



RESIDENTIAL

WA College of Agriculture - Morawa

INFORMATION



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN
COLLEGE *of* AGRICULTURE

Morawa

An Independent Public School

Excellence and Innovation in Agricultural Education

Residential Campus



Student Health and Wellbeing, Teaching Learning and Training with a Focus on Residential Care is our priority at the College.

Set in pleasant grounds close to the farm and within easy walking distance from shops and facilities, the Residence provides a friendly 'home away from home' environment.

The Residential Campus was built in 1992, with an additional two sixteen bed dorms and a six bed medical centre completed in 2011 and now houses up to seventy two male and female students.

Modern, well designed Residences with individual lockable rooms ensuring privacy and security, provides everything a student needs.

All dorms contain a student common room, with TV lounge, kitchenette and laundry for personal use. A full laundry service is also provided.

The Residential Recreation Officer and Residential Staff provide an extensive range of after school and weekend leisure activities, camps and excursions, to ensure the best possible residential boarding experience.

The Residential Campus has a modern dining room and kitchen where students are provided with full board. Qualified cooks prepare three meals per day for students.





Open Day

Open Day is an annual event. This day enables the students to showcase the College to parents, friends and prospective students.

All facets of the Residential Campus, Farm, Workshops and Classrooms are on display including Student work, demonstrations, farm tours, industry and further education displays.



Residential Activities



Residential staff regularly organise weekend activities and outings for students. Some of these outings are based locally eg. golf, bush hikes and BBQ's etc, these are complimented by in-house events and extended trips away for students. Previous activities have included ski trips, AFL games, station stays, scuba diving and interstate theme park visits—all amazing experiences for students.

Students boarding at the Residential Campus are invited to bring their own horses and are encouraged to become members of the wider community through sport, church groups, State Emergency Services and by working on local farms and surrounding stations. They are able to access a variety of local sporting clubs:- Football, netball, hockey, cricket, badminton, speedway and swimming.

The College also attend both swimming and athletic carnivals against the Morawa District High School, and compete at a 'Spring Sporting Carnival' with students from the other Agricultural College Boarding facilities.

A combined School Ball incorporating the Morawa District High School is an event looked forward to every year by our students.

One of the highlights of the Agricultural education calendar is the Farm Skills competition held as part of the Perth Royal Show. Students from around the state compete in a range of skill based competitions which demonstrate their practical abilities.





Residential Procedures

Study is supervised for five nights each week for students to complete set class work and assignments. The Residential Campus have computers and students have access to the Internet and email.

Each dorm is fitted with a small laundry for personal use. A full laundry service is provided, including mending.

A TransWA bus service operates via Morawa, between Perth and Geraldton twice per week. The Residential Campus also runs a bus to Geraldton when necessary to link up with buses travelling north and south.

A deposit of \$300 must be paid to secure a place upon acceptance for enrolment. Please see the Contributions and Charges booklet that is included in this pack on exact costs and subsidies.

Approximately every four to five weeks, there is a closed weekend and students are able to return home for the weekend or stay with local families. However, students may return home more frequently as long as they complete rostered duties at the farm and the residential campus receives written confirmation prior to departure.

The residential campus has recreation facilities including a fully equipped gymnasium which boasts Tech 2000 urethane sports flooring, accommodating tennis, badminton, volleyball, and basketball and includes a well equipped weights room. Facilities also include darts, table tennis, pool table, trampolines, satellite television, video and computer games.

A small canteen is opened each afternoon for drinks and snacks. However, if students wish, they also have daily access to the town shops. All town facilities are within easy walking distance.

Student Councilors are elected to assist in the running of the Residential Campus and to help with recreational activities. Various events are arranged by the students, and they are rostered for on for various daily or weekly duties to assist in the functioning of the Residential Campus.

Vision

Excellence and innovation in agricultural education

Mission

TRAINING the agricultural industry leaders of the future. Health, wellbeing, engagement and a sense of belonging are central to the transition of students into adult life, to becoming satisfied, successful and valued citizens who contribute to society.

Inclusion

Inclusive and connected school culture. All members of the College community are active participants in building a welcoming school culture that values diversity, and fosters positive, respectful relationships

Focus

RESIDENTIAL CARE – High Care – High Performance, home away from home, student health and wellbeing at the centre of everything we do



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