLEGE			YEAR 6		YEAR 3	2
ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN SCHOOL (MIDDLE)			YEAR 7			1
AMBROSE TREACY COLLEGE	YEAR 9					1
ANGLICAN CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL	YEAR 3			YEAR 6		2
ASHGROVE STATE SCHOOL	YEAR 2	YEAR 2				2
ASPLEY STATE SCHOOL				YEAR 6		1
BOUNTY BOULEVARD STATE SCHOOL					YEAR 6	1
BRASSALL STATE SCHOOL				YEAR 2		1
BRISBANE ADVENTIST COLLEGE PRIMARY CAMPUS	YEAR 7					1
BRISBANE BOYS' COLLEGE		YEAR 4 YEAR 7 YEAR 7 YEAR 10	YEAR 7 YEAR 10			6



BRISBANE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE		YEAR 2				1
BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL	YEAR 9 YEAR 10	YEAR 8 YEAR 9	YEAR 7 YEAR 8 YEAR 8 YEAR 9		YEAR 7 YEAR 8	10
BRISBANE STATE HIGH SCHOOL			YEAR 7 YEAR 7 YEAR 10 YEAR 10			4
BROOKFIELD STATE SCHOOL					YEAR 4	1
CITIPOINTE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE		YEAR 4 YEAR 5			YEAR 4 YEAR 6 YEAR 6	5
CITIPOINTE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE (SENIOR)	YEAR 9	YEAR 9				2
CLAYFIELD COLLEGE	YEAR 3					1
COORPAROO STATE SCHOOL					YEAR 3 YEAR 6	2
EAGLE JUNCTION STATE SCHOOL					YEAR 5 YEAR 6	2
FIG TREE POCKET STATE SCHOOL					YEAR 3	1
GLASSHOUSE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE				YEAR 3		1
GOOD NEWS LUTHERAN SCHOOL			YEAR 6			1
INDOOROOPILLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL	YEAR 7					1
INDOOROOPILLY STATE SCHOOL			YEAR 2		YEAR 4 YEAR 4 YEAR 4	4
ISLAMIC COLLEGE OF BRISBANE		YEAR 10				1
JINDALEE STATE SCHOOL				YEAR 4		1
JOHN PAUL COLLEGE		YEAR 10	YEAR 10			2
KELVIN GROVE STATE COLLEGE					YEAR 3	1
MACGREGOR STATE SCHOOL		YEAR 4 YEAR 5 YEAR 5				3
MACKAY NORTHERN BEACHES STATE HIGH SCHOOL					YEAR 9	1
MANGO HILL STATE SCHOOL	YEAR 4	YEAR 4		YEAR 6	YEAR 6	4
MANSFIELD STATE HIGH SCHOOL	YEAR 9					1
MATTHEW FLINDERS ANGLICAN COLLEGE	YEAR 9					1
MORETON BAY BOYS COLLEGE					YEAR 8	1



MUELLER COLLEGE		YEAR 2				1
NORTH ARM STATE SCHOOL				YEAR 2		1
NORTH SHORE COACHING COLLEGE		YEAR 3 YEAR 3 YEAR 4			YEAR 4	4
NUNDAH STATE SCHOOL				YEAR 5		1
ORMISTON COLLEGE					YEAR 9	1
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SCHOOL		YEAR 2				1
PALM BEACH STATE SCHOOL	YEAR 2					1
PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN COLLEGE - HENDERSON ROAD CAMPUS				YEAR 7		1
QUEENSLAND ACADEMY FOR SCIENCE MATHEMATICS AND TECHNOLOGY	YEAR 7 YEAR 8 YEAR 10	YEAR 10 YEAR 10 YEAR 10				6
REDEEMER LUTHERAN COLLEGE			YEAR 9			1
ROBERTSON STATE SCHOOL		YEAR 6	YEAR 6			2
SEVEN HILLS STATE SCHOOL				YEAR 5		1
SOMERVILLE HOUSE		YEAR 7 YEAR 9 YEAR 10				3
SPRINGFIELD CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL			YEAR 6			1
ST AIDAN'S ANGLICAN GIRLS SCHOOL	YEAR 3					1
ST ANDREW'S ANGLICAN COLLEGE					YEAR 9	1
ST ANDREW'S LUTHERAN COLLEGE					YEAR 7	1
ST DYMUNA'S PARISH SCHOOL			YEAR 4			1
ST PETERS LUTHERAN COLLEGE		YEAR 3				1
STRETTON STATE COLLEGE			YEAR 5 YEAR 8		YEAR 4 YEAR 4	4
SUNNYBANK HILLS STATE SCHOOL	YEAR 5 YEAR 6	YEAR 2 YEAR 3				4
THE ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL					YEAR 9 YEAR 9	2
TOOWOOMBA GRAMMAR SCHOOL			YEAR 7			1
TOWNSVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL			YEAR 7		YEAR 8	2
TOWNSVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL - ANNANDALE CAMPUS		YEAR 3				1



TRINITY BAY STATE HIGH SCHOOL				YEAR 7		1
TRINITY LUTHERAN COLLEGE (COTLEW STREET CAMPUS)		YEAR 5				1
VARSITY COLLEGE		YEAR 8				1
WARRIGAL ROAD STATE SCHOOL		YEAR 4			YEAR 4	2
WEST MORETON ANGLICAN COLLEGE					YEAR 10	1
WESTSIDE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE			YEAR 9			1
YERONGA STATE SCHOOL			YEAR 3		YEAR 3	2