



# Sacred Heart Girls' College

HAMILTON • NEW ZEALAND



*Guiding young women  
to succeed*

# Why choose Sacred Heart?



**140+**

Years of Mission,  
Tradition & Excellence



Small International  
Student Programme.

**Individual support.**

Excellent results  
in NCEA & CAA



**Well above the  
national average**

## **Strong Culture of Care**

- Safe
- Supportive community
- Every student is known and respected

## **Excellent academic pathways**

- A large number of students gain NCEA Scholarships
- Acceptance to top Universities in NZ and overseas

**High quality** English language support (ESOL) small groups, learning support, students success.

**All girls advantage** – opportunities to lead, build confidence, achieve without distraction.

**Great location** – Hamilton City is a vibrant, friendly city, only 90 minutes from Auckland.



*Sacred Heart is a place where international students feel welcome and become part of the school community from their first day.*



# Welcome

I warmly welcome you to Sacred Heart Girls' College, Hamilton, a semi-private Catholic school where every girl is valued, cared for, and encouraged to reach her full potential.

Our school has a proud tradition of academic achievement, leadership opportunities, and service to others. We are here to support you on your academic pathway.

About Our School Sacred Heart Girls' College, Hamilton, was founded in 1884 by the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions. I am very proud of our long history and strong Catholic values.

Education is about more than results - it's about building character, determination, and confidence for life beyond school. Every student has special talents, and it is expected that all girls take part in school life and do their best in all areas.

For our international students, we provide a safe and supportive environment where girls feel at home, make new friends, and grow in knowledge and independence. Our dedicated staff ensure that every student is known, well looked after, both in their learning and in their daily life.

I look forward to welcoming your daughter into our Sacred Heart family.

**Catherine Gunn**  
Principal

## Our Values

**Sacred Heart is a Catholic school built on the values of compassion, service, and respect. These values shape how we teach, how we care, and how we encourage our students to grow into confident young women who can make a difference in the world.**



# Our School Life

## Buddy Program

- A local student guide
- Helps you make friends
- Learn culture
- Have fun together
- Lifelong connections
- Answers your questions

## High Quality ESOL Classes

- Small groups
- Learn better English
- Expert teachers

## Personal mentor

- Academic tracking
- One-on-one support
- Supportive conversations

## High Expectations

- Behaviour
- Uniform
- Students represent themselves with school pride



## International Team



## Always here for you

- Dedicated International team
- 24/7 support
- Counselors support





# Your Journey Starts Here

## Study

- Years 9–13 (ages 13–18)
- NCEA qualifications (pathways to New Zealand and international universities)
- One term and long-term study options
- English Language Support (ESOL) with small groups and individual attention



## Physical Education and Sports

Over 20 sports on offer, including: Netball, Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Rugby, Rowing, Swimming, Equestrian, Muay Thai, Badminton, Cheerleading

Our teams compete in local, national, and Catholic College competitions



## Arts & Culture

Rich and active arts programme including: Visual Arts, Dance, Drama, and Music

- Music and singing lessons with professional tutors
- Annual School Production
- Young Singers in Harmony (Barbershop) - National Champions 2023, 2024 & 2025



Ignite the Passion – inspiring young women to change the world.

# Why Hamilton?



*“ Hamilton City was perfect. A modern city with everything I needed, but small enough to feel safe and easy to.”*

Emilia, Uruguay

## Safe and student friendly:

- There are many schools and universities so students are a big part of the community
- Fastest growing city in NZ with friendly people and a relaxed lifestyle
- Plenty to do - shopping, cafes, cinemas, restaurants
- Beautiful surroundings - Waikato River, Hobbiton, Raglan Beach, Waitomo Caves
- Sacred Heart is close to many shops, restaurants and the bus is outside the school gates

## Arrival:

- Shuttle pick up from Akld Int. Airport to your homestay
- Orientation programme
- Ongoing support from the International Director and staff.

Hamilton to <b>Auckland</b>	90mins
Hamilton to <b>Tauranga</b>	60mins
Hamilton to <b>Rotorua</b>	60mins
Hamilton to <b>Taupo</b>	90mins

## Homestay

### Accommodation:

- Carefully selected, many HS are teachers or families of the school
- Three meals a day, own furnished bedroom
- Safe, kind, caring, supportive, treated as part of the family

*“ Living with a homestay family has been one of the best parts of studying here. They treat me like their daughter, and I feel safe and cared for.”*

Siyi, Beijing

(Now living in New Zealand, Degree in Teaching, University of Waikato.)



Choose our school where your daughter will feel safe, supported and successful.

# SUBJECT SELECTIONS

Age Range 13 - 15

(National Certificate of Educational Achievement - NCEA)

YEAR 9

YEAR 10

YEAR 11

YEAR 12

YEAR 13

Social & Religious Education  
English  
Mathematics  
Physical Education & Health  
Science

**Languages** (rotations of)

- Te Reo Māori
- French
- German
- Spanish
- ESL

**Arts** (rotations of)

- Art
- Dance
- Drama
- Music

**Technology** (rotations of)

- Food Technology
- Digital & Media Technologies
- Design & Visual Communication
- Fashion & Design

Social & Religious Education  
English  
Mathematics  
Physical Education & Health  
Science

**Languages** (1 choice)

- Te Reo Māori
- French
- German
- Spanish
- ESL

**Arts** (choose 2, plus 1 as a backup)

- Art
- Dance
- Drama
- Music

**Technology** (choose 2, plus 1 as a backup)

- Food Technology
- Digital & Media Technologies
- Design & Visual Communication
- Fashion & Design

**COMPULSORY**  
Religious Education  
English  
Mathematics  
(Algebra or Mathematics with Statistics)

**PLUS 4 SUBJECT CHOICES FROM BELOW:**

**Languages**

- Te Reo Māori
- French
- German
- Spanish
- ESL

**Physical Education & Health**

- Physical Education
- Health

**Science**

- General Science
- Science

**Commerce**

**Social Science**

- Geography
- History
- Social Studies

**Arts**

- Practical Art
- Photography/Design
- Drama
- Dance
- Music

**Technology**

- Digital Technologies
- Design & Visual Communication
- Fashion & Design
- Catering & Hospitality

**COMPULSORY**  
Religious Education  
English

**PLUS 4 SUBJECT CHOICES FROM BELOW:**

**Mathematics**

- Mathematics
- Mathematics with Algebra
- Mathematics with Statistics

**Languages**

- Te Reo Māori
- French
- German
- Spanish
- ESL

**Physical Education & Health**

- Physical Education
- Health

**Science**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- General Science
- Physics

**Media Studies**

**Social Science**

- Accounting
- Business Studies
- Economics
- Geography
- History
- Psychology
- Social Studies
- Classical Studies
- Tourism
- Child Development
- Pathways

**Arts**

- Painting
- Photography
- Design
- Music

**Technology**

- Digital Technologies
- Design & Visual Communication
- Fashion & Design
- Catering & Hospitality

**COMPULSORY**  
Religious Education

**PLUS 5 SUBJECT CHOICES FROM BELOW:**

**English**

- Mathematics
- Mathematics with Statistics

**Languages**

- Te Reo Māori
- French
- German
- Spanish
- ESL

**Physical Education & Health**

- Physical Education
- Health

**Science**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- General Science
- Physics

**Social Science**

- Accounting
- Business Studies
- Economics
- Geography
- History
- Psychology
- Classical Studies
- Tourism
- Child Development

**Arts**

- Painting
- Photography
- Design
- Music
- Drama
- Dance
- Music

**Technology**

- Digital Technologies
- Design & Visual Communication
- Fashion & Design
- Catering & Hospitality

NCEA LEVEL 2

NCEA LEVEL 3

# Set your *heart*, on Sacred Heart



Sacred Heart Girls' College



Fees



International Students



Enrolment



Agent Resources



Living in Hamilton



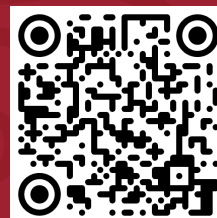
Academic



Sport



Arts & Culture



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