





QATSIF

Building tomorrow's leaders

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander readers are warned that
photographs in this publication may contain images of deceased persons
which may cause sadness or distress.



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of this land and pay our respects to Elders past and present. We also
honour the source of QATSIF funding knowing that this remains a source of deep pain for
many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

We congratulate our QATSIF Scholarship Recipients and encourage you to continue to
honour the legacy of your Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ancestors.





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2 | A Note from our Patron



Since the establishment of the scholarship scheme in 2008 and my involvement as Patron, I fondly remember our Round 1 Students' 114 applications coming from 17 schools totaling \$550,695. In my first speech, I encouraged all the students to 'dream big'. In 2021, applications have increased to 2,014 from 326 schools totaling \$3.66M. The reports coming in from schools indicate that many of these students go on to higher learning and definitely dream big to achieve their career goals. The Trust Fund established through the balance of the Stolen Wages Compensation Scheme was initially valued at \$33M, and utilising only the interest portion of these funds, QATSIF has distributed \$18M. The Trust has grown to just under \$45M.

With the increase in applications, this also broadens the knowledge about the Stolen Wages to generations of young people who may never know about the racist policies of the past. I have kept in touch each year at Graduations to continue to be a voice for the people impacted by these policies but to also persuade you all in your endeavours to be your best.

The Board of QATSIF have worked diligently and consistently over the many years under the leadership of Chairperson, Cindy Shannon to consolidate the future of these scholarships. I was honoured to speak at Cindy's Farewell Dinner on 25 November 2021, and recognised her enormous contributions in creating a program that is sought after by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and schools throughout Queensland. Cindy brought her strength as a proud *Ngugi* woman, a descendent of the *Quandamooka* peoples combined with her high academic achievements to build from scratch a very efficient and well run scholarship scheme. I have no doubt that many walls would have been hit in building a scheme that needed to satisfy so many different players. I wish you all the best, and you go forward with my blessings.

The support I receive from the Secretariat lead by Michael Nayler and his staff go far in ensuring my continued involvement. I appreciate the challenges they have faced this year in re-locating their offices and the additional workload this causes but throughout all this, they still delivered the scholarships program for our schools.

Yimbanu Yinda Yulgu (Listen to my heart)
Noella Ngurra (Thank you)

Aunty Ruth Hegarty





4 | Farewell to our QATSIF Chair



On QATSIF's 13th Anniversary (November 25, 2021), we held a special dinner to thank Professor Cindy Shannon AM who retired as our QATSIF Chairperson after 13 years of dedicated service to QATSIF and Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people.

Professor Shannon had been the Chair of QATSIF since our foundation by the Queensland government on November 25, 2008.

Despite many genuine community concerns about the Queensland government using unspent Stolen Wages reparations funds to set up QATSIF, Professor Shannon saw the potential in supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people with their senior studies.

Over the past 13 years, Professor Shannon's strength, passion and vision has led to over 14,300 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people being approved for a QATSIF Scholarship to assist with the financial costs of completing their senior studies.

QATSIF is forever grateful to Professor Shannon for her foresight, commitment and energy in supporting QATSIF's development through from our early days to being a leader in First Nations scholarships.

Across the evening, Professor Shannon's passion for education and many achievements were recognised by many speakers including:

- Aunty Ruth Hegarty (our QATSIF Patron).
- Uncle Wayne Fossey.
- Samay Zhouand (the Public Trustee of Queensland).
- Jane Ceolin (Deputy QATSIF Chair).
- John-Paul Langbroek (Member for Surfers Paradise).
- Narelle Mullins (past QATSIF Secretariat Manager).
- Chantelle Martin (past QATSIF student and law graduate).
- Fiona Smallwood (QUT).
- Dr Margaret Lee (Brisbane Catholic Education)
- Michael Nayler (QATSIF Secretariat Director).

In introducing Professor Shannon for her response to these speakers, Michael Nayler said, *"I have had the honour of working with Cindy for the past four years and I can't thank her enough for her friendship, mentorship and support."*

Cindy has many well-deserved accolades across a stellar career she received her AM for significant service to Indigenous Health and to medical education, she is Pro-Vice Chancellor (Indigenous) at Griffith University, she has served as our QATSIF Chairperson for the past 13 years and on many other Boards and important state and national advisory groups.



More than any of this though, she has remained true to who she is. She is a loving daughter, sister, wife, mum and extremely proud grandma. I will never forget her giving the "Because of her, we can" NAIDOC speech with her granddaughter cradled in her arms. Being her ever humble self, she was busily apologising, while the rest of us were thinking how blessed we were to be witnessing the living embodiment of "Because of her, we can".

With the biggest, most loving heart, Cindy has always remained humble and focused on others. Her passion and care for all young people, but especially our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people is palpable. She lives and breathes to see others succeed."

As a small thank you, Jane Ceolin presented Professor Shannon with a beautiful artwork created by Brenton Bowen (QATSIF Board Member) on behalf of the QATSIF Board.

QATSIF is grateful to the Public Trustee of Queensland and the Queensland Investment Corporation (QIC) for sponsoring our recognition dinner.

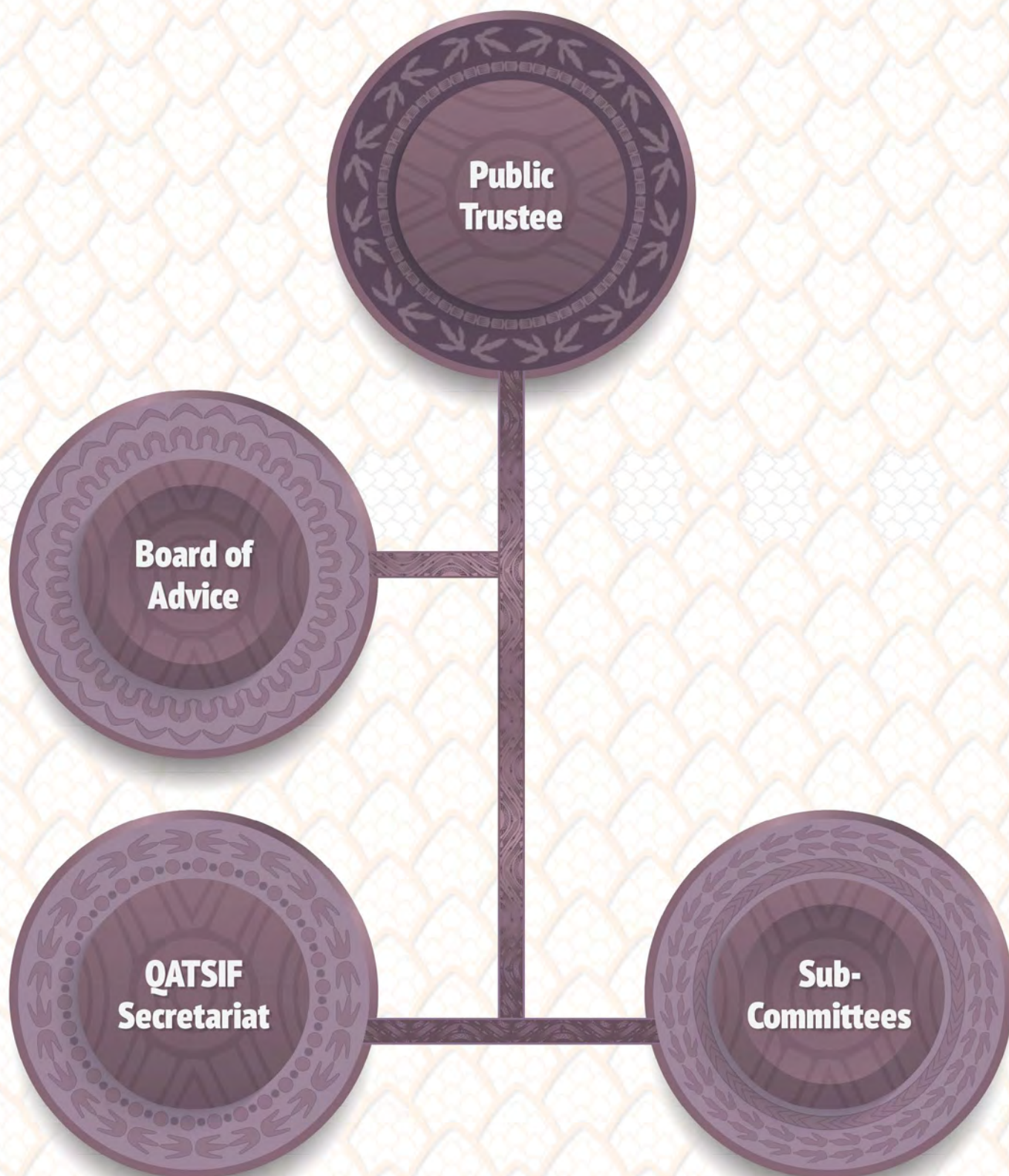
QATSIF will remain in good hands long into the future as Professor Shannon AM has accepted the role of QATSIF Co-Patron to work alongside our beloved Aunty Ruth Hegarty.

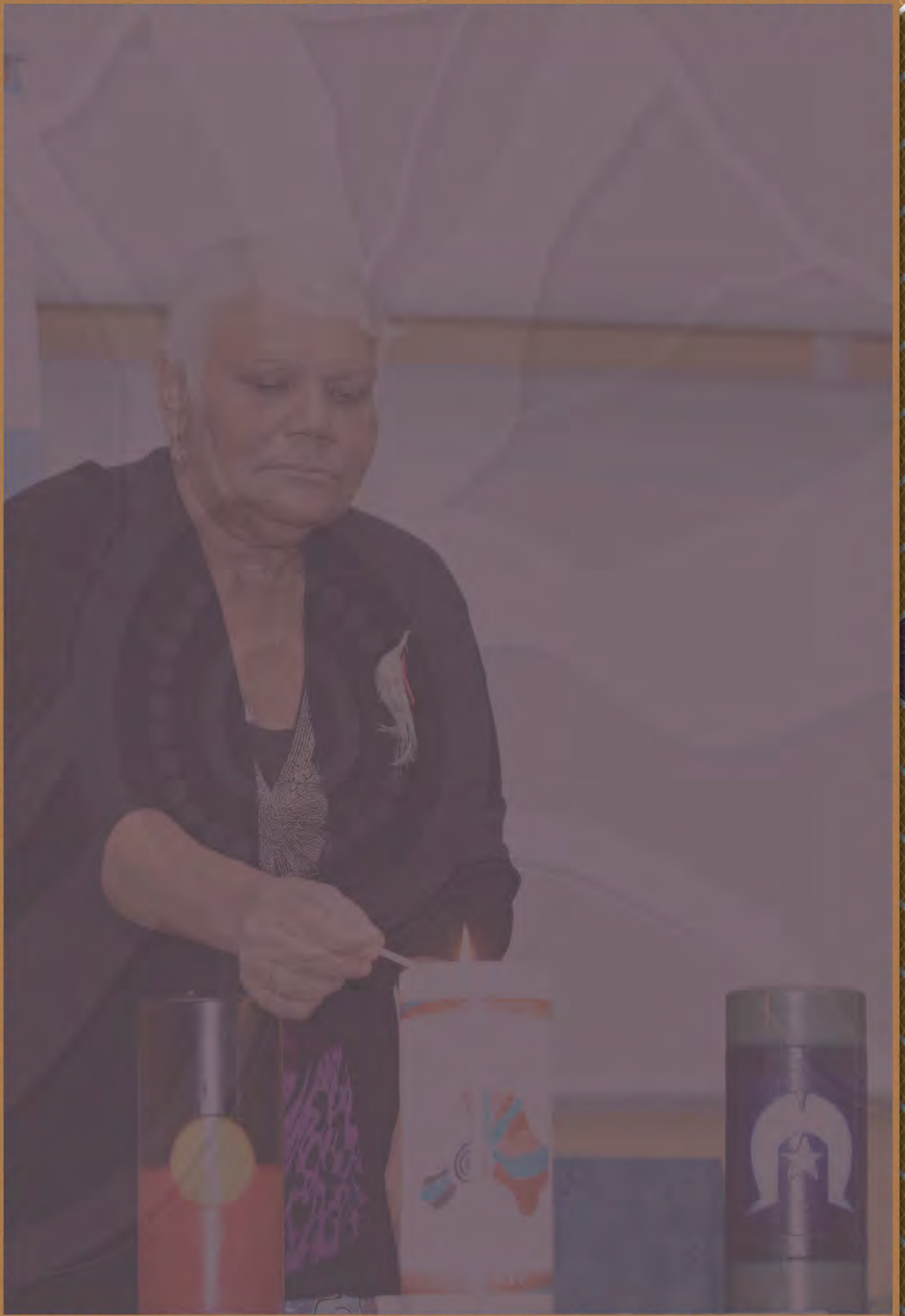
QATSIF is blessed to still have Professor Shannon's passion, wisdom, and strength to guide our vital mission in building tomorrow's leaders.



6 | *Our Governance*

The Public Trustee of Queensland is the Trustee of our Foundation. As an independent Trustee, they are responsible for ensuring the administration of the Foundation in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed.





8 | From the Public Trustee



It is my great pleasure to provide a foreword to the 2021 Annual Report of the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation (QATSIF) and report on their success.

In QATSIF's inception year, 2008, the Trust Fund held close to \$33 million of initial capital to be preserved. In the 13th year - 2021 - the total value of QATSIF has grown to just under \$45 million.

Over the years, shrewd investment in the Trust Fund has increased its value allowing many more students to benefit from the scholarships. In the first round of offers in 2010-11, 114 students from 17 schools received scholarships, worth a total of \$550,695. In 2021-22, this has grown to 2,014 students from 326 schools, sharing in \$3.66M

We know that supporting education is an important step in giving young people choices about their ongoing education and future careers and that scholarships offered to students can reduce the financial pressure on their families.

Past research with school staff and members of Indigenous communities tells us the QATSIF scholarship program also encourages and supports cultural pride and confidence among students who are successful, and each scholarship represents a great achievement for the recipient.

It is great news that in 2022-23, 1,911 students from 323 schools will benefit from a total of \$3.49M provided by the Trust Fund.

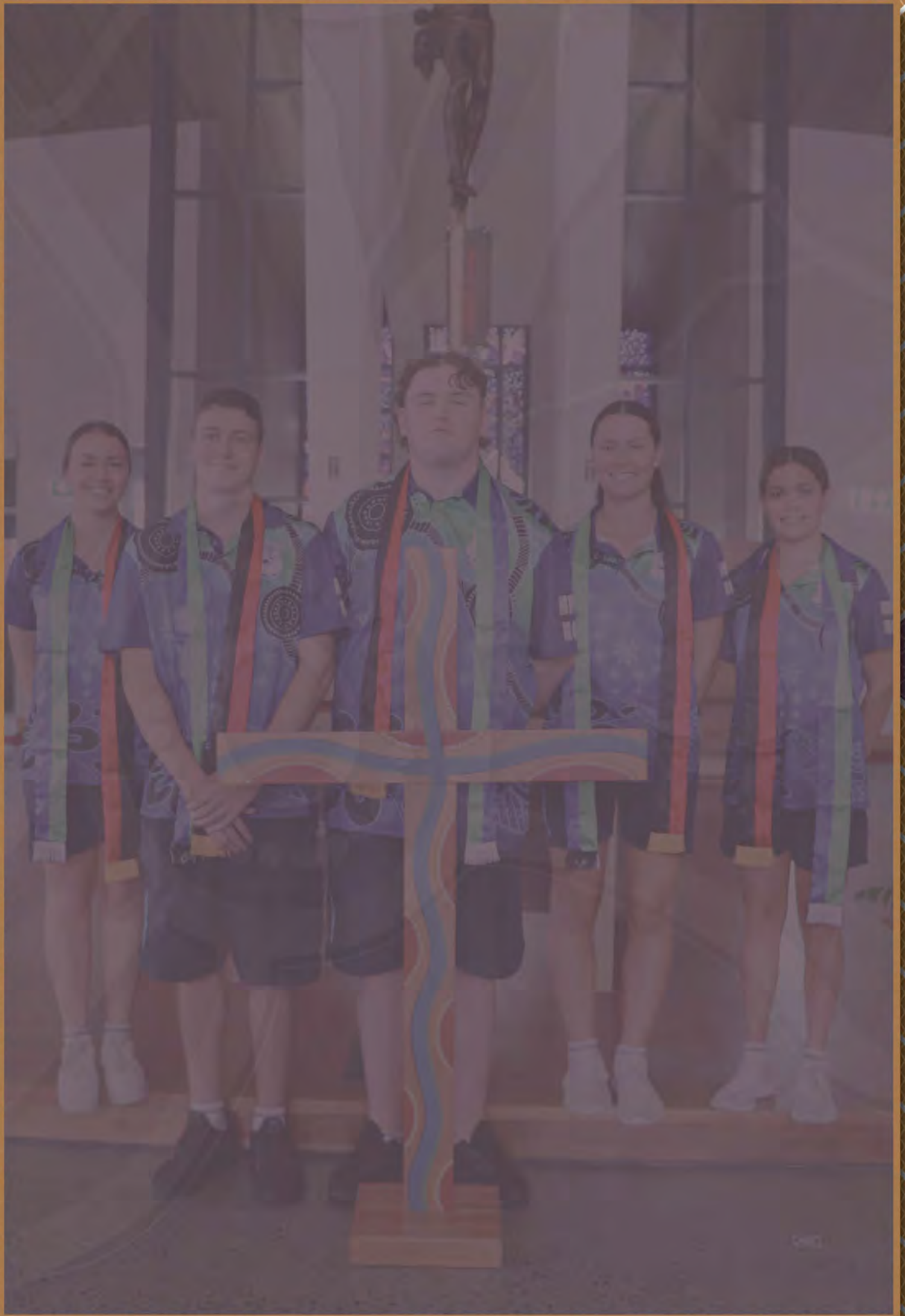
I congratulate QATSIF on their work in providing increased educational opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander school students and am proud to be part of this incredible organisation. As Trustee for QATSIF, I am confident the Foundation is supporting the next generation of scientists, teachers, artists, professional sportspeople and the many other opportunities or career paths the recipients aim to pursue.

I would like to acknowledge the oversight and advocacy of Professor Cindy Shannon AM, QATSIF's founding Chair of the Board of Advice. Professor Shannon announced she was standing down from the Board at the end of 2021 and I, for one, will certainly miss her advice.

Professor Shannon's 13 years of leadership has resulted in QATSIF supporting more than 12,400 students to complete their high school education. It is a remarkable achievement that will continue to enrich the lives of many Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and benefit our communities.

I wish success for all QATSIF's successful scholarship recipients in their final years of high school. I know that you will go on to do great things.

Regards,
Samay Zhou
Public Trustee of Queensland and CEO



10 | Our Board of Advice

The Trustee is assisted by a Board of Advice, providing strategic direction for the Foundation, and advising the Trustee on the application of scholarship funds.



PROFESSOR CINDY SHANNON AM (CHAIR)

Professor Shannon AM is a proud *Ngugi* woman and a descendant of the *Quandamooka* people. She has made a significant and extensive contributions to health policy including working on maternal, foetal and infant health in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities including dealing with difficult issues such as drug and alcohol abuse and homelessness.

Professor Shannon brings to the Board her experience in the community as an educator, her extensive network within the sector, and views of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People in rural, remote and urban settings.

MRS JANE CEOLIN (DEPUTY CHAIR)

Jane is an Aboriginal woman with cultural and traditional connections to Far North Queensland. Through her mother and father's connections, Jane is of the *Wulgurukaba* and *Yirrganydji* peoples. Jane has worked with a diverse range of teams across key stakeholder groups including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members to build and sustain effective partnerships and networks. She was appointed to a leadership role at Australian Catholic University in August 2012 and from December 2012 became the Acting Director of the Centre for Indigenous Education and Research. She was appointed as Director, First Peoples and Equity Pathways Directorate, ACU in December 2014.



MR MARK BRAND

Mark has worked with privately owned and publicly listed companies in Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria, as well as closely with Government for more than 20 years. He is a broadly experienced manager with strategic and operational experience in technical, consulting, human resources and not-for-profit sectors.

He has visited and engaged with a number of Aboriginal communities, particularly on Cape York since 2004 and seeks to contribute towards improved educational outcomes and the growth of the Foundation.



MS KELLIE MCDONALD

Kellie McDonald is a young Aboriginal woman whose Mob is *Mandandanji* from Roma. She was a QATSIF Scholarship Recipient in Round 2. After graduating from Alexandra Hills State High School, Kellie completed a Bachelor of Health, Sport and Physical Education degree at the University of Queensland. She is now a teacher at the West Moreton Education and Training Centre. Through her commitment to education, Kellie continues to motivate, educate and inspire Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander students to improve their academic results, cultural knowledge and overall physical and mental wellbeing.

Kellie is the first former QATSIF Scholarship Recipient to be appointed to the QATSIF Board of Advice.



MR KENNETH JAMES (JIM) WALKER

Jim Walker was born in Rockhampton and is a descendant of the *Iman* and *Goreng Goreng* peoples of Central Queensland.

He has extensive experience in working for both Queensland and Australian government departments and agencies. Up until January 2015, Jim had worked for more than 7 years in the Office of Indigenous Engagement within CSIRO and in this position his responsibilities included increasing the engagement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees, cadetships and internships in science and encouraging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to take up studies in Science and Mathematics.

As part of his career, Jim has also been engaged as a lecturer at the University of Queensland, the Australia Catholic University and the University of Canberra in Indigenous Studies.

MR BRENTON BOWEN

Brenton Bowen who was born in Cairns and raised in Hopevale, is a proud *Guugu Yimithirr* man.


Brenton excelled in both sports and his studies as a boarder at St. Teresa's College, Abergowrie. At the age of 17, he signed his first contract with the North Queensland Cowboys and made his NRL First grade debut at the age of 19. His career in the NRL spanned 8 years and saw him play for North Queensland Cowboys and the Gold Coast Titans.

After retirement from football, Brenton worked for 10 years in the Department of Human Services. He is currently working for IUIH as a Deadly Choices Ambassador.

Brenton also encourages students who have aspirations of becoming professional athletes to gain a tertiary education or trade, as professional sport does not last for ever. He strongly believes that having tertiary qualifications or a trade is very important to set you up for life after professional sport.



12 | *About our Foundation*



The original monies are preserved.

Mission

QATSIF has been established to support the education of First Nations young people in Queensland.

History

QATSIF was formally launched on the 25th of November 2008 with a deed signing ceremony and announcement of the Board of Advice Members at Queensland Parliament House.

QATSIF was established with principal funding of \$25.8 million from the former Aborigines Welfare Fund and unspent monies from the Indigenous Wages and Savings Reparations Scheme.

Donations and interest earned on the capital funding are used to provide scholarships for Years 11 and 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in Queensland.

This income is used to provide our scholarships.



14 | Our Students

QATSIF works with Queensland secondary schools from across State, Catholic and Independent sectors, who then liaise with students, their families and the wider community to provide QATSIF Scholarships to eligible Year 11 and 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders.

Engaging families is fundamental to the success of our program, and ensures that each student understands the source of their scholarship funding, is committed to making the most of this opportunity, and has the support from family and community members to help them achieve their Year 12 Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) or Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement* (QCIA – * for students with a verified disability).

In order to be awarded a scholarship, students must demonstrate consistently high school attendance, diligence in achieving positive academic outcomes, cultural pride, school participation and the prospect of achieving a QCE or QCIA* (* for students with a verified disability) by the end of Year 12.

Enhancing cultural pride is one of the aims of our QATSIF Scholarships. QATSIF uses every opportunity possible to remind QATSIF students of the often harsh working conditions of their Elders and Ancestors who have made today's QATSIF scholarships possible. Students are reminded that past injustices continue to cause pain and that today's Scholarship Recipients through their academic efforts and outcomes can make their families, Elders and communities proud.

QATSIF delights in our QATSIF students confidently communicating the richness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture through the creative arts and in many other cultural activities.

QATSIF Creative Arts Competition

In 2021, QATSIF held our 4th annual QATSIF Creative Arts Competition for Year 7 – 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from across all Queensland schools. QATSIF is proud to celebrate our deadly students' talents across all endeavours including the Creative Arts.

Each year the number of students entering our competition continues to grow. In 2021, we had 72 entries. As well as many visual arts entries, it was deadly to showcase poetry, ceramics, music, dance, weaving, mask making, sculpture and story-telling.

We thank all of our talented young artists and the amazing school Creative Arts staff who have supported and inspired them. The deadly art below was selected for our 2022 QATSIF coffee mugs:



Spirit Song
Lurlene Langton
GOOD SAMARITAN COLLEGE



Yarning as One
Kaiden Ratcliff
RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE



My Identity
Michael Baragud
TAGAI STATE COLLEGE

2021 QATSIF Creative Arts Competition Results

YEAR 7 VISUAL ART AWARDS

1ST PLACE: Leslie Foster (Mareeba State High School)

2ND PLACE: Filiara Salam (Mount St Bernard College)

3RD PLACE: Dekierim Schrieber (Mount St Bernard College)

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

- ★ Ellena Warria (Tagai State College)
- ★ Kate Johnson (Bracken Ridge State High School)
- ★ Reem Sam (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Rotannah Joe-Gela (Mount St Bernard College)

YEAR 10 VISUAL ART AWARDS

1ST PLACE: Emerson Kucks (Lourdes Hill College)

2ND PLACE (JOINT WINNERS):

- ★ Jamieka Tilmouth (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Jilaysha Tilmouth (Mount St Bernard College)

3RD PLACE: Graham Melville (Upper Coomera State College)

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

- ★ Annakye Evans (Grace Lutheran College, Caboolture)
- ★ Elicia Melville (Upper Coomera State College)
- ★ Graham Melville (Upper Coomera State College)

LINO PRINT AWARDS

1ST PLACE: Blayse Zamiak (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

2ND PLACE: Michael Baragud (Tagai State College)

3RD PLACE (JOINT WINNERS):

- ★ Jack Barnes (St Augustine's College, Cairns)
- ★ Joanna Mari (Tagai State College)

DANCE AWARD

1ST PLACE (JUNIOR): Talia Crabb (Carmel College)

YEAR 8 VISUAL ART AWARDS

1ST PLACE: Olivia Doyle (Urangan State High School)

2ND PLACE: Abby Lock & Lachlan Neale (Earnshaw State College)

3RD PLACE: Nayita Joseph (Tagai State College)

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

- ★ Loveona Ballie (Mount St Bernard College)

YEAR 11 VISUAL ART AWARDS

1ST PLACE: Jessica Johnston (Groves Christian College)

2ND PLACE (JOINT WINNERS):

- ★ Jacinta Marrison (Queensland Academy for Health Sciences)
- ★ Linnie Tyson (Carinity Education - Southside)

3RD PLACE: Kalaiyah Ottaviano (Carinity Education - Southside)

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

- ★ Hannah Kaitap (Tagai State College)
- ★ Jyrett David (St Augustine's College, Cairns)
- ★ Laura Bob (Tagai State College)
- ★ Melinda Obah (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Phyllis Maher (Beenleigh State High School)
- ★ Tayiesha Warria (Mount St Bernard College)

MUSIC PERFORMANCE AWARDS

JUNIOR 1ST PLACE (JOINT WINNERS):

- ★ Nellie Browning (Queensland Academy for Health Sciences)
- ★ Sajida Coolwell, Chenille Bengaroo, Georgia Clay & Kyzearne Bulsey (All Souls St Gabriels School)

POETRY AWARDS

1ST PLACE (MIDDLE): Jacob Lasserre (St Mary's College (Toowoomba))

1ST PLACE (SENIOR): Zac Brady (Harristown State High School)

2ND PLACE (SENIOR): Kynan Lamb (Harristown State High School)

YEAR 9 VISUAL ART AWARDS

1ST PLACE: Quinn Go Sam (St Mary's Catholic College Woree)

2ND PLACE (JOINT WINNERS):

- ★ Kaiden Ratcliff (Riverside Christian College)
- ★ Sienna Willmet (Lourdes Hill College)

3RD PLACE: Audrey Higgins (Lourdes Hill College)

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

- ★ Annie Reihana (Beenleigh State High School)
- ★ Jenorah Yellub-Fell (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Makala Harries Spinnler (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Mikah Browning (King's Christian College)
- ★ Shania O'Brien (King's Christian College)
- ★ Yalla Jacksonia (Northern Peninsula Area College)

YEAR 12 VISUAL ART AWARDS

1ST PLACE: Lurlene Langton (Good Samaritan College)

2ND PLACE (JOINT WINNERS):

- ★ Jaeve Proberts (Genesis Christian College)
- ★ Kira-Lee Cooper Wilson (Ravenshoe State School P-12)

3RD PLACE (JOINT WINNERS):

- ★ Alice Morton (Ferny Gorge State High School)
- ★ Kynan Lamb (Harristown State High School)

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

- ★ Andrew Young (St Augustine's College, Cairns)
- ★ Anita Richard (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Blayse Zamiak (St Augustine's College, Cairns)
- ★ Tahnee Stewart & Kaylisha Mamarika (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Tina Dau (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Zac Brady (Harristown State High School)

POTTERY AND CERAMICS

1ST PLACE (YEAR 7): Kirra Anderson & Nadia Chapman (Earnshaw State College)

2ND PLACE (YEAR 7): Piiramu Wilson (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

1ST PLACE (YEAR 9): Taryn Anno & Lynette Sands (Earnshaw State College)

2ND PLACE (YEAR 9): Xavier-Ray David-Williams (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

3RD PLACE (YEAR 9): Bruce Mountford (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

★ Paddy Bassani (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

★ Tai Thurgate (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

1ST PLACE (YEAR 11): Tali Karklis (Carmel College)

SCULPTURE AWARD

GHOST NET

1ST PLACE: Matraima Faud (Mount St Bernard College)

MASK

1ST PLACE (YEAR 12): Tanisha Vincent (Mount St Bernard College)

STORYTELLING AWARD

1ST PLACE: Tahlee Adams (Lourdes Hill College)

*The sea cows of the Torres Strait – Rotannah (YEAR 7),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE*



*The Rainbow Serpent – Dekierim (YEAR 7),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE*



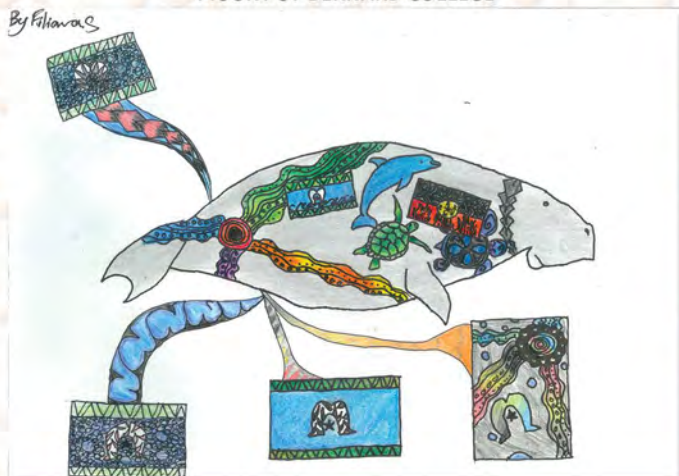
*Communities Healing Country – Kate (YEAR 7),
BRACKEN RIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL*



Kirra and Nadia (YEAR 7), EARNSHAW STATE COLLEGE



Peace on Earth – Filiara (YEAR 7),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Dadhakub (Camp) – Ellena (YEAR 7), TAGAI STATE COLLEGE



Piiramu (YEAR 7), ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE



Tablelands – Leslie (YEAR 7),
MAREEBA STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Special to me – Rotannah (YEAR 7),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Life as an Aboriginal girl (STORY) – Tahlee (YEAR 7),
LOURDES HILL COLLEGE

Goo-roo-mba big-I. My name is Lowanna, I am Aboriginal, and I was born in 1952. When I was two weeks old, I was taken to live in Manly with my cousins, as my mum was sick and could not look after me. I am very lucky. Others were not so lucky.

Tomorrow I am going to meet my older siblings for the first time, and I am so excited. I was sad to leave them. I wish they did not have to go through what they went through. We all are safe and happy now, that is all that matters.

I have started high school now and I was so excited to try out for the netball team. I went to the netball try out and as soon as the other girls saw me, they gave me weird looks just because of the way I was born. They told me to go home but I was not going to just give up, so I practised and practised every day after school.

I walked to the netball grounds to show the coach what I could do but he ignored me. I started to shoot some hoops like I did at home, and they all were stunned by what I could do.

I did not realise I was that good at netball, I thought my Aunty was saying that because she loves me. They had to

Two Worlds – Reem (YEAR 7), MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



work some things out so that I could join the team and then I was winning netball games. All the time, everyone was so proud of me and how I got on to the team.

In the end I know my talent. I know that this is me and you cannot change the way I was born. This is me!

Heal the Land (LYRICS)
Nellie (YEAR 7), KING'S CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

*A gum tree standing alone in the middle of the street
Where the green grass used to grow is made of concrete
And the place that used to be of song and dance
Is now the place we go to buy our groceries*

*But together let's heal the land
It will never be the same but let's just compromise
There are still valleys and deserts and forests untouched
So let's keep it that way*

*A fallen nest of native birds
New pests and new disease from years ago
And the songs have changed and the empty valleys filled
And now all we hear is the sound of that ticking clock*

*But together let's heal the land
It will never be the same but let's just compromise
There are still valleys and deserts untouched
Let's keep it that way*

*And the shining moon has always shone
And the dazzling stars still shine above
And the wind that blows has always blown
And the sun is still shining*

*But together let's heal the land
It will never be the same but let's just compromise
There are still valleys and deserts and forests untouched
Let's keep it that way.*

A Brighter Future – Olivia (YEAR 8),
URANGAN STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Kookaburra Dreaming – Loveonia
(YEAR 8), MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Islanders' Life or Totem – Nayita
(YEAR 8), TAGAI STATE COLLEGE



Two Breeds Apart – Abby & Lachlan
(YEAR 8), EARNSHAW STATE COLLEGE



Heal Country! (LYRICS) – Sajida, Chenille, Georgia &
Kyzearne (YEAR 7), ALL SOULS ST GABRIELS SCHOOL

GEORGIA:

*Heal country, you don't have to be sad,
You can be happy and you can be glad,
But try your best at everything,
Just keep on moving, like the words you sing
And keep on trying and doing your thing
You don't have to be scared, so use your voice
You don't have to be shy, it's your choice
Don't let anyone stop you, keep on being brave,
Be kind to your Elders, and the land you'll save
Protect your country, be proud of your culture
Remember your past, but live for your future.*

CHENILLE:

*Protect your family, protect your friends,
Protect your community it's not the end
Don't forget your culture, it's here to stay,
Don't put it off for another day
Remember the old days, but today is a new day
Go outside and don't be lazy
Staying inside will make you crazy
To heal your country you've got to live it,
Love and support you've got to give it.*

SAJIDA:

*Ready to shine just like a black diamond
No need to be ashamed of who you are
Just have courage and you'll get far.
Don't worry because you have a big heart
It won't melt and fall apart.
You have the power to push up hard.
No matter where I go, I'll still shine like a diamond,
Along with my Ancestors from Palm Island.*

ALL:

*Heal country! Here we go
Another new day ready to glow
Here we come, we're ready to shine
Like a glowing star in the night-time sky.
Heal country! Heal country!
Heal country! Heal country!
Heal, heal country! Heal, heal country!
Heal, heal country! Heal, heal country!
OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH!
OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH!*

A New Place – Mikah (YEAR 9),
KING'S CHRISTIAN COLLEGE



Byan – Sienna (YEAR 9),
LOURDES HILL COLLEGE



Yiramiilan – Audrey (YEAR 9),
LOURDES HILL COLLEGE



Our Country – Makala (YEAR 9),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Shania (YEAR 9),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Jenorah (YEAR 9),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Towri – Quinn (YEAR 9), ST MARY'S
CATHOLIC COLLEGE



Paddy (YEAR 9), ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE



Sea pot –
Xavier-Ray (YEAR 9),
ST AUGUSTINE'S
COLLEGE



Tai (YEAR 9), ST
AUGUSTINE'S
COLLEGE



Diron Snake – Annie (YEAR 9),
BEENLEIGH STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Bruce (YEAR 9),
ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE



Taryn & Lynnette (YEAR 8-9),
EARNSHAW STATE COLLEGE



Our Country – Yalla (YEAR 9),
NORTHERN PENINSULA
AREA COLLEGE



Dreamtime Snake – Graham (YEAR 10),
UPPER COOMERA STATE COLLEGE



Ancestral Healing – Emerson (YEAR 10),
LOURDES HILL COLLEGE



The New Beginning – Graham (YEAR 10), UPPER COOMERA STATE COLLEGE



Spirit Bird – Elicia (YEAR 10),
UPPER COOMERA STATE COLLEGE



I'm Sorry (POEM) – Jacob (YEAR 10), ST MARY'S COLLEGE (TOOWOOMBA)

Rain fell on the beach like men in conflicts,
The waves were crashing and roaring.
Boats came with guns and convicts,
We knew the end was dawning.

They beat and massacred my Ancestors,
I can feel their pain inside me.
Enduring the agony, they despised their oppressors,
Never receiving an apology.

220 years after the invasion,
The 'sorry' finally arrived.
It attempted to bind the wounds of a nation,
Instead it was lacking and deprived.

Generations had lost their culture and heritage,
Their leaders didn't care or worry.
The rivalry of parties got too competitive,
For the race to say sorry.

Is an apology to move on or move forward?
What does it mean to apologise?
They didn't care when they came with explorers,
When they came to colonise.

Sorry isn't a word that is used randomly,
It holds value and significance.
It should serve as the roots for a blooming tree,
To make the future magnificent.

Change won't happen if we don't make it change,
Nothing will be fixed with only words.
Assist each other to write in history's page,
The brighter way we're heading towards.

We're not separate in origin, but one in unity,
The future can be changed, but not the past.
By working together locally and nationally,
We can make a country that'll last.

Heal Country! – Jilaysha (YEAR 10), MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Alukera – Jameika (YEAR 10), MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



I am a Kurna Woman – Annakye (YEAR 10), GRACE LUTHERAN COLLEGE



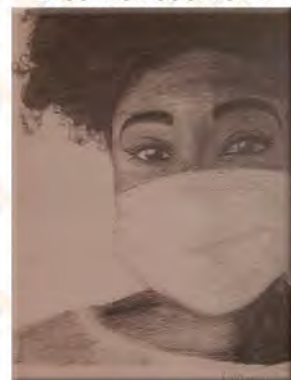
Home – Laura (YEAR 11), TAGAI STATE COLLEGE



A Journey of Healing – Jessica (YEAR 11), GROVES CHRISTIAN COLLEGE



Kalaiyah (YEAR 11), CARINITY EDUCATION SOUTHSIDE



Together We Live – Jacinta (YEAR 11), QUEENSLAND ACADEMY FOR HEALTH SCIENCES



Emu Dreaming – Melinda (YEAR 11), MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



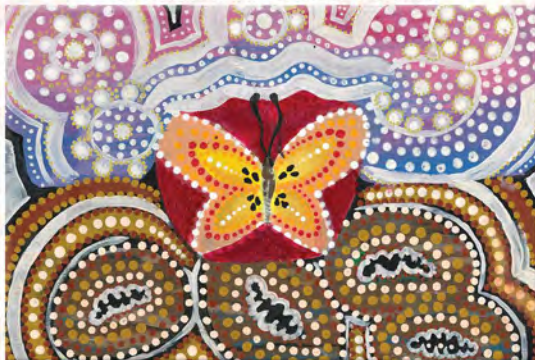
Portrait of Aunty Nic – Linnie (YEAR 11), CARINITY EDUCATION SOUTHSIDE



Cow Skull – Jyrett (YEAR 11), ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE



Gilgil Bihdjun (Central Heart) – Phyllis (YEAR 11), BEENLEIGH STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Arkai Buthu – Hannah (YEAR 11), TAGAI STATE COLLEGE



Into the Deep – Matraima
(YEAR 11), MOUNT ST BERNARD
COLLEGE



Mother Nature – Talia (YEAR 11), CARMEL COLLEGE
DANCE VIDEO LINK: <https://youtu.be/MeanGMOxMY0>



Heal my Country – Tali (YEAR 11),
CARMEL COLLEGE



Before Ways – Tayiesha (YEAR 11), MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Racism and Reconciliation (POEM) – Kynan
(YEAR 12), HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

*Culture has been lost from the old generation,
Traditions and ties cut with rules of segregation,
Our people governed by strange laws
with no explanation,
And all because of what?
RACISM!*

*But our people's roots in this land
are like native plantations,
And together we're reviving culture,
through pure dedication,
Reconciling our troubled history
with others in this nation,
And trying to end,
RACISM...*

Hammond Islander Dancer – Blayse
(YEAR 12), ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE



The Heart of Pain (POEM) – Zachery (YEAR 12), HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

*Trapped in a never- ending cycle of pain,
With memories and sadness of losses,
no gain,*

*Our people are in denial of scars in their hearts,
It's become unrepairable,
in their lives it's a part.*

*History repeating again and again,
Diseases affecting communities
living in pain.*

*What's needed right now is true Reconciliation,
Not just the word,
but genuine action.*

My Island Home – Anita (YEAR 12),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



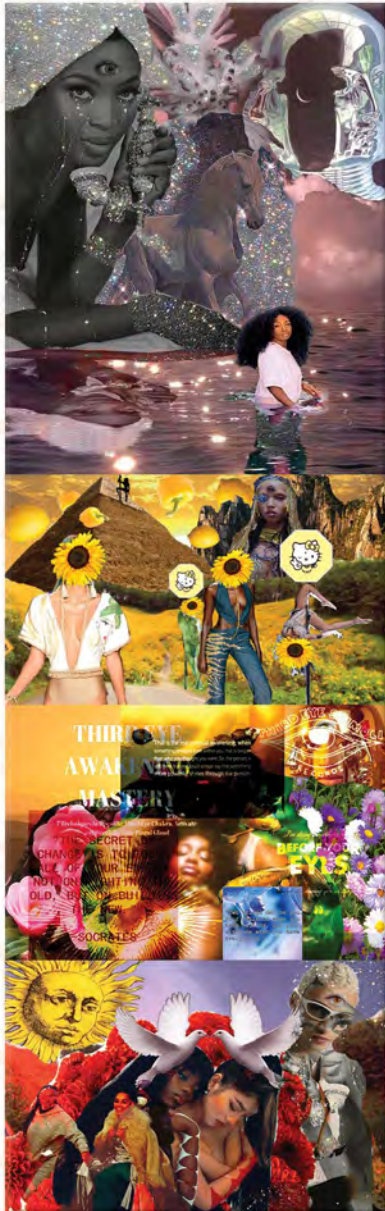
Baker Boy – Tina (YEAR 12),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



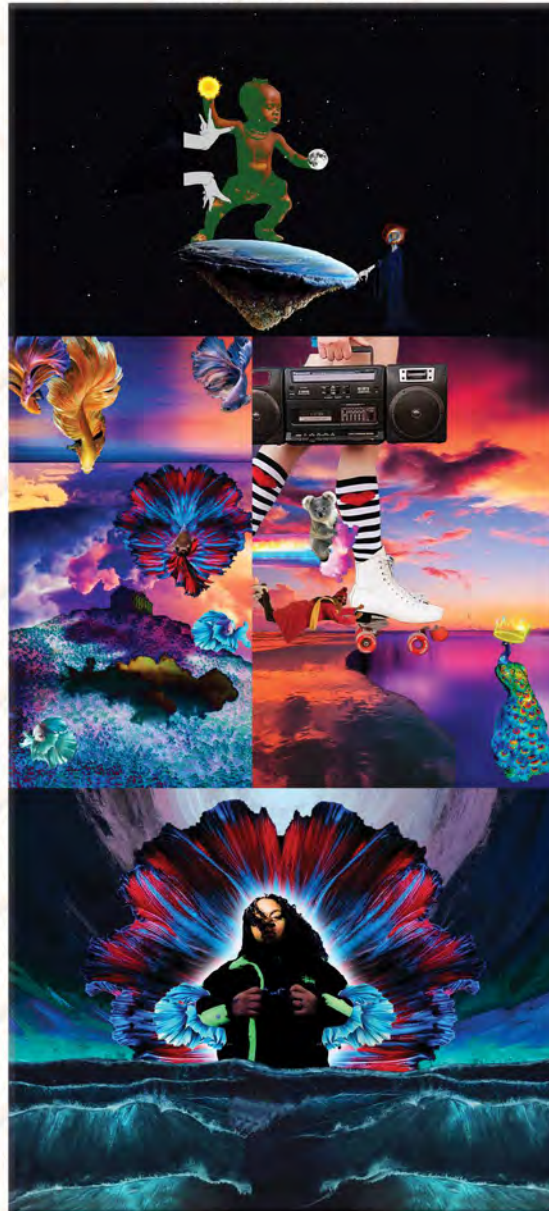
Totem Collide – Joanna (YEAR 12),
TAGAI STATE COLLEGE



Blayse (YEAR 12),
ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE



Andrew (YEAR 12),
ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE



Tahnee & Kaylisha (YEAR 12),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Tufi – Kira-Lee (YEAR 12), RAVENSHOE SS (P-12)



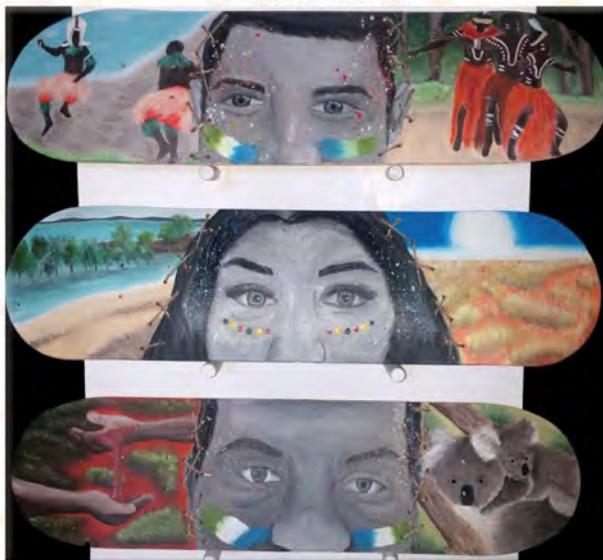
Ayatpia – Jaeve (YEAR 12), GENESIS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE



End Racism – Kynan (YEAR 12),
HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Connect back to country – Alice (YEAR 12), FERNY GROVE
STATE HIGH SCHOOL



The Heart of Reconciliation – Zachery (YEAR 12),
HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Ntelyapelyape – Tanisha (YEAR 12),
MOUNT ST BERNARD COLLEGE



Kangaroo – Jack (YEAR 12),
ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE



Creative Arts Competition Winners



26 | Our Students' Results

QATSIF is extremely proud of our deadly Round 11 Graduates and grateful to our schools for their dedication in helping these young people to achieve their dreams.

These results are even more impressive when you realise that this data was collected in just the first three months following school, when many students are still trying to sort out their futures.

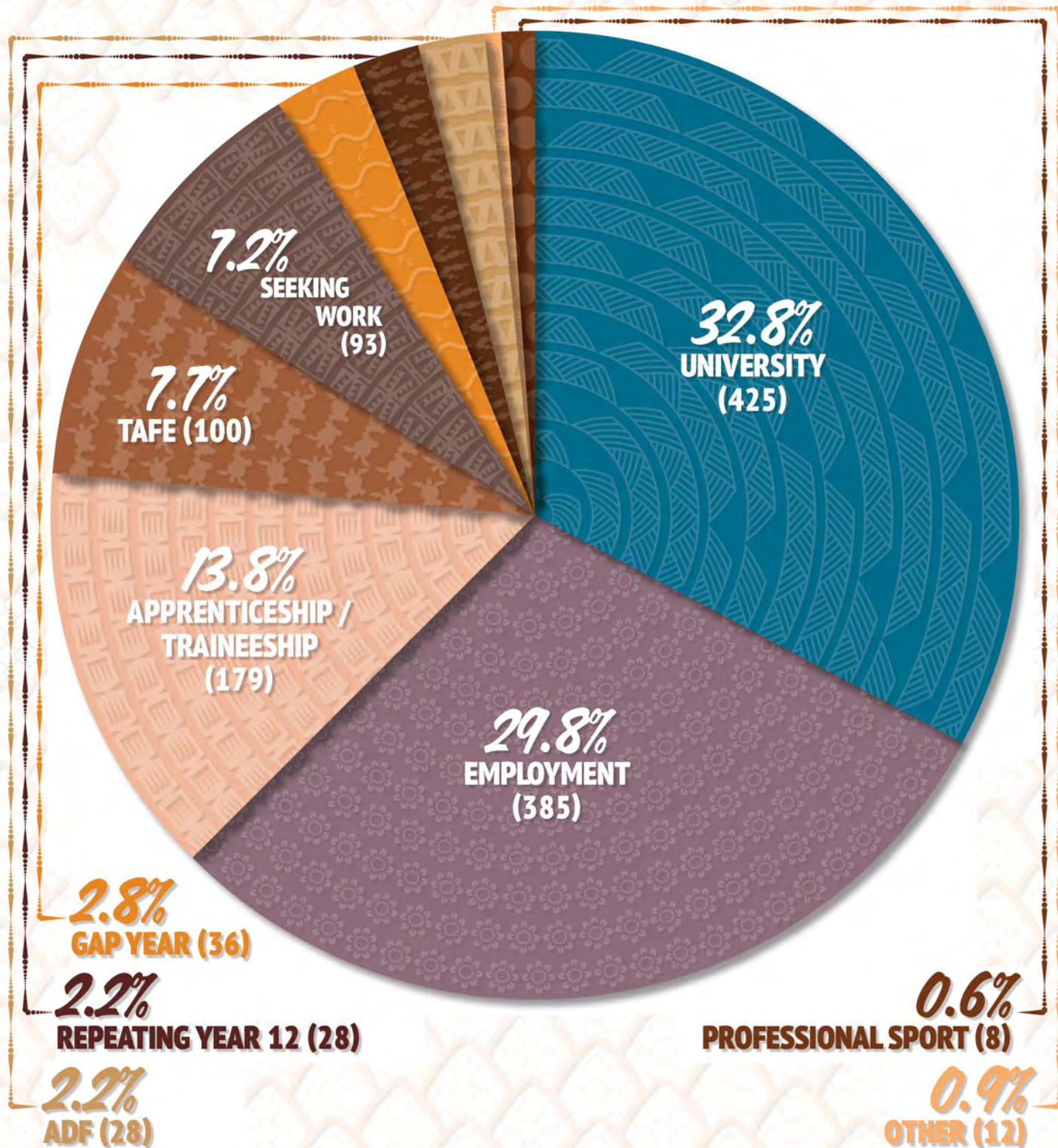
Round 11 Outcomes (as at 31/03/2022)

Outcome	All Queensland students	Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students	Round 11 QATSIF Students (2020 Data)
Completed Year 12	83.1% (Australian students Source 2021 ABS)	64.8% (2020 Dept Ed Report)	98.24% (1288 / 1311)
Gained QCE (Queensland Certificate of Education)	92.7% (Source QCAA 2021)	82.5% (Source QCAA)	96.35% (1241 / 1288)

Post School Destinations for our Round 11 QATSIF Students compared with 2020 Next Steps Data

	All Queensland Students (2020)	Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students (2020)	Round 11 QATSIF Graduates (2021)
Employment, Education or Training	80.5%	61.6%	87.3%
Education and Training	58.0%	34.8%	56.9%
Employment only	22.5%	26.8%	32.6%
Not in Employment, Education or Training	19.5%	38.4%	10.5%

QATSIF Round 11 Student Destination Data
TOTAL STUDENT NUMBERS REPORTED BY SCHOOLS (1294)



Other Destinations

Course at private institution	Medical / Disability issues	Waiting on Uni	Parenting	NT Police
4	3	2	2	1

28 | QATSIF Young Indigenous Leader Award Winners

In 2021, our schools reported that our QATSIF students had taken up the following leadership positions:

21 School Captains
5 School Vice Captains
158 School Leadership positions

QATSIF is very proud of all of our young leaders and especially the 158 QATSIF students below, who have been recognised by their schools with a 2021 QATSIF Young Indigenous Leader Award for their outstanding leadership.



Abbey Green
 Trinity College (Beenleigh)
 Abbie Ray
 Townsville SHS
 Airlia Holman
 Tannum Sands SHS
 Alex Butler
 St Francis College
 Alex Mackinnon
 Kingaroy SHS
 Alexis Ryan
 Mossman SHS
 Alison Holmes
 Redbank Plains SHS
 Amber Magnussen
 Murrumba State Secondary College
 Amelia Hewett
 Clifton SHS
 Amelia Johnson
 Elanora SHS
 Annalisa Corney
 St Margaret Mary's College
 Azaleah Mundraby
 Gordonvale SHS
 Bella Ashford
 Albany Creek SHS
 Bella Hughes
 Lourdes Hill College
 Bella Mahoney
 Runcorn SHS
 Brianna Stanley
 St Patrick's College Townsville

Brianna Suter
 Beenleigh SHS
 Bridget Woodman
 Isis District SHS
 Brooke Tongalea
 Tully SHS
 Carson Prior-Mead
 Oakey SHS
 Catherine Nugent
 Grace Lutheran College (Caboolture)
 Charles Harman
 Toowoomba Grammar School
 Charleston Eastment
 Brigidine College
 Charli Muller
 Blackwater SHS
 Charlotte Hess
 Elanora SHS
 Chenoa Youse
 Brisbane Bayside State College
 Chloe Carr
 Laidley SHS
 Connor Brooks
 Beaudesert SHS
 Conrad Atkins
 Suncoast Christian College
 Darcy Webber
 Good Shepherd Catholic College
 Dekotah Terewaamu
 Innisfail State College
 Dylan Thomas
 Kingston State College



Elias Broome
 Xavier Catholic College
 Elizabeth Groom
 Carmel College
 Ella Fox
 Groves Christian College
 Ellah-Louisa Cassady
 Brigidine College
 Ellie Fazldad
 Northern Beaches SHS
 Elliott McLeod
 St Patrick's College (Mackay)
 Estelle Synnott
 St Mary's College (Ipswich)
 Ethan Fletcher
 Palm Beach-Currumbin SHS
 Ethan Nihot
 Benowa SHS
 Etosha Pearson
 All Souls St Gabriels School
 Freda Walker
 Innisfail State College
 Garry Johnson
 William Ross SHS
 Georgia Bartlett
 St Saviour's College
 Georgia Lindsay
 Dalby SHS
 Gideon Larry
 Mount St Bernard College
 Gwen Grant
 Yeppoon SHS



Hayleigh Waters
Harristown SHS

Hunter Binskin
Carmel College

Imogen Farrawell
Mountain Creek SHS

Isaac Gebadi
Cairns SHS

Isabella French
Centenary SHS

Jackson Midgley
St Edmund's College

Jada Gilbert
Wavell SHS

Jade King
Spinifex State College - Mt Isa

Jaime Stanley
Sunshine Beach SHS

Jake Bin Doraho
St Brendan's College

Jamal Shibasaki
Ignatius Park College

Jamila Rebel
Chanel College

Jamus Ruben
St Peter Claver College

Jarrold Cumner
Springfield Central SHS

Jasmine Armstrong
Mt St Michael's College

Jasper Malthouse
Bracken Ridge SHS

Javana Turpin
Suncoast Christian College

Jay Warcon
Heights College

Jessie Zammit
Shalom College

Jonas Gumbleton
Tully SHS

Jorjah West
Seton College

Josiah Corowa
Corinda SHS

Junior Sims
Marsden SHS

Kaedyn Lammon
Redlynch State College

Jye Duncan-Cope
Ambrose Treacy College

Kai Mitchell
Tannum Sands SHS

Kaleb Abel
Beaudesert SHS

Kasey Hudson
Cloncurry State School P-12

Kate Rockliff
Suncoast Christian College

Kayah Farrawell
Craigslea SHS

Kaylee Haspels
St Mary's College (Ipswich)

Kaysan Miles
The SCOTS PGC College (Warwick)

Keeley Foster
Chancellor State College

Keely Clemments
Ingham SHS

Kelise Beetson
Bribie Island SHS

Kerra Finn
Mabel Park SHS

Kiali Wapau
Peace Lutheran College

Ki-Shaun Fejo
Innisfail State College

Ky Rashleigh
Marist College Ashgrove

Kyle Hodges
Australian Trade College North
Brisbane

Kynan Lamb
Harristown SHS

Lainey Wilson
Mirani SHS

Laura Russell
Charleville SHS

Lawson Proctor
Xavier Catholic College

Leah Offord
Moranbah SHS

Lennik Yougie
Peace Lutheran College

Liam Taylor
Loganlea SHS

Lily Searston
Moreton Bay College

Linda Illin
Bowen SHS

Louise Stocks
Mackay SHS

Luke Handley
Proserpine SHS

Lydia Lawton
Kingaroy SHS

Lystra Miller
Gordonvale SHS

Maddisen Gibbons
Victoria Point SHS

Malikye Logan
Kirwan SHS

Matika Frid
Tannum Sands SHS

Miah Hickman
Toowoomba Anglican School

Miah Williams
Benowa SHS

Myrisha Bartman
Palm Beach-Curumbin SHS

Natarsha McBrown
Mackay Northern Beaches SHS

Nickeisha Smith
Hymba Yumba Independent School

Nickolas Clark
Bentley Park College

Noah Buckman
Caloundra SHS

Nolear Walker
Innisfail State College

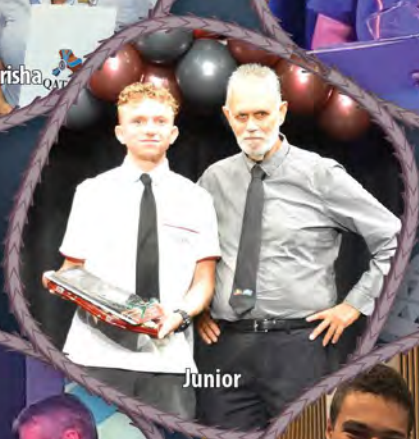
Olivia Breeze
Marymount College



Owen Lammonde
Bundaberg SHS
Rhys Duxbury
Runcorn SHS
Robert Orford
Northside Christian College
Rose Fisher
Murgon SHS
Rowan Brodrick
Sunshine Coast Grammar School
Sade Tulloch
Balmoral SHS
Samara Wescombe
Smithfield SHS
Seanna Jones
St Mary's College (Maryborough)
Shakiera Parsons
Bundamba State Secondary College
Sharni Mellare
Alexandra Hills SHS
Shayel Fiedler
Harristown SHS
Sophia Cassidy-Smallwood
Gilroy Santa Maria College

Storm Berrier
Narangba Valley SHS
Sylvia Malayta
Cavendish Road SHS
Tallis Trask
Cleveland District SHS
Tamika Anno
Earnshaw State College
Taylah Duffin-Wenban
Earnshaw State College
Taylah Quakawoot
Townsville SHS
Taylor Malone
Blackwater SHS
Tekisha Rotumah
Ipswich Girls' Grammar School
Thomas Chaseling
Kedron SHS
Thomas Saylor
Rosedale SHS
Tracelyn Warusam
Rockhampton Girls Grammar School

Violet Bishop
St Mary's College (Ipswich)
Violet Lange
Gin Gin SHS
Zachary Brady
Harristown SHS
Zion Prior
Bowen SHS
Zoe Hewett
Clifton SHS
Zoe Paton
Earnshaw State College





Nickolas



Darcy



Seanna



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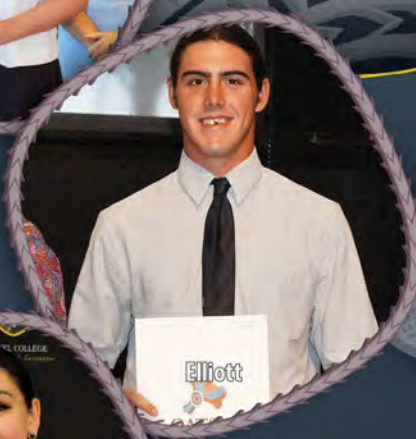
Bella



Ky



Jamus



Elliott



Charli & Taylor



Jamila

32 | Letters to Aunty Ruth and our QATSIF Board

In 2021, we again invited our QATSIF graduates and schools to write a letter of thanks to Aunty Ruth and the QATSIF Board for the support provided by our QATSIF Scholarships.

We always remember that our QATSIF scholarships would not be possible without the sacrifices of our Elders and Ancestors who suffered the grave injustice of having their wages stolen. While it is easier for students to write to a particular person (eg, our Patron - Aunty Ruth), we acknowledge and recognise that the thanks is for all of those affected by Stolen Wages.

These are some selected quotes from the letters.

As a recipient of the Round 12 Scholarships, I wanted to say a very sincere thank you for this opportunity.

I am a student at St Rita's College, and I am already enrolled at the Mater Hospital studying a Certificate III in Health Assistance. The scholarship will really help me realise my dream to become a Registered Nurse. Thank you again for this amazing opportunity!

- Chloe Grant, St Rita's College (Clayfield)

As someone who understands why Indigenous people deserve this money I am very grateful for it. Thank you very much.

- Sam Jeffcoat, Proserpine State High School

I would like to take this time to thank you and all other Elders who have sacrificed and enabled others like myself to be where we are today. It is a privilege to accept the QATSIF scholarship as I know it would not be possible without the Stolen Wages and other hardship Indigenous Peoples have suffered.

- Loren Wood, St Rita's College (Clayfield)

I am writing to you today to express my appreciation and gratitude for this scholarship, it has been extremely beneficial as an Indigenous student to my studies at San Sisto College. This has helped me conclude my schooling years and complete my QCE as well as influencing my future career path as a police officer. Once again, thank you for your support and everything you have done for me and many other Indigenous students around the state.

- Caitlin Storck, San Sisto College

Thank you for allowing me a chance at this program, as this has helped me in considering what my and other's futures might potentially look like. With this scholarship, I hope to inspire others into the program so that they might have some guidance into the right direction. For this, thank you!

- La'Shauna Nathaniel, St Patrick's College (Townsville)

I would like to say thank you to QATSIF for providing me with the QATSIF Scholarship. This money has helped my family out to pay for things to help me finish Year 12.

Thanks QATSIF.

- Dom Zaro, Bowen State High School

Galangoor Djali. I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your support during my senior schooling years at St Mary's College. Being awarded a QATSIF Scholarship has provided me with opportunities to successfully complete a Certificate II in Engineering Pathways, Certificate III in Sport and Recreation and a school-based apprenticeship to achieve a Certificate III in Engineering - Mechanical Trade. I successfully passed my subjects at St Mary's College and received my Queensland Certificate of Education.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the Elders and Ancestors whose Stolen Wages made QATSIF Scholarships possible. As a proud recipient of the QATSIF Scholarship I will be forever grateful for the opportunities this funding has provided.

- Seanna Jones, St Mary's College, Maryborough

I wish to thank you as the patron of QATSIF. My family and I are so grateful for this opportunity to thank you for always encouraging everyone to “dream big”.

My aspiration is to be a qualified plumber. I have completed a certificate in warehouse operations which will enable me to look for a brighter future. I want to thank you for sharing your life and stories with us is much appreciated.

– Elly-May Girard, Beaudesert State High School

On behalf of my Mother and my family, I would like to show my appreciation and thanks for the support that you have provided myself and other students. With this support I have been able to continue and complete my high school studies.

The QATSIF Scholarship has allowed me to study the subjects of my choice without the stress of finances and has also allowed my Mum to be able to purchase the new senior uniform and subject materials needed. Along with the mentoring, this has made my senior years enjoyable.

– Alex Briggs, Kawana Waters State College

Thank you for giving me the privilege of being one of the QATSIF scholarship recipients for 2021. I am deeply grateful for the ongoing financial support you have given to not only myself but to Mob all over the state. I acknowledge the many sacrifices of the Elders and Ancestors whose Stolen Wages made our QATSIF scholarships possible. This scholarship has been a tremendous help to both my parents and I and has encouraged me to continue to work hard on my academic studies. I wish you all the best and may God bless you!

– Bethany Savage, St Patrick’s College (Townsville)

On behalf of the Indigenous Girls here at Ipswich Girls’ Grammar School who have received a scholarship, we would like to say thank you for motivating and giving us the opportunity to further our education. We are very much grateful and blessed. We acknowledge our Elders who had made sacrifices for our generation to go far and make something of ourselves and our Ancestors whose Stolen Wages made our QATSIF scholarships possible. We thank QATSIF for supporting us in our senior years and opening pathways for all Indigenous students and generations after us.

– IGGS QATSIF Students

Thank you so much for approving me to be part of this scholarship. It has truly helped my parents financially, to get through 2021 without having to stress. Some things that the scholarship allowed me to purchase were stationery, school formal uniform, paying school fees and a graduation ticket.

Hopefully my positive role modelling to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students will make them want to better themselves and be a part of the QATSIF Scholarship. Once again, I would like to thank you for helping me graduate without any hassle.

– Haley Lammon, Bowen State High School

On behalf of Rochedale State High school, the proud QATSIF graduating students of 2021 would like thank Aunty Ruth and the QATSIF Scholarship Board for their generosity and commitment to supporting Indigenous students achieve their personal best.

We acknowledge the sacrifices of our Elders and the injustice of the Stolen Wages. We wish to extend our thanks for the benefits we are now receiving. The scholarship not only helps our families financially but being a part of QATSIF unites all Indigenous scholarship students, to come together to celebrate our culture, past, present and future.

The 2021 Rochedale QATSIF recipients have utilised the funds on school fees, vocational qualifications, equipment, uniforms and stationery to name a few. We will be forever grateful for the opportunities that have been given to us.

– Jade Maher, Rochedale State High School

I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for all the support. I would not still be at school if it wasn't for QATSIF so thank you.

– Beau Sales, Proserpine State High School

Wadda Mooli, This is a letter of appreciation to the QATSIF Board and Aunty Ruth on behalf of the Northern Beaches State High School QATSIF students.

Through the entirety of grade 11 and 12 our scholarships have been incredibly useful and we are so grateful for them. Without this scholarship many of us would have had to miss out on a lot of opportunities that make the last couple of our schooling years worth it.

My scholarship has helped me to set goals such as ensuring I maintain an attendance that is above 90%, achieve grades well above the average and the ability to go to my grade 12 formal. At Northern Beaches it is mandatory to have all school fees paid to be eligible to attend formal. Again, without my scholarship I would not be able to attend my year 12 formal.

I am very grateful and have tremendous respect for our past Elders and Traditional Land Owners for the sacrifices they were made to take in order for our people to be where we are today. The history behind these funds is simply inhumane and absolutely disgusting.

I believe I speak for all of our people when I say that we are beyond lucky to be able to now access those funds and put them to the best use we can. Ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students can make the most out of their education means a lot to me and without the help of QATSIF many students, including myself would not have the opportunities and experiences most children take for granted. Thank you for all of the support!

Ellie Fazldad, Northern Beaches State High School

I truly appreciated being awarded this scholarship as it has aided me in completing my last year of high school, with the financial assistance to pay for school fees and the support from our schools support team.

QATSIF has opened my eyes to the importance of our culture and has solidified that it isn't where you came from but where you're going. Thank you very much for this opportunity.

- Mackay Northern Beach Student

I would like to thank you for your wonderful contribution to the QATSIF program which has helped me so much. QATSIF's program has helped me significantly with my learning and I couldn't be more grateful to the Elders who created and made this program possible. It has helped me afford uniforms and essential school supplies to make my learning easier.

- Morgan Shillington, Australian Christian College - Moreton

I am writing this letter to thank you for supporting me through my high school endeavours by way of my QATSIF Scholarship. I am extremely appreciative to receive this scholarship and I would like the opportunity to express my gratitude.

I am currently approaching the end of my secondary school studies and I am beginning to think about the career path I would like to embark on. As a child I was involved in a variety of sports and enjoyed staying active as best I could. My love for sport has led to me becoming an accredited gymnastics coach and judge. This has influenced a possible career in the sports industry, as a Sport and Exercise Physiologist or Sports Psychologist.

However, I am still unsure as to if this will be my final decision.

The money I have received from this scholarship has always been put towards my schooling fees, and to allow me to better extend my academic education without financial pressures. It has also provided me with opportunities and encouraged me to continue exploring my cultural identity. I understand the hardship our people suffered and acknowledge the sacrifices of the Elders and Ancestors; whose Stolen Wages made this scholarship possible.

Once again, I would like to express my utmost gratitude, your generosity is greatly appreciated, and I am very thankful to be a recipient of your scholarship.

- Brianna Stanley, St Patrick's College (Townsville)

I would like to thank you for the opportunity given to me by the QATSIF Scholarship. It has helped my family in that it has helped me to purchase school shoes and pay for school fees. This has helped to take the financial burden away from my family.

I understand and respect that this money comes from our Elders who had their wages stolen. I will make sure that in future I will promote to other students to apply for this scholarship at it is a great opportunity.

- Cygnet Tamwoy, Bowen State High School

The first time I wrote to you and your team looking after the QATSIF scholarships I was a Year 10 student who had just arrived at my new school, Mt. Alvernia College in Kedron after living for many years in Toowoomba.

It was hard to change schools and cities midway through the year and there were times when I thought that finishing year 12 with a new community was too hard. But I knew I had to keep trying...both of my Nanna's didn't get the opportunity to complete their education due to their Indigenous heritages and they had made so many sacrifices to support their kids (including my parents) and us grandkids with our schooling. It was important that I just kept trying.

I'm also a big sister and aunty, so I had to make a good impression on my sister and nephews.

I was proud when my teachers at Mt. Alvernia encouraged me to apply for a QATSIF scholarship. I was sad and angry to learn that my Elders were treated so unjustly by successive government policies and not remunerated fairly for their hard work. I was also shocked to learn that so many in my school community and wider circle of friends don't know about this stage of our nation's history.

I applied for a scholarship and was successful. My Nannas especially were so proud of me.

For the past two years I have worked hard at school and received passing grades for all subjects. I have also managed to complete a Certificate II in Health Support Services and a Cert III in Allied Health Assistance with the Mater Hospital. I am currently completing a Cert III Child Care worker qualification as a Traineeship and will be finished mid this year. Also, the manager of the childcare centre where I am training offered me a job for this year. That was great news as I love working with the little kids and a couple of them started calling me Aunty so now they all do! Even those migloo kids haha!

I have so many options for my future and I wanted you and the QATSIF team to know that my scholarship has really supported me with school and boosted my self-esteem. I also know that you and the team would have spent many many hours working on the scholarships and giving up your own time, so thank you.

I'll be finishing high school as a confident Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander woman and emerging leader and will continue to spread awareness of the QATSIF program in community for those who follow. Thank you Aunty Ruth and QATSIF Team for believing in me.

- Georgia Dreise, Mount Alvernia College (Kedron)

I cannot thank you enough for the opportunity you have given me through my 2 years of senior schooling. Without your most generous support I would have never been able to afford the equipment I have needed. A part of my heart goes out to you, for the sacrifices of our Elders and Ancestors whose Stolen Wages made our QATSIF scholarships possible.

- Laura Russell, Charleville State High School

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the opportunities the QATSIF Scholarship has provided me. The scholarship has given me the privilege of completing my final years of schooling at St Mary's College and broadening my education whilst guiding me towards careers once I graduate. Without the scholarship I would not be the same independent and strong woman I am today. This has given me the opportunity to explore different subjects and find my strengths within subjects while helping me financially towards my health certificate and gaining me entry into university.

This scholarship has provided me the opportunity to complete Year 11 and 12. Without this privilege I would never have considered going to university and further study after high school to complete study in nursing to help people who struggle.

- Keely Morrison, St Mary's College (Ipswich)

Hi, my name is Olive-Rose Pearson and I'm a proud Torres Strait Islander woman and am grateful for the opportunity of the QATSIF Scholarship. I was very happy when I got the Scholarship because it gave me more motivation to strive better in my daily life, especially school. The scholarship even gave me the opportunity to even strive as a leader. When it comes to stepping up into the world of leadership, this very scholarship motivated me to step up and be a leader in school, to my family and in the community. I would like to say thank you, for giving me the opportunity to strive better, not just with school, but with myself as a person.

- Olive-Rose, St Patrick's College (Townsville)

As a graduating senior student of Charleville State High School in 2021, I have had to overcome many obstacles in achieving my goals each year. Goals have changed and achievements have been made but the achievement that I was most proud of was being chosen to receive the QATSIF scholarship. In applying for this scholarship, I really had no idea how much help it would give me in working towards my goals both before and after graduation. In receiving the scholarship, I have worked with my mentor and started a Certificate III in Business studies and have just applied for a Certificate II in Veterinary studies through TAFE.

My main aspiration in life is to become a qualified Veterinarian with my own vet business whether that be a clinic in a remote town or travelling around from station to station to see the country whilst still servicing the rural stations through my passion for helping animals. From a young age I've known exactly what I want to do, I want to be a Vet and service the rural communities of Australia and this scholarship has made that dream come so much closer.

This scholarship has given me the opportunity to step out of my comfort zone and experience new adventures that have brought me several steps closer to my dream career. I would like to thank you so much for all the work you've put in to support senior students with this scholarship. I appreciate it so much and will forever be grateful for the opportunity you have given me and many other students to better our education I hope to be accepted into either University or TAFE Queensland in 2022 and in the coming years to achieve my goal, a big thank you to this scholarship for making that happen.

- Nikita Chadderton, Charleville State High School

My name is Luke Handley, I am the Indigenous Leader and School Vice-Captain for Proserpine State High School. On behalf of my fellow Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at PSHS, I would like to say thank you for the amazing support that you have given us. It has helped in so many ways to push us forward in our education. The QATSIF scholarship has helped us to achieve the goals that we have been working towards. Some of us, will be the first person in our family to graduate from high school, this will enable us to pursue future careers in many fields that we thought were not possible. Without this scholarship, this may never have happened. Although I have never met you, I have seen many online videos with regards to what you do for schools around Queensland.

I am deeply thankful for what you have done for me and I am extremely happy to see the number of candidates increasing every year. This would never have been possible without your help, so thank you again for everything Aunty Ruth.

- Luke Handley, Proserpine State High School

I would like thank you for granting me the QATSIF Scholarship. This money helped to buy the things that I needed to finish senior schooling, such as uniforms, school shoes, socks and a graduation ticket. I am grateful for this money as I know it came from our Elders before us and their hard work.

I will be sure to let younger Indigenous students know about the QATSIF Scholarship encourage them to apply.

Au Eso Au, Koeyma Eso
(Thank you)

- Harry Pitt-Pilot, Bowen State High School

I would like to begin by acknowledging the sacrifices of the Elders and Ancestors that have made the QATSIF scholarship possible. Not only have their Stolen Wages forged new opportunities for the emerging generation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people, but their sacrifices have made a difference to the quality of education and development of individual strengths and talents within the young Indigenous community.

I would like to specifically thank Aunty Ruth and the QATSIF Board, as my scholarship has made it possible for me to participate in the 'TAFE at School' program and I am undertaking a Certificate III in Acting at TAFE Southbank. This certificate has assisted me in preparing for university applications and auditions for 2022, while perusing my passion for acting and performing, and it would not be possible without the QATSIF Scholarship program. The certificate has allowed me to broaden my performance skills, while also focusing on my education and attaining my ATAR and QCE.

I hope the QATSIF program continues for many years to come and continues to help make a difference in other young Indigenous people's lives. It encourages them to continue their education and have cultural pride in their Indigenous identity.

- Madeline Ramsay, St Rita's College (Clayfield)

Thank you Aunty Ruth for the QATSIF scholarship and support. It has helped my education in so many ways ☺

– Justyce Costello, Proserpine State High School

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your scholarship. This money helped take the stress from my family in purchasing my uniforms and a graduation ticket.

– Kyisha Sturt, Bowen State High School

Thank you for giving me this opportunity and support the QATSIF scholarship gave me.

– Macaully Wake, Proserpine State High School

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank you and the QATSIF Board for the scholarship which opened many pathways for me while helping me in my schooling journey. The QATSIF Scholarship really helped me during my final senior years in so many ways as well as my family.

Coming from a large family it was able to relieve stress with my parents knowing that I had everything I needed for school. The scholarship also helped me stay on track with my studies, gave me motivation and helped me decide on a career path. The scholarship encouraged me to work hard for my goals in the future and showed me that I can achieve things if I really put my mind to it.

Once again thank you for all your hard work and support during my schooling journey and providing this opportunity for not only me but also many young Indigenous students to achieve their goals in school and after school. I am very grateful for the opportunities that I have been given through the scholarship and all your hard work. I would like to acknowledge the sacrifices of the Elders and Ancestors whose Stolen Wages made it possible for our scholarships to be provided to us.

– Olivia Wilson, St Mary's College (Ipswich)



38 | Queensland's Highest Achieving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student

Congratulations to the deadly Jasmine Armstrong (2021 QATSIF student from Mt St Michael's College, Ashgrove) who was awarded the 2021 Highest Achievement by an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student in Queensland and a Distinguished Academic Achievers award at the QCAA awards.

She was also awarded a 2021 QATSIF Young Indigenous Leader Award, was named as dux of her school and was accepted into Medicine at UQ.

QATSIF students have won this prestigious award for five out of the past seven years.

- ★ **Aidan Train (2015)** – Spinifex State College (Mount Isa); currently working as an Engineer.
- ★ **Kyle Ryan (2016)** – Glenala State High School (Inala); studying Medicine at UQ and 2021's 7 News Young Achiever Queensland Award Winner.
- ★ **Lucinda Colbert (2017)** – Forest Lake State High School; studying Medicine at University of Sydney.
- ★ **Rani Carmichael (2020)** – Brisbane State High School; studying Veterinary Science at UQ.



QATSIF congratulates Jasmine, her family and the Mt St Michael's College community on her outstanding achievement.

Peter Doherty Outstanding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander STEM Student Awards



Did you know that QATSIF students have been awarded 22 of the 24 Peter Doherty Outstanding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Senior STEM Student Awards? STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

2021: Keely Clemments (Ingham State High School), Ryan Porter, (Flagstone State Community College), Cooper Smith (Rosedale SS), Nicholas Ward-Grodd (Pioneer State High School) (pictured)

2020: Katie Butterfield (Glenala State High School), Rani Carmichael (Brisbane State High School), Lilly Halloran (Pimpama State Secondary College) Jordan McGrath (Coombah State High School)

2019: Ethan Briggs (Beaudesert State High School), Annaleise Krause (Wilsonton State High School), Holly Summers (Pacific Pines State High School)

2018: Braith Gausden (Palm Beach-Currumbin State High School), Ebony Pearson (Pimlico State High School), Keely Perry (Longreach State High School)

2017: Wayne Cawthorne (Townsville State High School), Lucinda Colbert (Forest Lake State High School), Jordan Hall (Springfield Central State High)

2016: Alexandra Bainbridge-Brook (Immanuel Lutheran College), Sahamar Ruben (St Peter Claver College), Aleisha Thomas (Isis District State High School)

2015: Miranda Mahoney (Lourdes Hill College)

QATSIF congratulates all of the winners of this prestigious award.

39 | 7 News Young Achiever Award

Each year, the 7 News Young Achiever awards recognises outstanding young leaders with awards including the Kennelly Constructions Pty Ltd Aboriginal Achievement Award.

In 2021, QATSIF is very proud that Kyle Ryan, a deadly QATSIF Ambassador, medical student and community leader won both the Kennelly Constructions Pty Ltd Aboriginal Achievement Award and the Queensland Young Achiever of the Year award. He is the second past QATSIF student to win both of these prestigious awards.

Some of the many achievements of our past QATSIF students who have won the Kennelly Constructions Pty Ltd Aboriginal Achievement award include:

- **2021 and Queensland Young Achiever of the Year: Kyle Ryan (Glenala State High School)**
Indigenous community work including: QATSIF Ambassador visiting Western Queensland schools; Inala Wangarra Board Member; InspireU camps; and Queensland Australian Indigenous Health Council's Indigenous Youth Health Committee.
- **2019: Zane Ratcliff (Burnett State College)**
Indigenous mentor; teaching Indigenous dance, sport and acting; School Captain; Commonwealth Games dancer; and Young Citizen of the Year award.
- **2018: Claudia Moodoonuthi (Clayfield College)**
Painter renowned for her bold imagery and vibrant colours; honours her heritage and culture through her art; completed a Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art; many art prizes and exhibitions; Brisbane Festival artist.
- **2016 and Queensland Young Achiever of the Year: Justice King (Spinifex State College - Mount Isa)**
Founder of "The Youth League", a group of 12-18 year olds who voluntarily run youth events specifically to deter crime and provide young role models in their community; passionate youth mental health advocate and is actively involved with Headspace and RUOK? Day; appointed Youth Mayor of the Mount Isa Youth Council; and awarded the 2015 Young Citizen of the Year.



40 | Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) School Based Scholarships

In 2020 in partnership with QATSIF, the Queensland Ambulance Service began their school-based scholarships.

Each year, new Year 10 QATSIF applicants are invited to apply for a QAS Scholarship. QAS cover the costs of these students' QATSIF scholarships, provides additional assistance with gaining a driver's licence and a First Aid certificate and organises opportunities for students to meet with and learn from First Nations paramedics and other QAS staff.

QATSIF thanks the deadly QAS team, especially Trish Murray and Angela Perry for their support and we congratulate our 2021 QAS graduates and new recipients.

2021 QAS SCHOLARSHIP GRADUATES

Charli Muller, Blackwater State High School

Kayden Fogarty, All Souls St Gabriels School

Chelsea Sanders, Everton Park State High School

Kymerly Burns, Highfields State Secondary College

Giaan Eggmolesse, Toolooa State High School

Monique Bloomfield, Fairholme College

Imogen Stacey, Tannum Sands State High School

2021 NEW QAS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Brendyn Mann, Townsville State High School

Keara Woods, Noosa District State High School

Ellsy Rudd, St George State High School

Riley Wilson, Charleville State High School

Imogen Farrawell, Mountain Creek State High School

Ruby Thompson, Helensvale State High School

Imogen Harvey, Mountain Creek State High School

Ty Martens, Sandgate District State High School

Kaylah Frazer, Emmaus College (Rockhampton)

Wyatt Hughes, Kelvin Grove State College





42 | Transurban Paiabun Karumba STEM Scholarships

Our Transurban Paiabun Karumba STEM Scholarships began in 2020. *Paiabun Karumba* means “Dream Big” in Yuggera language and echoes our Patron Aunty Ruth’s challenge to our students.

Each year, new Year 10 QATSIF applicants are invited to apply for a Transurban Scholarship. Transurban contributes to the costs of these students’ QATSIF scholarships, provides additional assistance with purchasing an IT device or equipment and organises work experience and other opportunities for students to meet with and learn from Transurban’s engineers and other First Nations staff.

QATSIF thanks the deadly Transurban team, especially Annelise Konstantinou, Maddi Cooper, Mike Buxton and Nathan Maher for their support and we congratulate our 2021 Transurban Scholarship graduates and new recipients.

2021 QAS SCHOLARSHIP GRADUATES

Deacon Ward, Centenary State High School

Harrison Wockner, St Laurence's College

Madisson Muriata, Earnshaw State College

Alec Rogers, St Laurence's College

Tamika Anno, Earnshaw State College

Jamus Ruben, St Peter Claver College

Tyson Croft, Kedron State High School

Edward Pitt, Wavell State High School

Jessica Sturgess, Morayfield State High School

Joseph Nakachi, Woodridge State High School

Benjamin Lee, Shailer Park State High School

2021 NEW QAS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Kyle Watson, Victoria Point State High School

Josephine Dixon, Aspley State High School

Maddy Skirzyk, Victoria Point State High School

Kodi Windsor, Aspley State High School

Britney King, Beenleigh State High School

James Bryant, Redlands College

Maddisen Gibbons, Victoria Point State High School

Braelyn Rolfe-Chase, Aspley State High School

Myklette Doctor, Dakabin State High School







45 | *See I.T. Be I.T. Initiative*

There is a huge digital divide between students who can afford technology and those that can't. QATSIF, ACS (Australian Computer Society), P&Cs Qld, Substation33 and LiteHaus International are working together to try to help to close this gap.

The *See I.T. Be I.T.* initiative aims to get refurbished laptop and desktop computers into the hands of some of Queensland's most economically disadvantaged students and families.

We want disadvantaged students to *See I.T.* (ie. have access to it) and *Be I.T.* (ie. develop the skills needed to use technology in their future careers).

We have begun approaching schools and businesses who are replacing their current devices and asking them to donate them to help students who otherwise couldn't afford a device. Our friends at Substation33 and LiteHaus International will refurbish these devices and then we will provide them for schools to give to struggling families.

In 2021, we had **374 devices** (worth around \$112,000) donated by schools and businesses to support young people.

As part of the project, Substation33 is also providing real life I.T. training to help to get more young people into I.T. careers. ACS have been working hard to connect these young people with businesses that need their skills.

Schools and businesses who are interested in donating devices to our *See I.T. Be I.T.* Initiative can contact our QATSIF office or one of our partner organisations.



The Substation33 team receiving donated laptops.
Right: Tony Sharp (Substation33 Founder).



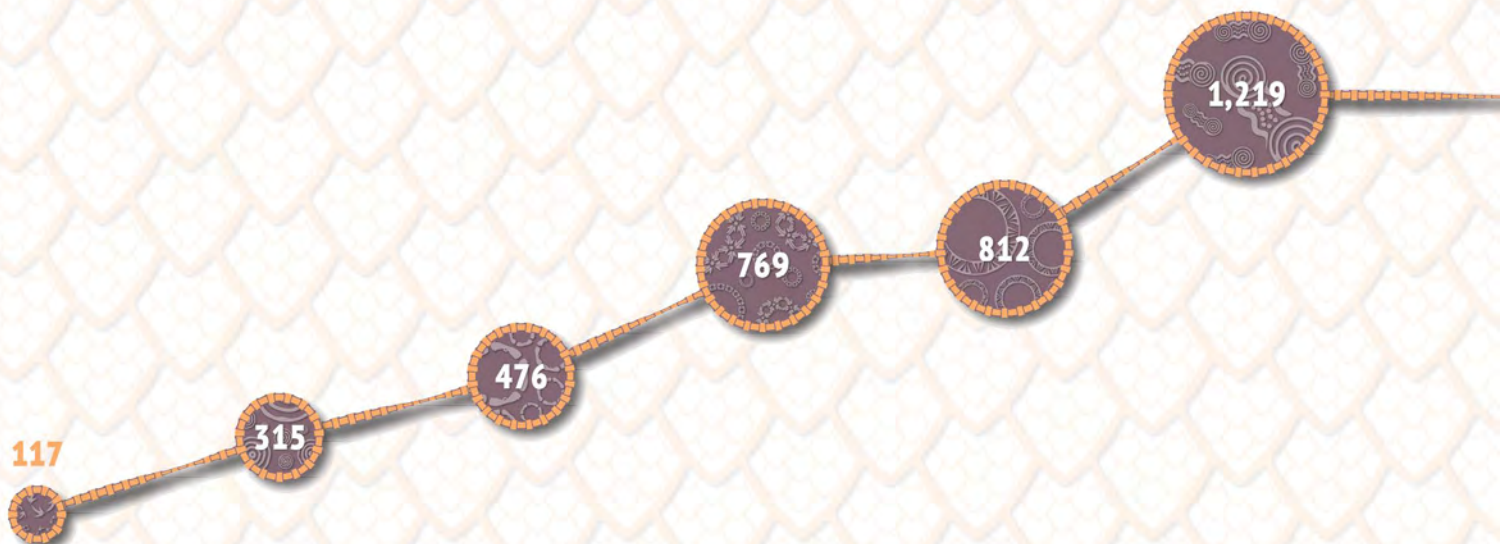
GroundProbe donating laptops.



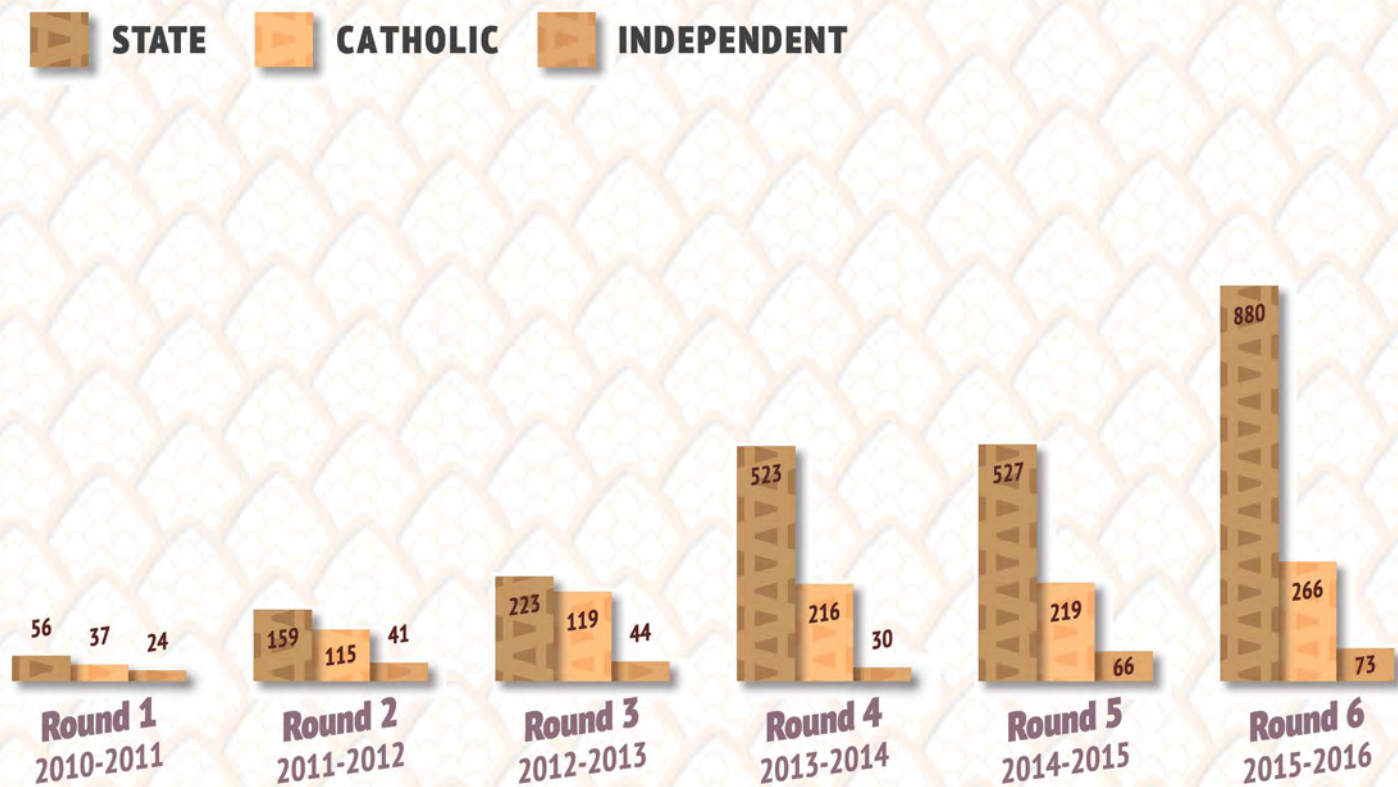
School Leaders receiving laptops.

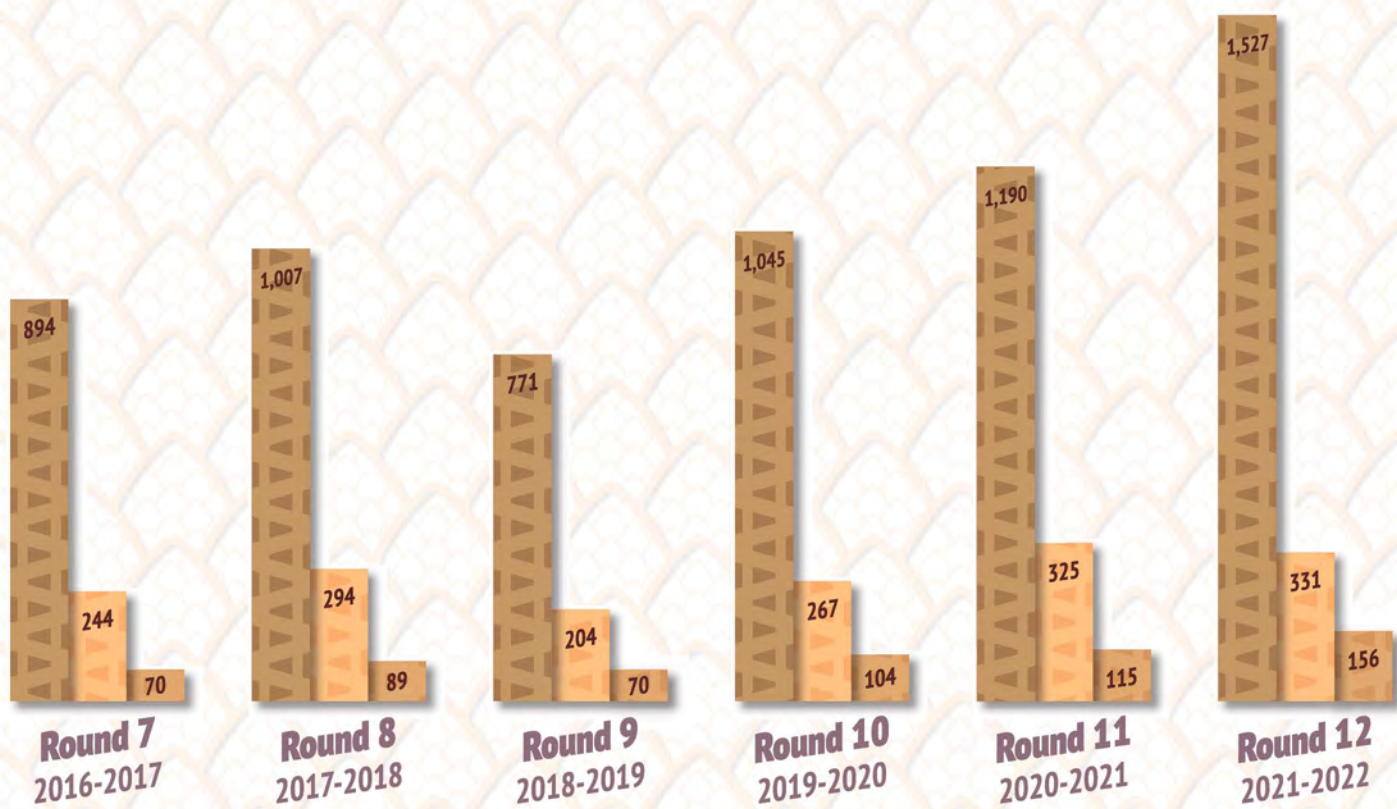
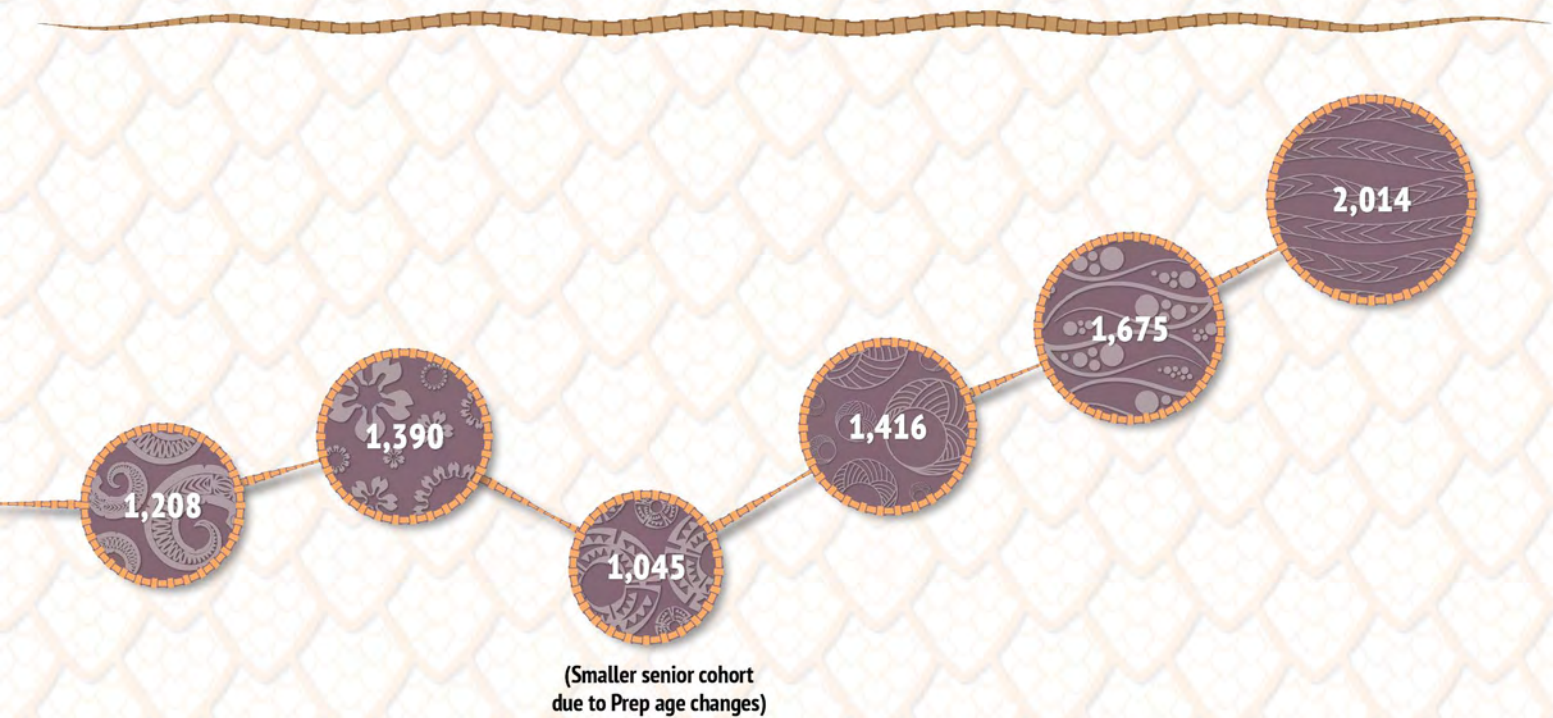
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QATSIF Scholarships Awarded Over Time

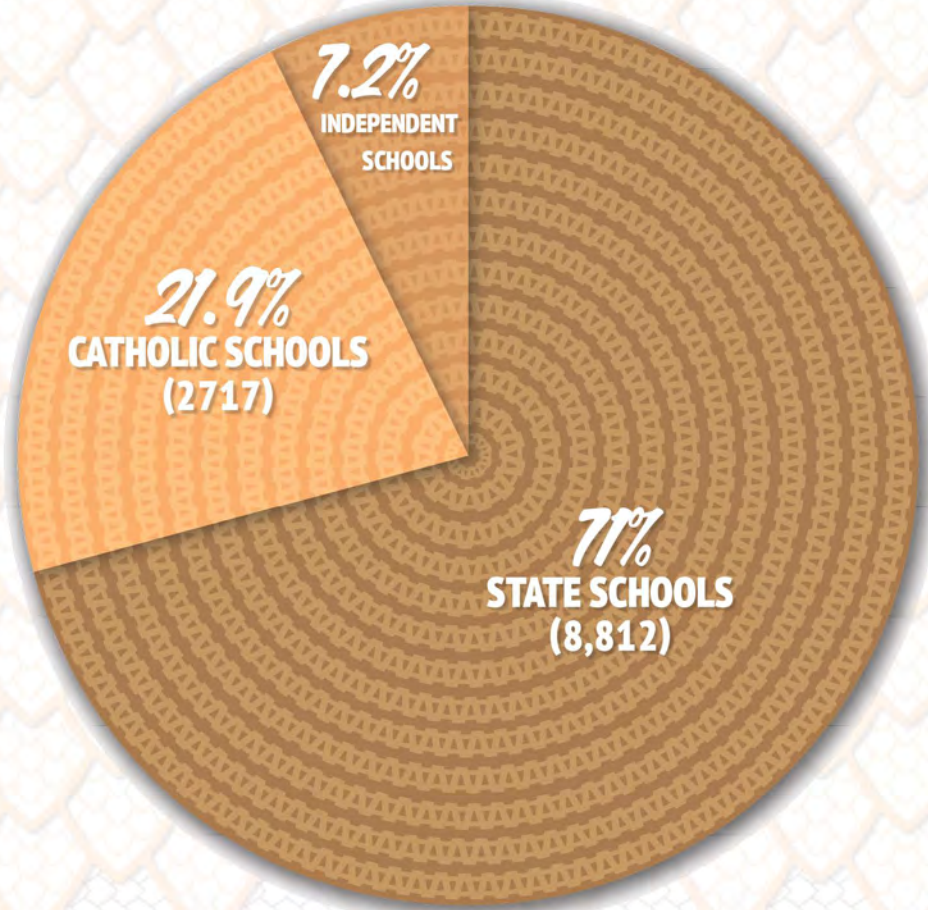


QATSIF Students by Sector Over Time Rounds 1-12

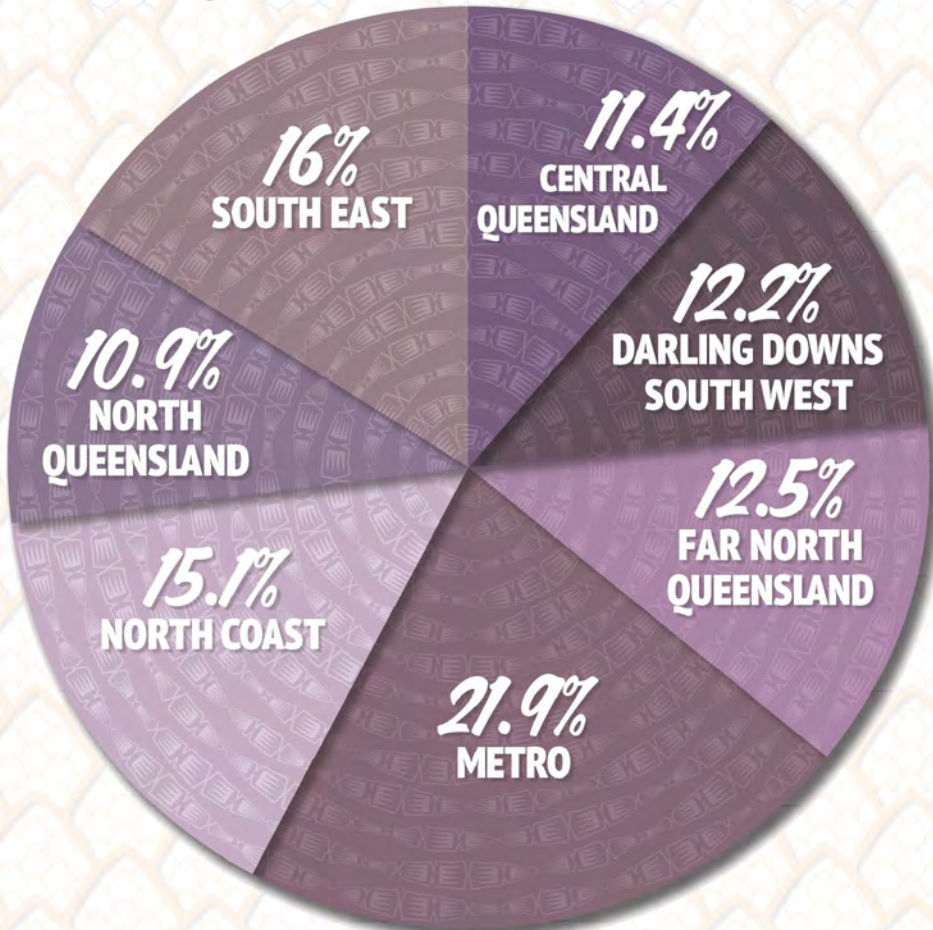




QATSIF Students by Sector Rounds 1-12



QATSIF Students by Region Rounds 1-12





50 | 2020-21 Financial Summary



During the 2020-21 financial year, a net amount of \$2,142,861 (2019-20: \$1,942,744) was paid in scholarship payments to eligible students. Comprehensive Income for the year ending 30 June 2021 resulted an income of \$4,177,682 (2019-20: Loss of \$1,264,406).

The Foundation's total expenses for the 2020-2021 year represented only 1.34% of funds under management, which is slightly higher than the previous year (2019-20: 1.33%), but with significantly more scholarship students.

QATSIF Scholarship Payments



Financial Position

The Foundation's net assets at 30 June 2021 were \$45,819,599.

Net Assets



2021 Investment Performance

The investment strategy for the QATSIF is reviewed on an annual basis in conjunction with advice from Queensland Investment Corporation Limited (QIC).

The strategy is designed to achieve the QATSIF stated investment objective to "maximise income while maintaining the real capital value of the funds after taking into account the effects of inflation".

The investment strategy for the Foundation is developed in consultation with QIC. The investments of the Foundation are held in the Public Trustee Growth Trust.

The investment objective of the Trust is to provide a fully diversified investment strategy for those seeking long-term income and capital growth.

The funds have been invested in the Australian Foundation for Charitable Trusts since June 2021.

Investment Performance to 30 September 2021 (after fees)

Australian Foundation for Charitable Trusts (AFCT)	% Return Since inception
QIC Diversified Australian Equities Fund (50%)	2.57%
QIC Long Term Diversified Fund (40%)	3.43%
QIC Short term Income Fund (10%)	0.15%
AFCT Total Return	2.27%

52 | 2021 Review

Our talented students and deadly schools have had a second year of dealing with COVID challenges but in spite of this, our QATSIF students have graduated in record numbers.

Our QATSIF Patron, Board and staff congratulate our record 1548 graduates this year and wish them all the best for the brightest of future. We thank and acknowledge our students' loving families, the incredibly dedicated school staff members and all who have worked so hard to support these amazing young people.

We especially recognise the Elders and Ancestors suffered the grave injustice of having their wages stolen because it is a tribute to their memories that so many young people have succeeded.

In 2022, we will have a record 3900 QATSIF students and will have approved over 14,300 scholarships in total across our 13 years.

Unfortunately, quite a number of this year's events were cancelled due to COVID restrictions, but we still had many successful gatherings and events including:

- New Recipients Celebrations at ACU (Banyo) and USQ (Springfield).
- Rocket Science and Aerospace Days at Jimboomba and Burpengary thanks to It's Rocket Science Adventures.
- QATSIF Student Leaders online Meetings.
- Queensland Ambulance Service and Transurban online meetings.
- Mabo Day and Coming of The Light celebrations at Griffith University (Logan)
- Round 13 Scholarship online schools' meeting.
- Floral Friday celebrations.
- QATSIF online career sessions.
- QATSIF Graduations – JCU (Townsville and Cairns).
- See I.T. Be I.T. program to encourage businesses to donate their used laptops and IT devices to support struggling students and families across Queensland.
- Recognition Dinner for Professor Cindy Shannon AM.

In 2021, we farewellled Professor Cindy Shannon AM our much-loved founding QATSIF Chairperson after 13 years of dedicated service to Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people, our QATSIF schools and Board. We acknowledged Professor Shannon's passion and dedication with a farewell celebration on our 13th Anniversary. Professor Shannon's vision and guidance developed QATSIF and made it Australia's leading Indigenous secondary scholarship foundation.

We will also farewell Rachel Stringfellow from our QATSIF Secretariat team. Rachel who was a past QATSIF student herself, has worked at QATSIF for the past two years after finishing her Psychology studies. She will head back to university to work on her PhD studying the issues surrounding the incarceration of First Nations young women and solutions to these big issues. QATSIF wishes Rachel all the best for the brightest of futures and thanks her for her passion and dedication across these past two years. In 2022, we will welcome Teagan Olssen, also a past QATSIF student, to our QATSIF team. Teagan is also studying for her Forensic Science, Criminology and Criminal Justice degree at Griffith University.



I would like to finish my report by thanking a number of people, including:

- Our QATSIF schools and their hard-working staff for their incredible support for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.
- Our amazingly talented QATSIF students for always inspiring us with your hard work and achievements.
- Our QATSIF parents, carers and wider community for your support for QATSIF.
- all of our donors, partner organisations and QATSIF Ambassadors for your generosity in supporting our deadly First Nations young people.
- The Public Trustee of Queensland, Mr Samay Zhouand and the staff of the Public Trustee of Queensland who oversee the QATSIF program and support us with human resources and finances.
- The Queensland Government for an extra \$4M in support to assist QATSIF's vital work.
- our dedicated QATSIF Secretariat staff – Shalana Uta, Rachel Stringfellow and Sonia Norbido for their passion and hard work to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.
- Our QATSIF Chair, Professor Cindy Shannon AM and our caring, supportive and knowledgeable QATSIF Board of Advice who always put the best interests of our young people first.
- Auntie Ruth Hegarty, our wise, compassionate and strong Patron for her sage advice and incredible passion for giving young people the opportunities that were denied her and so many other Elders and Ancestors.

We are looking forward to being able to celebrate our students' many achievements in 2022 hopefully without all of the COVID restrictions.

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Michael Nayler
QATSIF Secretariat Director



54 | Get Involved in 2022

How can I help QATSIF to continue its great work?

QATSIF is proud of its contribution in helping to “Close the Gap” in Year 12 completion and retention rates for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, but there is still work to do.

Over 12 scholarship rounds, the Public Trustee has paid out \$18M in scholarships to support more than 14,300 students. Our outstanding results enhance QATSIF as a “Leading Foundation” and thus makes QATSIF an attractive proposition for philanthropic donations to a credible program where the structure and operations are sound and transparent.

In 2022, the Board of Advice will continue to seek major funding partners who can assist QATSIF in being a sustainable Foundation into the future.

Will you support QATSIF in “Building tomorrow’s leaders”? You can help by making your tax deductible donation today to the Foundation or making provision for the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation in your Will.



HOW TO MAKE DONATIONS

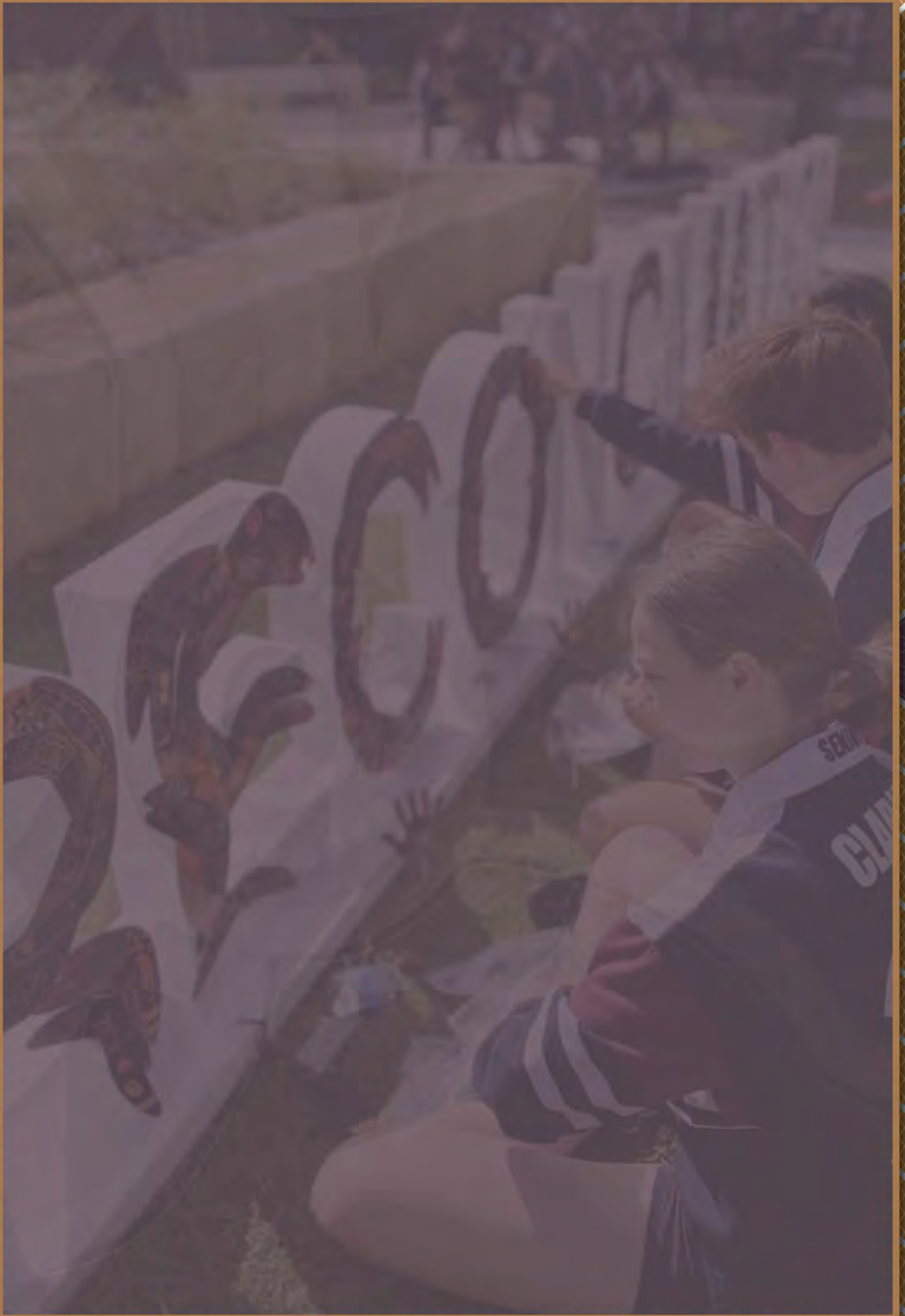
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Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation
2/439 Lutwyche Road, Lutwyche QLD 4030
Please include your name and email address. A receipt will be emailed to you for tax purposes.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders



56 | Acknowledgements

QATSIF recognises that without the hard work and sacrifices of our Elders and Ancestors who suffered the grave injustice of having their wages stolen, our QATSIF Scholarships would not be possible. We thank and pay our deepest respects to all who were, and continue to be affected by Stolen Wages and commit to working hard to ensure that every dollar possible creates better opportunities for Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander senior students.

QATSIF is grateful for the support of:

Our Queensland schools and their dedicated staff across our State, Catholic and Independent sectors.

Queensland Universities:

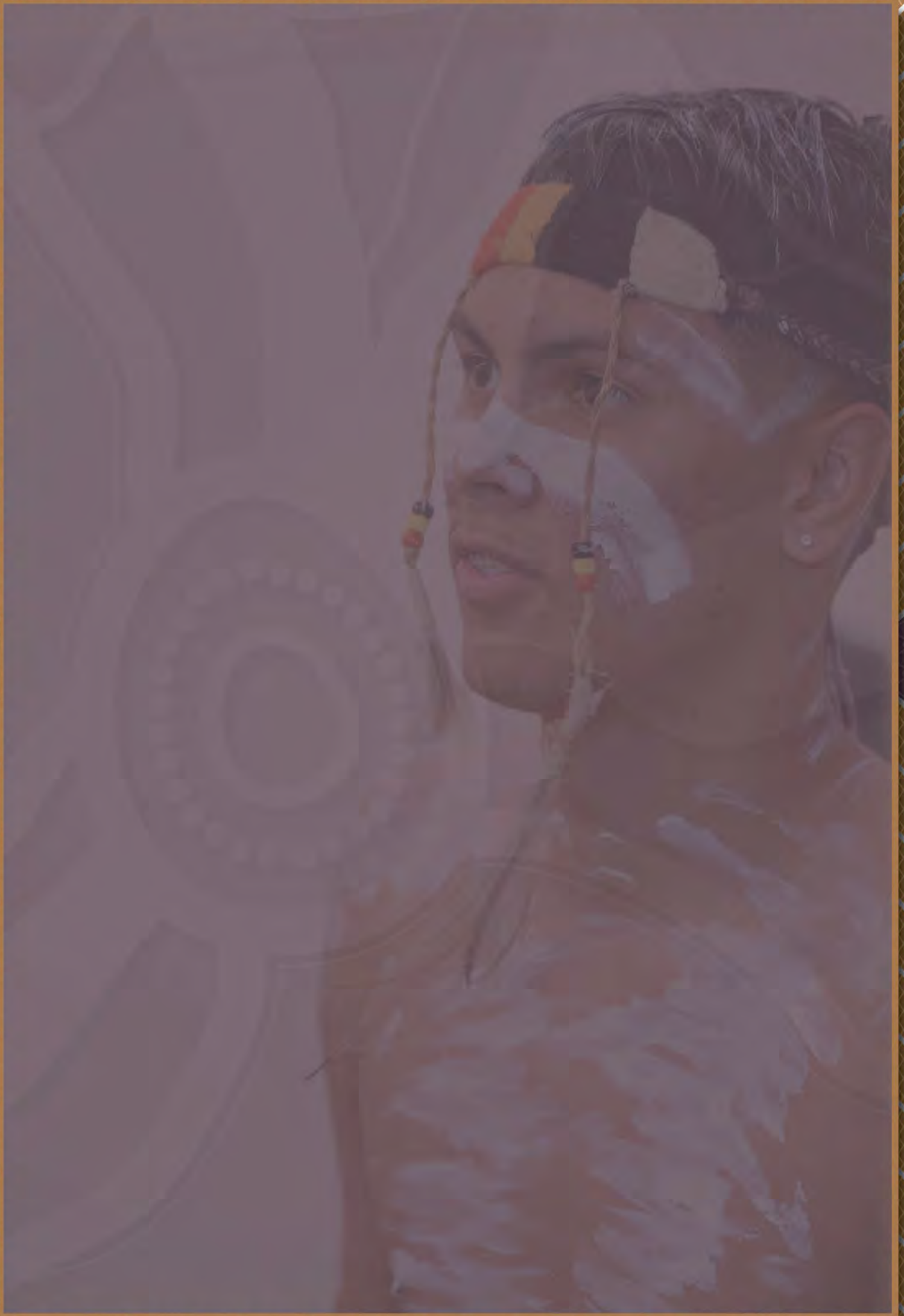
- Australian Catholic University
- Bond University
- CQUniversity
- Griffith University
- James Cook University
- Queensland University of Technology
- University of Southern Queensland
- University of the Sunshine Coast
- University of Queensland

The following organisations, individuals and businesses for their support:

- The Public Trustee of Queensland
- The Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships
- Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS)
- Transurban
- Viva Energy
- Deloitte Australia
- Hutchinson Builders
- Nicola Wassell
- For our See IT, Be IT Project: Substation33, ACS (Australian Computer Society), P&Cs Qld, LiteHaus International, Queensland Computers Pty Ltd, All Hallows School, Padua College, ProTech, Logan City Council, GroundProbe, Datacom.
- Aura Holdings
- Studio Cakes
- Lance McCallum MP
- Jason Martin
- Jamie-Lee Owen
- Phronis Consulting
- Papillon Studios



Your support has enabled the QATSIF Board of Advice and Secretariat to work with the Public Trustee of Queensland in contributing to the advancement of education of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people in Queensland (QATSIF Trust Deed 1.2).



58 | Our QATSIF Schools

2021 Schools

A B Paterson College
 Albany Creek State High School
 Aldridge State High School
 Alexandra Hills State High School
 All Hallows School
 All Saints Anglican School
 All Souls St Gabriels School
 Ambrose Treacy College
 Aquinas College
 Arcadia College
 Arethusa College
 Aspley State High School
 Atherton State High School
 Australian Christian College - Moreton
 Australian Industry Trade College (Ipswich)
 Australian Industry Trade College (Redlands)
 Australian Industry Trade College (Robina)
 Australian Trade College North Brisbane
 Ayr State High School
 Babinda State School
 Balmoral State High School
 Barcardine State School
 Beaudesert State High School
 Beenleigh State High School
 Beerwah State High School
 Bellbird Park State Secondary College
 Benowa State High School
 Bentley Park College
 Biloela State High School
 Blackheath and Thornburgh College
 Blackwater State High School
 Boonah State High School
 Bowen State High School
 Bracken Ridge State High School
 Bray Park State High School
 Bremer State High School
 Bribie Island State High School
 Brigidine College
 Brisbane Adventist College
 Brisbane Bayside State College



Brisbane Boys' College
 Brisbane Grammar School
 Brisbane School of Distance Education
 Brisbane State High School
 Browns Plains State High School
 Bundaberg North State High School
 Bundaberg State High School
 Bundamba State Secondary College
 Burdekin Christian College
 Burnett State College
 Burnside State High School
 Burpengary State Secondary College
 Caboolture State High School
 Cairns School of Distance Education
 Cairns State High School
 Calamvale Community College
 Calen District State College
 Caloundra Christian College
 Caloundra State High School
 Calvary Christian College
 Canterbury College
 Capalaba State College
 Capella State High School
 Carinity Education - Southside
 Carlisle Adventist Christian College
 Carmel College
 Cavendish Road State High School
 Centenary Heights State High School
 Centenary State High School
 Chancellor State College

Chanel College
 Charleville State High School
 Charters Towers School of Distance Education
 Charters Towers State High School
 Chinchilla State High School
 Chisholm Catholic College
 Clairvaux MacKillop College
 Clayfield College
 Clermont State High School
 Cleveland District State High School
 Clifton State High School
 Cloncurry State School
 Clontarf Beach State High School
 Collinsville State High School
 Concordia Lutheran College
 Cooktown State School
 Coolum State High School
 Coombabah State High School
 Coorparoo Secondary College
 Corinda State High School
 Craigslea State High School
 Cunnamulla State School
 Dakabin State High School
 Dalby State High School
 Deception Bay State High School
 Discovery Christian College
 Djarragun College
 Downlands College
 Dysart State High School

Earnshaw State College
 Eidsvold State School
 Elanora State High School
 Emerald State High School
 Emmanuel College
 Emmaus College (Jimboomba)
 Emmaus College (Rockhampton)
 Endeavour Christian College
 Everton Park State High School
 Fairholme College
 Faith Lutheran College
 Ferny Grove State High School
 Flagstone State Community College
 Forest Lake State High School
 Genesis Christian College
 Gilroy Santa Maria College
 Gin Gin State High School
 Gladstone State High School
 Glasshouse Christian College
 Glenala State High School
 Glenmore State High School
 Good Counsel College
 Good Samaritan College
 Good Shepherd Catholic College
 Goondiwindi State High School
 Gordonvale State High School
 Grace Lutheran College
 Groves Christian College
 Gympie State High School
 Harristown State High School
 Heatley Secondary College
 Heights College
 Helensvale State High School
 Hervey Bay State High School
 Highfields State Secondary College
 Hillcrest Christian College
 Holland Park State High School

Holy Spirit College
 Home Hill State High School
 Hymba Yumba Independent School
 Ignatius Park College
 Indooroopilly State High School
 Ingham State High School
 Innisfail State College
 Iona College
 Ipswich Girls' Grammar School
 Ipswich State High School
 Isis District State High School
 James Nash State High School
 John Paul College
 Kawana Waters State College
 Kedron State High School
 Keebra Park State High School
 Kelvin Grove State College
 Kenmore State High School
 Kepnock State High School
 Kilcoy State High School
 Kingaroy State High School
 King's Christian College
 Kingsley College
 Kingston College
 Kirwan State High School
 Laidley State High School
 Lighthouse Christian School
 Lockyer District State High School
 Loganlea State High School
 Longreach State High School
 Loreto College Coorparoo
 Lourdes Hill College
 Lowood State High School
 Mabel Park State High School
 MacGregor State High School
 Mackay Christian College
 Mackay North State High School



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 Mackay State High School
 Malanda State High School
 Maleny State High School
 Mareeba State High School
 Marist College (Emerald)
 Marist College (Ashgrove)
 Maroochydore State High School
 Marsden State High School
 Mary MacKillop Catholic College
 Mary MacKillop College
 Maryborough State High School
 Marymount College
 McAuley College
 Meridan State College
 Merrimac State High School
 Miles State High School
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 Mitchelton State High School
 Moranbah State High School
 Morayfield State High School
 Moreton Bay Boys College
 Moreton Bay College
 Mossman State High School
 Mount Alvernia College
 Mount Morgan State High School
 Mount St Bernard College
 Mountain Creek State High School
 Moura State High School
 Mt Gravatt State High School
 Mt Maria College (Mitchelton)
 Mt Maria College (Petrie)
 Mt St Bernard College
 Mt St Michael's College
 Mueller College
 Murgon State High School





Murrumba State Secondary College
 Music Industry College
 Nambour Christian College
 Nambour State College
 Nanango State High School
 Narangba Valley State High School
 Nerang State High School
 Noosa District State High School
 North Lakes State College
 North Rockhampton State High School
 Northern Beaches State High School
 Northern Peninsula Area State College
 Northpine Christian College
 Northside Christian College
 Oakey State High School
 Our Lady of the Southern Cross College
 Our Lady's College
 Pacific Pines State High School
 Padua College
 Palm Beach-Curumbin State High School
 Park Ridge State High School
 Peace Lutheran College
 Pimlico State High School
 Pimpama State Secondary College
 Pine Rivers State High School
 Pioneer State High School
 Pittsworth State High School
 Prince of Peace Lutheran College
 Proserpine State High School
 Queensland Academies Creative Industries Campus
 Queensland Academies Health Sciences Campus
 Queensland Academy for Science, Mathematics and Technology
 Ravenshoe State School
 Redbank Plains State High School
 Redcliffe State High School

Redlands College
 Redlynch State College
 Riverside Christian College
 Robina State High School
 Rockdale State High School
 Rockhampton Girls Grammar School
 Rockhampton State High School
 Rosedale State School
 Rosella Park State School
 Rosewood State High School
 Runcorn State High School
 Ryan Catholic College
 Saint Mary's Catholic College (Kingaroy)
 Saint Stephen's College
 San Sisto College
 Sandgate District State High School
 Sarina State High School
 Seton College
 Shailer Park State High School



Shalom College
 Silkwood School
 Silver Lining School
 Smithfield State High School
 Southern Cross Catholic College
 Southport State High School
 Spinifex State College
 Springfield Central State High School
 Springwood State High School
 St Andrew's Anglican College
 St Andrew's Catholic College
 St Anthony's Catholic College
 St Augustine's College (Augustine Heights)
 St Augustine's College (Cairns)
 St Benedict's College
 St Brendan's College

St Catherine's Catholic College
 St Columban's College
 St Edmund's College
 St Eugene College
 St Francis College
 St George State High School
 St James College
 St James Lutheran College
 St John Fisher College
 St John's College (Nambour)
 St John's School (Roma)
 St Joseph's College (Gregory Terrace)
 St Joseph's College (Toowoomba)
 St Joseph's Nudgee College
 St Laurence's College
 St Luke's Anglican School
 St Margaret Mary's College
 St Margaret's Anglican Girls School
 St Mary's Catholic College Woree
 St Mary's College (Ipswich)
 St Mary's College (Maryborough)
 St Mary's College (Toowoomba)
 St Michael's College
 St Monica's College
 St Patrick's College (Gympie)
 St Patrick's College (Mackay)
 St Patrick's College (Shorncliffe)
 St Patrick's College (Townsville)
 St Peter Claver College
 St Peters Lutheran College (Indooroopilly)
 St Peters Lutheran College (Springfield)
 St Rita's College
 St Saviour's College
 St Teresa's Catholic College (Noosaville)
 St Teresa's College (Abergowrie)
 St Thomas More College



St Ursula's College (Toowoomba)
 St Ursula's College (Yeppoon)
 Staines Memorial College
 Stanthorpe State High School
 Stretton State College
 Stuartholme School
 Suncoast Christian College
 Sunnybank State High School
 Sunshine Beach State High School
 Sunshine Coast Grammar School
 TAFE Queensland (Alexandra Hills Campus)
 Tagai State College
 Tamborine Mountain State High School
 Tannum Sands State High School
 The Cathedral College
 The Glennie School
 The Rockhampton Grammar School
 The School of Total Education
 The SCOTS PGC College
 Thuringowa State High School
 Toogoolawah State High School
 Toolooa State High School
 Toowoomba Anglican School
 Toowoomba Grammar School
 Toowoomba State High School
 Townsville Christian College
 Townsville Grammar School
 Townsville State High School
 Trinity Bay State High School
 Trinity College (Beenleigh)
 Trinity College (Gladstone)
 Tullawong State High School
 Tully State High School
 Unity College
 Upper Coomera State College
 Urangan State High School
 Varsity College
 Victoria Point State High School
 Victory College
 Villanova College
 Warwick Christian College
 Warwick State High School
 Wavell State High School
 Wellington Point State High School
 West Moreton Anglican College
 Western Cape College
 Whites Hill State College
 Whitsunday Christian College

William Ross State High School
 Wilsonton State High School
 Windaroo Valley State High School
 Woodcrest State College
 Woodridge State High School
 Woree State High School
 Wynnum State High School
 Xavier Catholic College
 Yeppoon State High School
 Yeronga State High School





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