

# ACADEMY

A Program for Young People enrolled at Charles La Trobe College in Years 7, 8 & 9. Designed to build strong student-adult relationships, academic effort, strong school engagement, improved attendance and positive behaviour.



#### WELCOME

Ganbu Djila Sports Park is finally complete, and our Academy students love using the facility for training and games.

This \$5 million Charles La Trobe Sports Park facility is a state-of-theart facility and one of the largest school synthetic turf sites in Melbourne.

While soccer is at the core of the Academy, a feature of the program is the learning and playing of new sports and recreational activities: touch rugby, swimming, futsal, rock-climbing, basketball, netball and others will all help to increase student's connection with their school.



The Academy also features strong learning opportunities for students around their resilience and mental health.

We further support student homework and classwork with sessions of catch-up and with opportunities to attend our afterschool homework clubs on Mondays and Thursdays.

Students spend between 15 and 20% of their week with the Academy, and are part of the normal college curriculum program at all other times. They will feel both part of a class group, as well as the Academy.



### BEYOND SOCCER

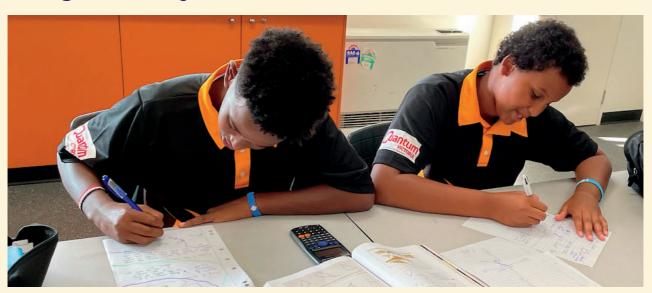
#### **Partnering with La Trobe Sport at La Trobe University**

The Academy Program includes an engaging array of off-site and extracurricula activities, including excursions to La Trobe University Soccer Facilities, the University's swimming pool and gym facilities for core strength and conditioning fitness.

We will have access to The Matildas - the Australian Women's Soccer team - during their residencies at their new home. Academy students will have access to International, NPL and A-League Matches.

The Academy also helps students with careers and pathways planning, and create industry connections, especially in Sport & Recreation.

#### Being the best you can be



Your passion or goal doesn't have to be elite soccer, in fact for most of our young people any sport would do it. It may be that you want to improve your academic results... the academy can help you reach your fullest potenital.

## ADDITIONAL INFO

The program is for both boys and girls, and you can apply on our college website for a spot at the end of your Year 6, Year 7 or Year 8. Uniforms and other items remain the property of the college and must returned at the end of the student's time in the Academy.



#### Cost

Enrolment in the Soccer Academy comes at no cost to parents or families, we will be supplying training tops, game uniforms and other items, however parents may wish to purchase appropriate turf shoes once part of the program.



#### **Ability**

Because the program is designed to first and foremost give priority to strong school engagement, strong adult – student relationships and increase attendance, positive behaviour and academic effort – students of all soccer abilities are invited to try-out. We are not building an elite academy, but one that focuses on individual student need through sport.



#### **Enrollment**

The Academy is an extremely popular program at Charles La Trobe, and because of that we have a waiting list. It also means that students are expected to keep up to date with their classwork, behaviour appropriately at school and on excursions, and represent the college with pride. There is always another young person waiting for your spot to become available!