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2025 Brisbane South

SATURDAY 30 AUGUST



Directors' Message

It is with great joy that we welcome you all to the 37th year of the Opti-MINDS Creative Sustainability Challenge!

There few extra-curricular educational experiences that nurture critical and creative Opti-MINDS the way that does. Challenge scenarios are enriched with complex problems to solve. In their efforts to respond to these scenarios, participants engage in ongoing conversations about the ways that different societies work. This leads children to consider the roles of virtues, values, and beliefs in achieving global sustainability. Above all, the



program serves to amplify the voice of youth. Opti-MINDS participants inevitably feel empowered as they set to the task of designing a bright future for us all.

The 2025 Opti-MINDS Creative Sustainability Challenge brings together 102 schools and 355 teams at 10 regional centres across Queensland. A program of this size and scale demands an ARMY of Opti-Enthusiasts - spirited volunteers who believe deeply in the value of what we do. Today's event is the product of countless hours of dedication to emails, scheduling, trouble-shooting, and physical labour! Please do take the time to thank your region's directors and committee members before you go home. Behind the scenes, your Opti-MINDS Directors, office staff, and executive committee members have invested their passion, expertise, and time to ensure that this extraordinary program is successful now and into the future. Finally, at school level, administrators, facilitators, teachers, and parents have generously supported participants along their Opti-MINDS journeys. You are true **Opti-LEGENDS**, and we thank you for the difference you make every year.

Today is not just about competition - it is a celebration of your achievements. The SPIRIT of Opti-MINDS is built on **kindness**, **compassion**, **tolerance**, and **integrity**. By living these values, you enrich your own lives and inspire positive change in others, helping to make the world a better place. Regardless of the results announced later today, every participant is already a winner. Take a moment to reflect on what you've learned, the friendships you've built, and the skills you've gained. Enjoy the connections, the creativity, and the growth.

Looking ahead, we are excited to invite all qualifying teams to represent their regions at the State Final weekend, hosted at The University of Queensland's St Lucia campus on the 18th and 19th of October. We welcome everyone - participants, supporters, and volunteers - to join us for this vibrant celebration of learning and innovation.

Congratulations to all who have embraced the Challenge. Relax, give your best, and remember to be **UNASHAMEDLY EXCELLENT!®** Above all, have fun!

Your team of program directors,

Colleen, Daniela, and Deporah.

Regional Directors' Message

We would like to welcome all team members, facilitators, school representatives, judges, friends, and families to the Brisbane South Regional Finals for 2025. It is a pleasure to be involved in the 37th year of The Opti-MINDS Creative Sustainability Challenge where keen participants can demonstrate their creativity and problem-solving skills.

Today we have 51 teams from 17 schools participating. For such an experience to take place, many individuals generously share their time and talents and we would particularly like to thank Colleen, Daniela, Deborah, and Tanya from Opti-MINDS headquarters; Jo and the Griffith University team for hosting us; our wonderful vendors – Moovn Coffee, Nanna Jenny's Sweet Treats, and Twisted Chipsters; our incredible volunteer helpers and judges; and finally, our guests who have supported the students' efforts and without whom the day would not be possible.

Congratulations to all participants for undertaking the Challenges with an open-minded quest to make the world a better place – through fun!

Kind regards, Bridget, Dan, and Tiana.

Opti-SCHEDULE

7.45am - 9.00am: Team Registration (undercover area – follow the signs!)

8.15am: Griffith University FIRE BRIEFING (please gather in the undercover area)

8.30am: Long Term Performances Begin (see schedule for rooms – page 6)

8.45am: Spontaneous Challenge Sessions Begin (see schedule for rooms – page 7)

11.00am: Lunch Break

11.15am: Entertainment

12.00pm: Long Term Performances and Spontaneous Challenge Sessions Resume

3.00pm: Long Term Performances and Spontaneous Challenge Sessions Conclude

3.20pm: Presentation Ceremony (auditorium - L06.2.03)

A Message for our Sponsors

We sincerely thank our sponsors for their generous support, which makes the Opti-MINDS Challenge possible. Your contribution helps us to create a positive and inspiring environment where students can think, create, and communicate with confidence. We deeply value your commitment to nurturing creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving in young people.









The Challenges

Language Literature Challenge: A Timely Tale

A fable is a short story that uses animals or fictional characters to teach a valuable lesson. In recent times, we have turned away from fables, favouring screen-based entertainment. As a result, we are missing out on important life lessons.

Never fear – T.R.U.E. is here! This group of fable-enthusiasts creates and presents an original and modern fable that communicates an important 'moral': "One should live with integrity." How will modern audiences respond?

Media Communication Challenge: Integrity Museum

It is the year 2125. All forms of entertainment are experienced online. Even museums exist only virtually. People doubt the integrity of these important institutions – digital artefacts are too easily tampered with!

Museum curators want to restore faith in history by developing an "Integrity Museum". They have decided to curate an online exhibit that captures the essence of life in 2025 - 100 years ago. The virtual exhibit will teach visitors a valuable lesson...

Science Engineering Challenge: Better Together

Long ago, there existed a fantastic (fantasy-like) society that achieved perfect harmony. The leader of this great civilisation was known for their simple motto: "Diversity, integrity, unity!" Over time, however, the society began to fracture. The collective became disconnected.

An inspired citizen has decided to design, construct, and showcase a device that has the capacity to bring society together again. The device has multiple parts (modules), each with their own specialised function, and when pieced together, a celebration of 'diversity, integrity, and unity' can be seen and heard.

Social Sciences Challenge: Automated Integrity

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has been widely embraced as a tool for making life easier. As a result, there is a loss of integrity in society.

To combat this, a new type of 'software' (known as Al-Y) has been developed. It aims to address the loss of strong moral principles in society. It also strives to lift the standard beyond what was previously accepted.

In an interesting twist, the software is not software at all! Al-Y software is actually a group of characters whose personality traits link to real-world problems. Will they succeed in their mission?

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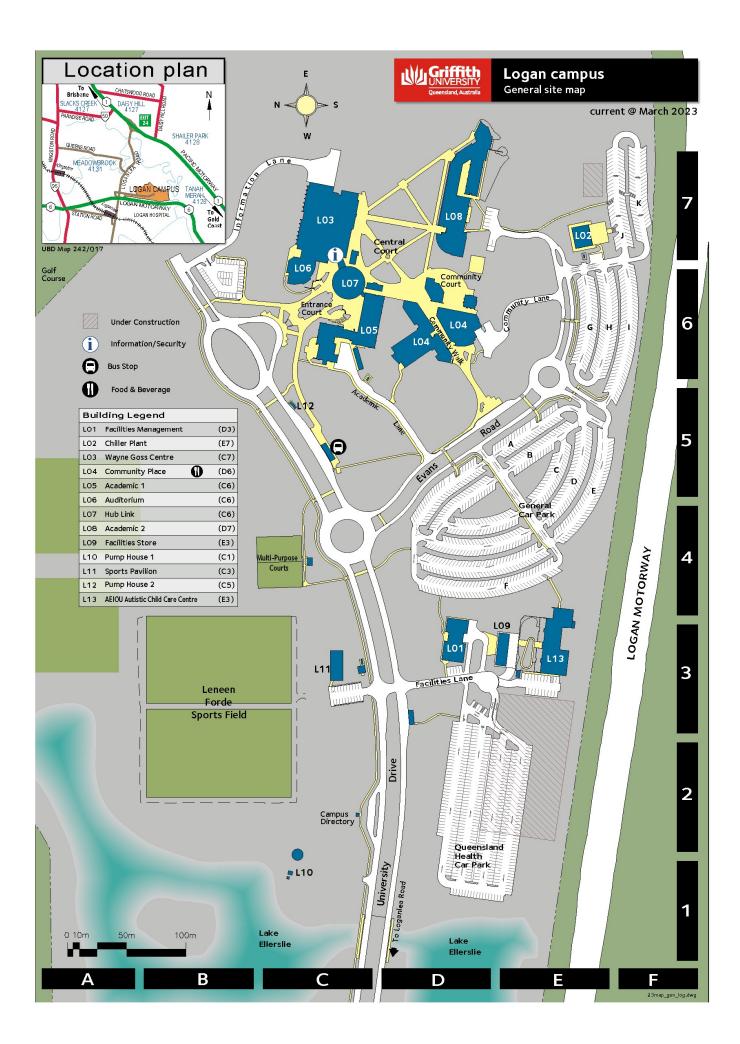
Participating Schools

Opti-MINDS thanks and acknowledges the following schools for their dedication to education, our youth, and our future, through participation in The Opti-MINDS Creative Sustainability Challenge in Brisbane South 2025. Thank you for being a part of our Brisbane South community! We value you.

Carina School	6 years
Cavendish Road State High School	27 years
Clairvaux MacKillop College	8 years
Emmaus College	5 years
John Paul College	35 years
Mabel Park State School	10 years
Manly State School	7 years
Mayfield State School	7 years
Moorooka State School	6 years
Rochedale State School	21 years
Runcorn State School	7 years
Saint Stephen's College	17 years
St Agnes Catholic Primary School	5 years
St Anthony's Primary School	2 years
St Francis College	11 years
Warrigal Road State School	27 years
Yarranlea Primary School	9 years

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8.45am	St Agnes' School - Team 4	L.03.2.15
	St Anthony's School - STA 3	L.03.2.15
	Moorooka SS - VRELIN SEALS	L.04.1.66
	Clairvaux Mackillop College - Team 1	L.04.1.66
	St Francis College - Eclipse	L.03.2.15
	Clairvaux Mackillop College - Team 3	L.03.2.15
	Cavendish Road SHS - Team 4	L.03.2.15
	Saint Stephen's College - Once Upon A Team	L.04.1.66
9.30am	Warrigal Road SS - Warrigal Writing Legends	L.04.1.66
	St Agnes' School - Team 1	L.04.1.66
	Runcorn SS - QAREY	L.08.1.06
	Cavendish Road SHS - Team 5	L.08.1.06
	Warrigal Rd SS - Social Scientists Integrity Grp	L.08.1.06
	Yarranlea Primary School - 3 Truthers 2 Liars	L.03.2.15
	St Anthony's School - STA 2	L.03.2.15
	Mayfield SS - Team True	L.03.2.15
10.15	Clairvaux Mackillop College - Team 5	L.04.1.66
10.15am	Yarranlea Primary School - YarraPizzazz	L.04.1.66
	Saint Stephen's College - Imaginarium	L.04.1.66
	St Francis College - Science Harmony	L.08.1.06
	Moorooka SS - The Architects	L.08.1.06
	John Paul College	L.03.2.15
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	Carina SS - Brainiactz	L.03.2.15
	Cavendish Road SHS - Team 6	L.04.1.66
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	Rochdale SS - Rochdale Reporters	L.08.1.06
	Clairvaux Mackillop College - Team 4	L.08.1.06
	Carina SS - We should have thought this through	L.08.1.06
	Mayfield SS - Sunflowers	L.03.2.15
	Clairvaux Mackillop College - Team 2	L.03.2.15
	Cavendish Road SHS - Team 1	L.03.2.15
	Rochdale SS - Word Whizzards	L.04.1.66
12.45pm	Marooka SS - The Crocs	L.04.1.66
	Emmaus College - Gnarly Gnomes	L.04.1.66
	Rochdale SS - Rochdale Rulers	L.08.1.06
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	St Agnes' School - Team 3	L.08.1.06
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	St Francis College - Team 4	L.03.2.15
	St Anthony's School - STA 1	L.03.2.15
	Rochdale SS - Brainiac Maniacs	L.04.1.66
	Cavendish Road SHS- Team 2	L.04.1.66
	Cavendish Road SHS - Team 3	L.08.1.06
	Yarranlea Primary School - The Hermit Crabs	L.08.1.06



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THANK YOU

We say thank you to all our teams, facilitators, volunteers, and supporters for making the 2025 Regional Challenge Day such a success! Your creativity, teamwork, and enthusiasm have been inspiring. We're so proud of everything you've achieved - and can't wait to see some of you at the State Final!