



TULLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

29th April 2024

RE: Transition Plan Information for parents of current Year 6 Students enrolling into Tully State High School in 2025

Dear Parent/ Carer giver,

The transition from primary school to secondary school is critical in the health and emotional development of students. The leap from primary into secondary school presents a period of rapid change for children. Stepping into High School for the first time can be a very daunting experience for some students, especially if it is their first exposure to timetables, navigating a big campus, increased homework demands, and being independent and having a high level of organisational skills.

A well-planned and coordinated approach to transitioning students from primary to secondary school during Years 6 and 7 can make a significant difference to a student's achievement, engagement and wellbeing outcomes. By slowly introducing our Years 6 and 7 students to the requirements of secondary schooling, and by developing and fostering the skills they will need to thrive in high school, we give them a flying start in to their secondary years. Tully State High School has a revised transition program that will be in place for 2024 taking into consideration the needs of primary students making this transition.

The following page is the condensed overview of the Transition Plan for students enrolling in Tully State High School for Year 7 in 2025. Key dates are highlighted in bold text.

If you would like any more information regarding this Transition Plan:

- Visit the Tully State High School website
- Call the office on 07 4068 4520
- Email HOD Junior Secondary - Angela Bevan (abeva12@eq.edu.au) or Deputy Principal - Mark McLoughlin (mmclo8@eq.edu.au)

Yours sincerely

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Overview of Transition Plan for Current Year 6 Students enrolling into Tully SHS in 2025

Term	Date	What	Where
2	Week 3 & 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory visit to all primary schools by Deputy Principal and/or Head of Department – Junior Secondary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductory letter to all parents advising them about Transition Schedule Overview 	All cluster primary schools
	Week 6 20 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information night for parents @ 5:30pm (1 hour) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hand out enrolment packs Overview of opportunities available at Tully SHS for students Provide snapshot of Transition Plan for 2024 Introduce available scholarships to parents 	Tully SHS
	Week 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional enrolment packs delivered to remainder of students that did not attend Information night 	Delivered to each Primary School
	Weeks 7-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Head of Special Education Services to discuss incoming students with learning needs and develop transition plans 	Primary schools
	Week 10 Wed 19 th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tully Cluster Band Camp 	Mission Beach SS
3	Week 3 Wed 24 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information Night/ Open Night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation to year 6 parents and students at Tully SHS open night focusing on school life including expectations, structures, first day at Tully SHS <p><i>(This is the same day as Age 10-12 District Trials @ Tully SHS)</i></p>	Tully SHS
	Week 4 31 st July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Transition Day for all schools in Week 4 (Wednesday) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students in primary school groups Classes for the day will have an 'elective subject' focus Additional bus services will be organised for primary students 	Tully SHS
	Weeks 6-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interviews with each parent/ student with enrolment forms filled out <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss academics, attendance, behaviour, additional support required, etc. 	Cluster Primary Schools & TSHS (Options for interviews at either primary school or TSHS)
	Weeks 8-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cluster School Primary Visits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organised visits to observe identified/ Students with Learning Needs (SWD) students in the classroom and liaise with primary teachers & Head of Special Education Services 	Primary Schools
4	Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SWD Transition Walks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interested SWD students and parent/guardians negotiate a time to complete walk-through at Tully SHS with Head of Special Education Services and Year 7 Case manager after school 	Tully SHS
	Weeks 2-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transition Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interested SWD's attend a weekly Transition Program one morning per week 	Tully SHS
	Weeks 4-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compiling class lists and timetables for 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using information from enrolment packs, interviews with parents, GO's, Principals, Year 6 class teachers 	Tully SHS
	Weeks 8 & 9 Mondays of these weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd Round of Year 6 Transition Days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are in classes for 2025 Curriculum focus (core classes) Lunchtime activities organised Transport will be available on normal Tully SHS bus timetables 	Tully SHS