THE AUSTRALIAN STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2018 BRISBANE
SCHOOL INFORMATION KIT

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“The students thoroughly enjoyed meeting other leaders and gained so much from the conference facilitators. They have certainly benefited from being involved with yLead and it has already made a difference to themselves, their peers and the school”

- Mrs Lyndy Stagg, Director of Leadership at Ivanhoe Girls Grammar
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Thank you for registering students for The Australia Student Leadership Conference (ASLC).

The world needs more people like you... Passionate educators that believe in our young people and their capacity to influence positive change within our schools and communities. Thank you for investing your time and energy, and extending this unique leadership development opportunity to your students.

Like you, we believe in the potential of young people to lead in our schools and communities. We know that when the community embraces and supports them, they thrive. We believe that when young people are empowered they will solve problems and create things beyond our imagination.

ASLC is a three stage journey that allows students to build a better understanding of, and greater confidence in themselves as a leader (LEADERSHIP BEGINS WITHIN), enhances their skills to lead others (TOGETHER HAS POWER), and allows them to develop tools to put their vision into action (LEADERSHIP IS ACTION). Students participate in activities and workshops, learn from inspiring speakers, are mentored by past Year 12 leaders, and network with students from across the region.

The conference has evolved from humble beginnings, with a small group of students from NSW and QLD first gathering at Camp Bornhoffen in 1991. Over the years the conference has developed and is now held in Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney and Townsville - and has been launched in New Zealand as ‘Rangatira’: The New Zealand Student Leadership Conference. The conference series now reaches 600 students annually and is the largest residential student leadership event in Australia & NZ.

We look forward to sharing the ASLC journey with you and delivering a unique, memorable and transformational development experience to your students.

Matt Kershaw and The yLead Team
CONFERENCE DETAILS

EVENT: ASLC 2018
CITY: Brisbane
REGISTRATION OPENS: 9:00AM
EVENT STARTS: 9:30AM
EVENT CONCLUDES: 5:00PM

DATE: Thursday 11 - Saturday 13 January, 2018
VENUE: Union College
University of Queensland
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GETTING TO THE VENUE

Union College is located within the University of Queensland on Upland Road.
**DAY 1: LEADERSHIP BEGINS WITHIN**

The first stage of the conference helps students gain a greater understanding of themselves as a leader. Throughout the day students will find clarity on their individual passions, attitudes, strengths and ambitions - and the WHY that drives them to want to make a difference. The day gives students greater confidence to be the leader that they want to be! The day features sessions on: understanding leadership, developing a personal brand, leading through signature strengths, personal wellbeing strategies and networking.

**DAY 2: TOGETHER HAS POWER**

The second stage of the conference helps students refine their techniques and strategies when leading others. Students participate in a series of practical workshops through which they explore and practice: public speaking, building trust, communication, negotiation and conflict resolution and project management. Throughout Day 2 students will be assigned to random groups to work on secret projects that will be unveiled at a Closing Ceremony on Day 3.

**DAY 3: LEADERSHIP IS ACTION**

The final stage of the conference is about empowering students with the skills and tools to put their ideas into action. Students will work through sessions that help them identify issues and opportunities within their school, develop a clear vision, understand the keys to effective action planning, and know how to communicate their vision with others. The conference concludes with a closing ceremony that celebrates the contribution each student has made. School staff and parents/families are encouraged to attend.

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**LEAD FACILITATOR**

**Belinda Yorston**

Bel first experienced yLead in 2002 and never imagined that years later she would be out the front, empowering future leaders. After serving as School Captain of Alexandra Hills SHS in her senior year, Bel followed her passion into the performing arts then pursued a career in real estate prior to yLead. Bel has now been part of the yLead team for over five years. She is known for her bright and bubbly style and loves to spread her positivity.

**FACILITATOR**

**Amy Parsons**

Amy first encountered yLead as a participant on the 2012 Australian Student Leadership Conference. For Amy the conference opened her eyes to a world of potential she hadn’t felt before. With a desire to make a difference in the world, Amy volunteered in Fiji and with a variety of social change organisations. Amy became a contract facilitator and then made the move to Brisbane to start full time. Amy exudes warmth, positivity and creativity and loves that she can create the same experience she had for others.
What do I need to do to prepare my students?
Please pass on the student welcome pack (you should have received this with this kit) to attendees and encourage them to complete the student registration ASAP. It would be great if you could take the opportunity to go through the ‘what to pack’ and ‘golden guidelines’ with them. We prefer students don’t know too much about the program prior to attending.

What is the dress code?
Students are asked to wear comfortable, smart-casual clothing appropriate for light physical activity. They are asked to bring a ‘retro’ outfit and nice smart dinner attire for night sessions.

Can members of the school staff attend?
Staff are welcome to drop in at any time. We strongly encourage appropriate school staff to attend the school vision creation and action planning session at 10am on the final day.

Whilst it is not necessary, members of the school staff are also welcome to accompany their students for the duration of the conference. In this case, accommodation and catering will be charged to the school. Please advise us if you would like to discuss this further.

Is catering provided?
Yes. All catering is provided throughout the conference. Please ensure that students provide details in relation to food allergies or dietary requirements in the student registration form.

Is the accommodation supervised?
Yes. yLead staff and conference mentors will be positioned throughout the accommodation to supervise students. Students are housed in share accommodation. There are separate areas for males and females, and sleeping quarters of the opposite sex are strictly out of bounds.

Can students arrive late/leave early/come and go?
The conference journey is carefully crafted. It is our preference that students are present for the full conference experience. If students are unable to attend part of the conference we require written permission from the school and/or parents of the attendee explaining the time of absence and reason for absence.

What happens if a student cancels?
If a student is no longer able to attend the conference they must inform yLead prior to November 10 to avoid a cancellation fee. Student names can be changed at no cost.
THE YLEAD ASSOCIATION

Our mission is to support Australian schools in developing a generation of confident, motivated and skilled young leaders who are capable and willing to make a positive difference in our changing world. We do this through the creation and delivery of school leadership and positive education programs, events and meaningful travel adventures that are engaging and relevant to young people in the 21st century.

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