Roma Mitchell Secondary College is a brand new secondary school built to provide a rigorous, quality education for families living in the inner northern suburbs of Adelaide. The school is designed to support students aspiring to University, TAFE and other relevant community pathways. The school is made up of three distinct campuses; girls only education, coeducation and special education. Students have the broader curriculum advantages of a large school and the security and support of being part of a smaller learning community.

Special Education

We have a purpose built Special Education Campus which caters for the learning, social and physical needs of students with intellectual disabilities. Staff in this campus are highly skilled in working with special needs students and undergo ongoing professional development in this area. Student placement into this campus is managed by DECD through the ‘Special Options Placement Process’.

Core Curriculum

The Core Curriculum aims for each student to develop knowledge, skills and understanding to achieve maximum functional outcomes in their lives both now and in the future. The Core Curriculum areas are delivered as ongoing subjects during each student’s time at school.

The Core Curriculum covers:-
Practical Literacy/ Communication
Practical Numeracy
Information Communication Technology (ICT)
Health and Physical Education
Independent Living Skills
The Arts
Transition Education
Science

SACE and Australian Curriculum

In years 8 and 9 students follow the Australian Curriculum with relevant learning in each of the curriculum areas aligned to their NEP goals.

Prior to year 10, the student, parent/caregiver and significant other agencies discuss SACE options that support planning for the student’s future pathways.

Students have the opportunity to study SACE in years 10 -12 and generally are enrolled in the semester when they turn 15.

The school offers a broad range of modified SACE subjects.

Students can complete the SACE requirements and receive a modified SACE certificate.

Transition Education

The skills and work ethics taught at the Special Education Campus as part of the school based work experience program, enable students to make the transition smoothly from school to work.

Transition Pathways Day placement is 1 day per week in a school based, out of school or simulated work environment or participation in activities likely to be accessed in Day Options programs, as appropriate to each student’s needs and abilities.

Work Experience may be identified as a suitable option for students. Access to work experience depends on mobility and ability.

Pathways After School can be divided into three major groups:
Day Options
Supported Employment
Open Employment

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Communication/Literacy

We believe that effective and functional communication is vital for students now and in the future. To accommodate all students individualised needs we offer various communication modes:

- Traditional reading, writing and spelling
- Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS)
- Pragmatic Organisation Dynamic Display (PODD)
- Sign Language (AUSLAN and/or Makaton)
- Proloquo2Go (iPad)

Uniform

Roma Mitchell Secondary College has a smart but formal school uniform, endorsed by our Governing Council. We believe that wearing a school uniform is an important part of developing school pride and also contributes to the creation of an ordered, purposeful community. All students are expected to wear school uniform. Parents experiencing financial hardship may apply for uniform subsidies.

Parent Involvement

We believe that all students are more successful when schools work in genuine partnership with parents and caregivers. Regular formal and informal communication with parents is a regular feature of our school through our school newsletters, information placed on our school web-site and parent teacher evenings. Parents also have the opportunity to participate in decision making groups such as Governing Council and other consultative forums.

Location and Transport

Roma Mitchell Secondary College is conveniently located on Briens Road at Gepps Cross. It has easy access from the City, Inner and Northern suburbs along major bus routes.

Some students will be eligible for SERU transport, provided by DECD.

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Special Education Leadership

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