



18 August 2025

Dear Families,

YEAR 10 CAMP 2025

The Year 10 camp will be held during the second week of Term 4 at Emu Gully, an outdoor education centre that is run with an ANZAC theme. The camp is a leadership and team building program based on the character values of courage, mateship, sacrifice and perseverance. The activities provide opportunities to experience and demonstrate these values.

Dates: Monday 13 October to Thursday 16 October 2025

Mon 13 October	Roll Class & Load buses	7:00 am
	Depart school	7:30 am
Thu 16 October	Arrive back at school	14:00 pm

Location: Emu Gully is located near Helidon, about 15 km east of Toowoomba. Students will live in 'barracks,' sleeping on beds and eating in a 'mess hall.' The Barracks are air conditioned, and students will have access to hot showers and toilets.

Travel: Travel to and from sites will be by hired coach, fitted with safety belts.

Activities: Activities are designed to promote leadership through ANZAC virtues. Activities include a range of strenuous adventure activities, team building challenges, swimming, and paintball. Also included is a bush dance with the Toowoomba bush band "Band O' Coots" on one night, and a facilitated leadership session by the team from "Character Builders" on one night.

Insurance: Please note that Education Queensland does not cover costs for students injured during school activities. Parents may wish to consider obtaining private injury insurance cover.

Groupings: All students are together for meals and in accommodation. Students are sorted into groups for activities on arrival at camp.

Staff: Year 10 Connect teachers will accompany students. Specialist outdoor instructors at Emu Gully will conduct the outdoor activities.



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Equipment: Please read carefully the **equipment list** attached.

Electronic Devices:

Phones and other electronic devices are not permitted on camp. One of the key objectives of our camps is to provide an environment where students can engage with their peers away from their devices. If they are brought to camp, they will be confiscated and returned to students on arrival back at school. Please arrange pick-up locations prior to your student leaving for camp. If pick-up circumstances change during the camp, parents can contact the office and a message will be passed on to the student.

Forms:

Sign-up Process (New Process)

To register your child, please complete the following three steps.

1. **Consent:** Register your child as attending or not attending Year 10 camp.

Please sign into **QParents** and complete the online consent by **Friday 5 September**. If you do not have **QParents**, please request a hard copy consent form.

2. **Student Medical and Dietary Form:** [Complete the form](https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=xccAZrUWr0uekzI72MAdun27uVuTZSFEprX7O2qUZwNURU9DSVFVWE9ENFI2TVdJTE1GQldMRkVZVi4u) using the link below:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=xccAZrUWr0uekzI72MAdun27uVuTZSFEprX7O2qUZwNURU9DSVFVWE9ENFI2TVdJTE1GQldMRkVZVi4u>

The information provided will be used to assist staff in supporting students and if necessary, responding to emergencies.

3. **Payment:** Pay the Camp Invoice by **Friday 5 September**.

Payment:

The cost of the camp is **\$520**. This amount covers travel, instructor fees, equipment, accommodation, and all meals including morning teas and supper. If you would like to request a payment plan, please email accountsreceivable@thegapshs.eq.edu.au.

Please note that students will only be able to attend camp if full payment and all completed forms have been received by the due date. If making payment by instalment, a payment plan must be approved by the school prior to the due date. Where student resource fees are overdue, the Principal has the discretion to exclude a student from camp.



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Refunds: Due to the necessity for the school to commit significant funds to secure camp services, refunds after the enrolment closing date (**Friday 5 September**) are at the principal's discretion and require a medical certificate. If a refund is approved, the amount will be less the funds committed on behalf of the student.

<https://thegapshs.eq.edu.au/SupportAndResources/FormsAndDocuments/Documents/Finance/Payment%20and%20Refund%20Policy.pdf>

Students unable to attend camp are required to attend Work Experience. Please contact Performance and Pathways (Pathways&Performance@thegapshs.eq.edu.au) to sign-up for Work Experience by Friday 22 August.

If you have any questions regarding the camp, please contact either Ben Rothwell or Ivan Mort, on the school contact number 07 3511 3888, or ideally via email to year10camp@thegapshs.eq.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

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