



Student Leadership Handbook 2026



Beaumaris
Secondary
College

The Student Leadership Program within the college enables student leaders to influence and motivate fellow students. Student Leaders are curious, self-aware and confident in expressing their ideas. They are optimistic about a future that will allow all to flourish together. They have a sense of pride and responsibility to each other, the college and the wider community.

At Beaumaris Secondary College, we empower our students to understand and adapt to a constantly changing world. We actively promote participation and shared decision making that asks how individuals and our community can thrive now and in the future. Our comprehensive program develops and nurtures leadership skills.

The Student Leadership Team is supported by the Student Engagement and Voice Team who meet regularly with student leaders to mentor and guide them as they carry out their responsibilities.

College Expectations of Student Leaders

Beaumaris Secondary College students who apply for and accept leadership positions are expected to:

- Represent the school and act as a leader during school-sponsored activities and community events, and support the college where needed.
- Work as a part of the Student Leadership Team. Leaders will collaborate and attend meetings, contribute ideas and accept responsibility for managing specific tasks.
- Assist in the organisation of activities specific to the leadership role. This includes helping to set up events and equipment, welcoming parents and friends, formally thanking volunteers and assisting/monitoring/cleaning up after events.
- Act as role models and actively support the CORE values of Curiosity, Optimism, Respect and Excellence in all that they do, aiming to create a school community of authentic relationships that celebrates diversity, embraces the challenges of a changing world and promotes a positive mindset.
- Contribute to the college newsletter and college assemblies.

2026 Student Leadership Roles

- **College Captains** – 2 Year 12 students
- **Year Level Captains** – 5 students (one from Year 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11)
- **House Captains** – 28 students (one per House from Year 7 – 11, two per House from Year 12)
- **Amplify Leaders** – open to students across Year 8 – 12
- **School Council Representatives** – 2 students (across Years 9 – 12); next election in 2027
- **Senior Engagement Leaders** – 8 students (one from Year 10, 11 or 12) for each of the following positions:
 - > Communications
 - > Community Liaison
 - > Climate Action
 - > Debating and Public Speaking
 - > Performing Arts
 - > Sport
 - > Student Wellbeing
 - > Visual Arts
- **Junior Engagement Leaders** – 7 students (one from Year 7, 8 or 9) for each of the following positions:
 - > Communications
 - > Climate Action
 - > Performing Arts
 - > Sport
 - > Student Wellbeing
 - > Visual Arts



Student Leadership Role Descriptions

College Captains

- Represent the college and student body at school and community forums/functions.
- Work with the Student Leadership Team, Principal Team and the Student Engagement and Voice Team to initiate, develop and lead ideas and experiences to improve student engagement at the college.
- Chair student leadership meetings.
- MC college assemblies and events, such as Presentation Evening.
- Help create a school community that is progressive, resilient and celebrates diversity in all its forms.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote the college.

House Captains

- Play an active role in the House events, such as Swimming, Athletics, Beauty Bake Off and House Colours Day to drive House spirit and participation.
- Update the college on House events at whole school and House assemblies each term.
- Conduct House meetings in collaboration with the Heads of House. This includes working as part of a team to organise and plan each meeting, and attending briefing and debriefing meetings with House teachers and leaders.
- Year 12 House Captains assist in the creation of the House videos for graduation night.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote house spirit and activities.

Year Level Captains

- Represent the college and student body at school and community forums/functions.
- Work with the Student Leadership Team, Principal Team and the Student Engagement and Voice Team to initiate, develop and lead ideas and experiences to improve student engagement at the college.
- Develop a thriving community within the year level by creating initiatives and activities that foster participation.
- Assist with college assemblies.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote the college.

Amplify Leaders

- Work with teachers to examine, develop and implement a guaranteed and viable curriculum that is engaging and suitable for all students.
- Provide feedback from students to teaching staff on the curriculum.
- Be a part of the teacher selection process.
- Assist with Open Night, Orientation Day and school information and community nights, such as the PBL Expo Night.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote learning and academic achievement.

Engagement Leaders

Communications

- Regularly update students about important dates, events, and deadlines through a variety of communication channels.
- Work with school staff and fellow student leaders to create and share meeting agendas and materials in advance.
- Collaborate with staff and students to plan, organise, and lead school assemblies and community events.
- Strengthen student voice by collecting feedback and sharing key messages between students and staff.
- Help manage school communication platforms such as newsletters, display screens, or social media to promote events and achievements.

Community Liaison Leader

- Work alongside the Student Engagement and Voice Team to develop and maintain community relationships.
- Identify opportunities for collaboration and partnerships that support and promote the school's vision of 'Belong, Believe, Become'.
- Support the development and implementation of school events such as the Grade 5 Program, Grade 6 Orientation Day and Year 7 Transition.
- Supporting significant cultural events at the college, such as ANZAC Day.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote community connections.



Climate Action Leader

- Lead the Climate Action Team to develop and implement actions that support environmental sustainability at the school.
- Organise and chair regular meetings with the Climate Action Team.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote climate awareness and sustainability.

Debating and Public Speaking Leader

- Lead and support the college debating teams in both their preparations and involvement in competitions. This includes:
 - > Supporting teams in organising their speaker roles and arguments
 - > Coaching them on debating techniques.
- Collaborate with the Debating teacher and House Captains to run House public speaking competitions and debates.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote the debating team.

Performing Arts Leader

- Work with the Visual Arts Leader and members of the Create team to develop and implement a culture of appreciation for the arts at the college.
- Assist in the preparation of events with performing art elements, including Arts Week, Open Night, Orientation Day, VCE Expo nights, College Productions and Instrumental Music Soirees.
- Promote student participation in performing arts related activities.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote the arts.

Engagement Leaders continued

Sport Leader

- Organise and assist with lunchtime sports games between Houses, year levels and staff.
- To play an active role in the House Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals. This includes participating on the day and assisting with the set up and running of the carnivals.
- Support staff in promoting Interschool Sport.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote sporting achievements and healthy activities.

Student Wellbeing Leader

- Support the Wellbeing Team and collaborate with student groups to discuss wellbeing and safety issues.
- Support staff in promoting wellbeing activities throughout the year.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote wellbeing and mental health.

Visual Arts Leader

- Work with the Performing Arts Leader and members of the Create team to develop and implement a culture of appreciation for the arts at the college.
- Assist in the preparation of events with performing art elements, including Arts Week, Open Night, Orientation Day and VCE Expo nights.
- Assist with visual displays around the school.
- Promote student participation in visual arts related activities.
- Contribute to the school community via the newsletter and assemblies to celebrate and promote the arts.



School Council Representatives

Year 9-12 students only – next election in 2027

- Full voting members of School Council.
- Prepare for and attend all School Council meetings (held in the evening each month).
- Represent the student voice on whole school issues.
- Term of office is 2 years.

To find out more about specific School Council responsibilities, please collect an information sheet and application form from reception.