

NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION INTERNATIONAL

DE International is excited and proud to support SpecFest 2018. We are the international unit of the NSW Department of Education.

Our role is to:

- promote our fantastic schools and education system to students and their families overseas
- help international students apply for our programs
- support schools and staff with enrolment and compliance with government legislation
- arrange study tours and much more.

One of our most rewarding tasks is promoting the benefits of having international students and study tours in our schools and communities. When an international student comes to stay with a host family or to enrol in a school, everyone involved learns about the student's home country, culture and language.

And of course, the international student learns about Australian culture, our school system and way of life, so it's a win - win for all.

One host mother said: "When students arrive we like to say our students come in as a friend and leave as part of our family."

Scan the QR code to access the link to our website for more information on our programs.

"When local students meet students from other countries our students get a global view."

High School Principal





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International students

Contact with an international student at school is often the catalyst for young Australians to become global citizens - living and working in other parts of the world. Our local students develop intercultural understanding and cross-cultural communication skills while international students in schools broaden the curriculum for all students - especially in languages and extension subjects. Students and teachers can tap into the rich resource of international students to add a personal dimension to classroom discussion and learning.

Study tours

Study tours are for students or adults in groups of 10 or more. They are typically 1 to 2 weeks in duration but can be between half a day and up to 10 weeks.

Overseas students on study tours visit schools in metropolitan and rural areas for an Australian cultural experience while improving their English language

An adult study tour may visit a school for just a few hours to observe first-hand the future focused teaching and learning in our NSW government schools.

Study tours can be a great way for schools to fundraise for the school and parents contribute by welcoming the children from overseas into their homes.

Consider hosting a study tour at your school to share ideas and showcase our integrated technology and pedagogy to potential international students, overseas teachers and government officials.



Scan the QR code to access our website and find out more about study tours.







Contact us for more information on becoming a host parent.

Homestay

Have you ever thought of hosting an international student? Host mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters report life-long friendships and affection not just for the international student, but for their extended families and the country they come

It is a wonderful opportunity to learn first-hand about a different culture and you may also look at Australian culture differently - an observer new to Australia often notices what we may take for granted.

You could offer homestay to a student on a study tour for one week or for much longer to an international student who is studying for the HSC. Students pay a weekly fee.

