



Bulloo Shire Council

Department of Education and Training



Students:

From 2012—Years 8-10 students may enrol through Charleville SDE to attend the Remote Secondary Learning Facility.

From 2015—Year 7 will become the first year of High School and students will be eligible to enrol through the Charleville SDE to attend the Remote Secondary Learning Facility.



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Thargomindah Remote Secondary Learning Facility



A partnership between:
Bulloo Shire Council
Charleville SDE
Thargomindah State School and
Department of Education and Training

Management Committee:

A Management Committee has been established to oversee the management of the Facility and will include -

- Principal, Charleville SDE
- Principal, Thargomindah SS
- Bulloo Shire Council, CEO or Representative
- Parent Representative
- Remote Secondary Learning Facility Staff Representative
- Department of Education and Training, DDSW Region Representative.



Bulloo Shire Council

Darling Downs South West Region (DDSW) of the Department of Education and Training and Bulloo Shire Council have signed an agreement to establish a Remote Secondary Learning Facility for local students enrolled in Years 8 to 10 through Charleville School of Distance Education.

Background:

This agreement between the DDSW Region and Bulloo Shire Council is a result of a proposal by Bulloo Shire Council to support parents who choose secondary education through a distance education mode.

This innovative project provides parents with greater choice. It will not impact upon funding opportunities for those families who wish to send their children away to undertake secondary schooling in a boarding school.

Facility:

It is located in the grounds of the Thargomindah SS and it is providing an up to date learning environment for lower secondary distance education students from around rural and remote Thargomindah.

Resources:

This facility is funded by Bulloo Shire Council who is also funding a suitably qualified locally based Teacher Aide and a wide range of resources including computers to support lower secondary studies via distance learning.

The facility was opened by Her Excellency Ms Penelope Wensley AC, Governor of Queensland on Monday 27 February 2012

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Thargomindah State School

Thargomindah lies on the banks of the Bulloo River, 200 kilometres west of Cunnamulla, and 1000 kilometres west of Brisbane.

Thargomindah has a population of approximately 250 people, and the traditional source of industry in the Shire is Beef and Wool, however today, petroleum/oil and gas are a large part of the shire's economy.

Thargomindah SS currently caters for students Prep-Year 7.

The main purpose of the Remote Secondary Learning Facility is to provide a supportive learning environment where junior secondary students can study through School of Distance Education Charleville and can attend the Facility to learn via on-line, paper based and on-air lessons.

Our aim is for students to be tutored by a teacher-aide. The teacher aide will liaise with secondary teachers based at Charleville SDE



Charleville School of Distance Ed.

Providing quality education for Junior Secondary students wherever they may be.

- Caring, capable and committed staff
- Australian Curriculum (2012) delivered through individual lessons, web conferencing, class lessons and on line
- Assistance for Isolated Children allowances information available through www.centrelink.gov.au
- Individualised programs
- Field events including Minischools, Year 4-10 camp, Sports Muster, Swimming Carnival, Speech and Awards
- Home Tutor Support: Kick Start Conference in February, Parent Liaison Officer
- Active supportive Parents and Citizens Association



Teacher Samantha Owczarek, conducting an on-air lesson.

Teachers are based at the Charleville School of Distance Education, and they will deliver distance learning through a combination of on-line, paper based and on-air lessons.

‘Divided by Distance, United by Voice’

