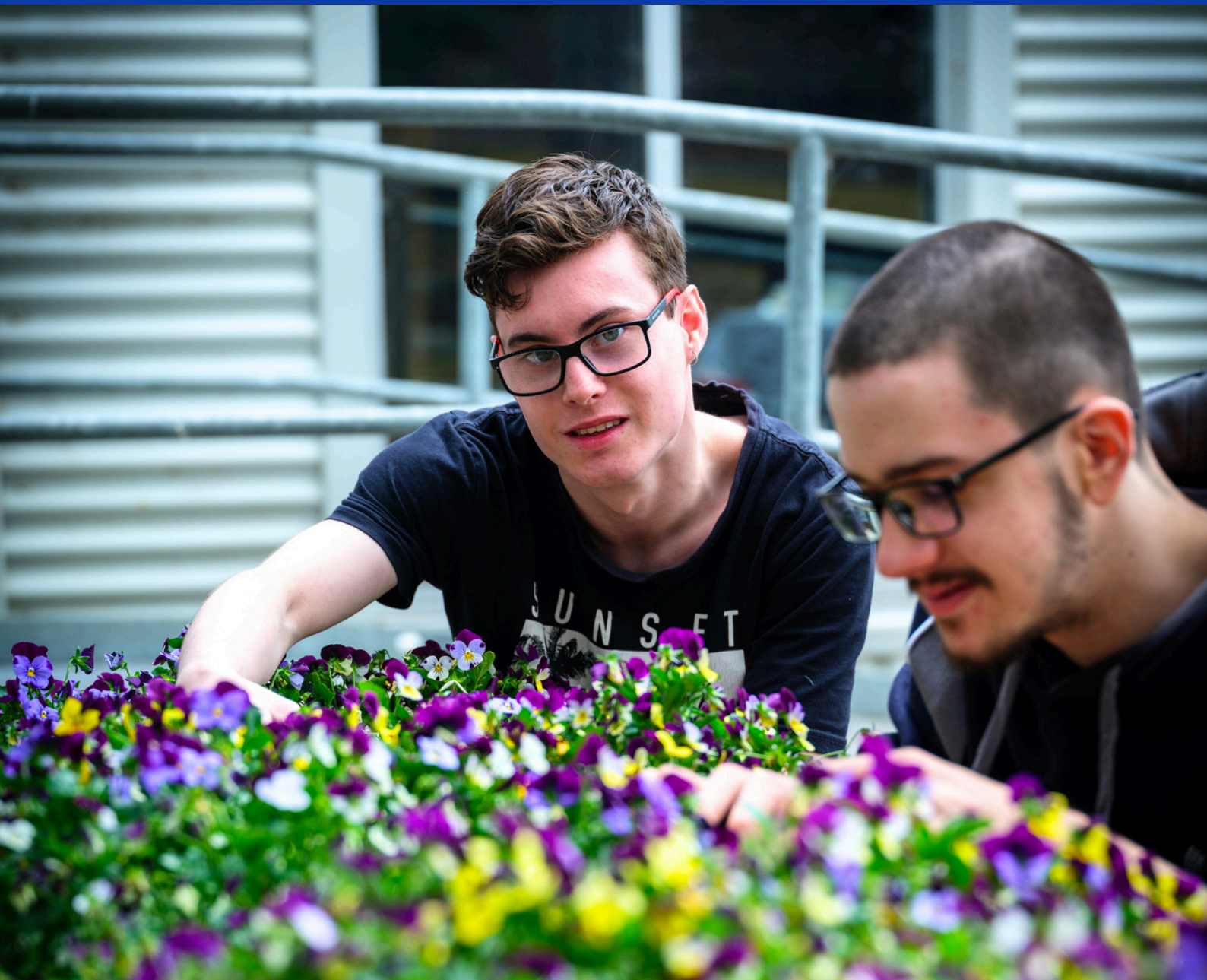


# OUR SCHOOL

ECG SECONDARY COLLEGE IN 2023



**ECG**  
Secondary  
College





## OUR STORY

In July 2009, the inception of Education Centre Gippsland (ECG) Secondary College was introduced as a fresh option for students diverging from the traditional education framework. ECG offered a responsive and supportive pathway, designed to break down learning barriers.

Fast forward thirteen years, ECG Secondary College continues to flourish, often facing demand that exceeds available places in the school. By 2022, the curriculum exclusively focused on senior secondary students studying the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL). A new curriculum was introduced in 2023, replacing VCAL with two new streams: the Victorian Pathways Certificate (VPC) and VCE Vocational Major (VM).

The educational approach emphasises practical, hands-on learning aimed at fostering both work and life skills. With small class sizes, students receive personalised attention, enabling them to progress at their own pace.

Diversity is embraced at ECG Secondary College, where students from all walks of life are welcomed and encouraged to embrace their individuality, as reflected in the tailored curriculum.

Expanding its reach, ECG Secondary College now operates campuses located in Warragul, Leongatha, Pakenham and Dandenong with plans underway for further expansion to meet the growing demand for alternative educational options in the community.





# OUR PHILOSOPHY

ECG Secondary College is committed to delivering a holistic learning program underpinned by a focus on student welfare and wellbeing.

With a student-centred, flexible learning model we adopt a tailored curriculum to develop personal, social, academic and life skills.

Our aim is to ensure that each student is empowered to enter the workforce or pursue further studies with the confidence and skills to manage a successful transition into the adult world.



# LEARNING EXPERIENCES

## VDSS

As part of the senior secondary curriculum, students also participated in the Vocational Education and Training Delivered to Secondary Students program, known in the school as 'VDSS'.

In 2023, this program included:

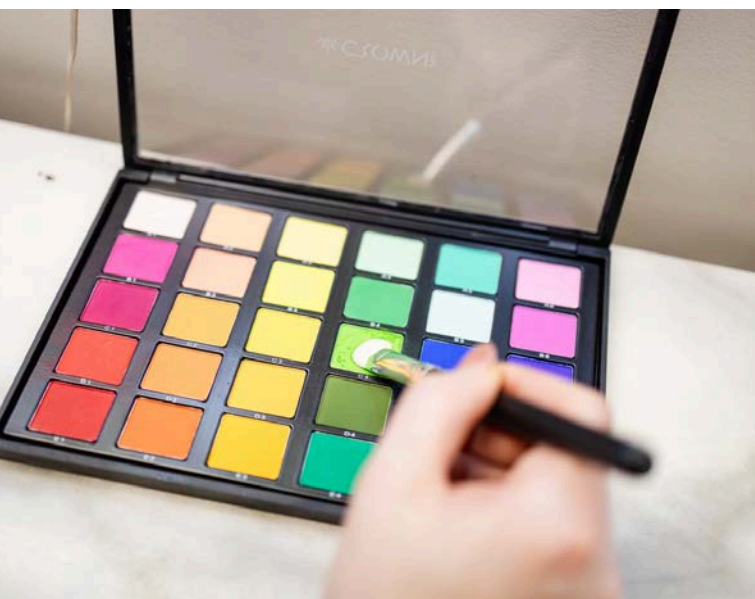
## Qualifications

### Community College Gippsland

- BSB20120 - Certificate II in Workplace Skills
- CHC22015 - Certificate II in Community Services
- SHB20216 - Certificate II in Salon Assistant
- SHB20116 - Certificate II in Retail Cosmetics
- AHC20416 - Certificate II in Horticulture

### Other Training Providers:

- SIT30916 - Certificate III in Catering Operations
- ICT30118 - Certificate III in Information Digital Media and Technology
- CUA31020 - Certificate III in Screen and Media
- HLT33015 - Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance
- AUR20720 - Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation
- TLI20420 - Certificate II in Supply Chain Operations
- 22569VIC - Certificate II in Plumbing - Pre-apprenticeship
- 22513VIC - Certificate III in Equine Studies
- 22338VIC - Certificate II in Building and Construction Pre-apprenticeship
- ACM20121 - Certificate II in Animal Care
- SIT20316 - Certificate II in Hospitality



## Taster Program

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|----------------|---------------------|----------|--|
| Work Rural     | Selected units from | AHC20416 | - Certificate II in Horticulture         |
| Work Shop      | Selected units from | AHC20416 | - Certificate II in Horticulture         |
| Work Skills    | Selected units from | BSB20120 | - Certificate II in Business             |
| Community Care | Selected units from | CHC22015 | - Certificate II in Community Services   |
| Hair & Beauty  | Selected units from | SHB20121 | - Certificate II in Retail Cosmetics and |
|                | Selected units from | SHB20216 | - Certificate II in Salon Assistant      |







# OUR STATS SNAPSHOT

## Funding sources

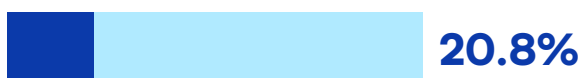
The funding for ECG Secondary College comes from four sources:

1. Federal Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR)
2. State Government Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD)
3. Student-paid fees
4. Other

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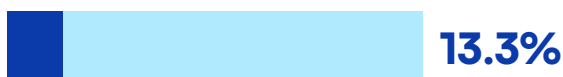
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Student-paid fees



Other







## Expenditure

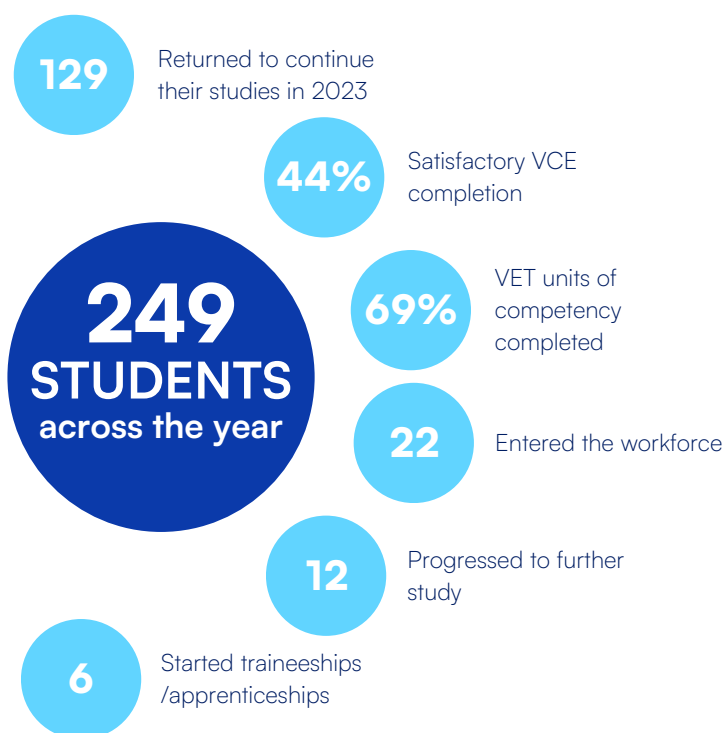
The expenses of ECG Secondary College fall into three categories:

1. Staff Wages
2. VDSS
3. Other Expenses



# OUR STATS SNAPSHOT

## Destination data



## Census data







## Attendance

The ECG Secondary College cohort is comprised of students who face many barriers to education, including financial difficulties, insecure housing, limited access to transport and above all, mental health conditions. Due to these circumstances, many of our students find maintaining regular attendance at school challenging.

It is heartening to note that this cohort of students typically sees a significant increase in attendance at ECG compared to their participation in other education settings. This is due to the unique environment of our school, with the smaller class sizes, higher level of support and learning opportunities aligned with future employment. ECG provides daily support to help keep our students engaged and at school.

Although the ECG program is designed to run over 5 days a week, our highly individualised approach to learning actively plans for reduced contact time for students who are transitioning back into the classroom after long absences. This method is designed to meet the specific needs of our students and to help them engage more fully in school by rebuilding their capacity to focus, regulate their emotions and socially reconnect in a safe and supported way.

The attendance rate for ECG Secondary College for 2023 was 50.12%.

## Benchmarking

Benchmark results and comparisons with previous year: NAPLAN tests not available at years 11 and 12.

## Teacher qualifications



Masters



Bachelor  
Degree



Graduate  
Diploma



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