



Noble Park Secondary College

International Student Program Details:

Homestay

Some international students can stay with relatives during their time at Noble Park Secondary College. However, not all families are able to arrange this type of accommodation.

Secondary students aged 15 or over can reside in accommodation arranged by their parents (either with a parent or DIAC approved relative) or the parents can request the Department to arrange accommodation, support, and general welfare.

The College will arrange suitable home-stay accommodation for students who do not have relatives in Melbourne. The welfare of all international students is closely monitored during their stay with their Australian families.

Homestay is a term used to describe full board accommodation offered by a family, a couple or a single person for which a set weekly fee is charged. Homestay families are carefully chosen to ensure that the student is offered a culturally enriching and enjoyable experience within an understanding and supportive family environment.

[Homestay Family Guide](#)

[Homestay Terms and Conditions](#)

Homestay Policy

[English](#)

[Chinese](#)

[Vietnamese](#)

[Khmer](#)

Attendance

All International Students must satisfy their visa conditions to maintain their full-time studies in Australia.

These conditions include:

- All International students must have an attendance rate of 90% –
- Attend all classes on time
- Must complete all set tasks, including homework and assessment tasks.
- Must comply with college and classroom rules.

We have a team of educators who closely monitor the progress and attendance of students to ensure they get the help that they require as promptly as possible.

Education Support Officers (ESO's)

The College employs several ESOs to help support students with 'language backgrounds other than English'. ESOs provide support in the classroom by interpreting where necessary. ESOs also assist students with homework after school, assist in the translations of documents for the College, assist the College as interpreters and generally provide support in communicating with parents/guardians.

Careers Counselling

The College Careers Teacher will provide you with the information and material needed to leave our school program and move on to the next stage of your education.

After completing the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE), you can continue your studies at a Victorian University or a Training and Further Education Institute (TAFE). You can apply through VTAC, the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre, just like local students. The Careers Teacher will run sessions towards the end of Year 12, to help you complete the VTAC application and tertiary entrance

The Careers teacher will provide:

- Ongoing careers counselling and advice.
- Assistance with all types of applications for tertiary institutions.
- Further counselling, assistance, and adjustment of course preferences when your VCE results become available.

The International Student Program Coordinator will work with the Careers Teacher to make sure you have all the support and information you need to prepare for your life outside the college community.

Regular Contacts and Updates

We regularly contact parents, relatives and homestay hosts of International Students to keep families well informed of student progress at school. It is our priority to closely monitor students' attendance and academic results.

Our school newsletter is sent to all parents. Regular communication with the school is encouraged.

Facilities and Resources

Our college recently underwent a \$5 million refurbishment. The new Senior Centre has a theatre, study, and careers centre. The Senior Study Centre is a purpose-built space for senior students to both work collaboratively and to also study independently during their non-timetabled classes as well as from early morning to early evening in the separately zoned silent or quiet study areas.

The College has an international student common room with cooking and studying facilities allowing students to meet regularly for social interaction as well as the opportunity to study with each other and with staff for further instruction and support.

MIPs (Managed Individual Pathways)

All students over the age of 15 receive individual guidance and support through our MIPS counselling team (setting goals, managing workloads, completion of class set tasks, preparation for tests and exams, and attendance).

Reports

Reports on the academic progress of students are sent to parents at the end of each term (except for Year 12 students who receive reports at the end of Term One, Two and Three and an official VCAA Statement of VCE Results at the end of Term Four). An Interim Report is a summary of student progress in term 1. End Of Semester report is a detailed record of student progress.

Child Safe

Noble Park Secondary College is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people.

Noble Park Secondary College has developed a Child Safe Policy and Child Safe Code of Conduct in accordance with the Victorian Government's 7 Child Safe Standards.

School Bus Service

There is a private daily bus service taking students to and from college if required. This free service is available to all international students.

Information for new students

[Parent/Student Handbook](#)

[Pre-departure guide English](#)

[Pre-departure Guide Chinese](#)

[Pre-departure guide Vietnamese](#)

