



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 (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.

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

Personal mentor

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

High Expectations

- Behaviour
- Uniform
- Students represent themselves with school pride

Always here for you

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



International Team





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, small enough to feel safe and easy to get around.”

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 Auckland	90mins
Hamilton to Tauranga	60mins
Hamilton to Rotorua	60mins
Hamilton to Taupo	90mins

Homestay

Accommodation:

- Carefully selected, many homestays 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.

Set your *heart*, on Sacred Heart



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Fees



International Students



Enrolment



Agent Resources



Living in Hamilton



Academic



Sport



Arts & Culture



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