What services does the Learning and Support Centre offer?

The Learning and Support Centre offers the following services:

- 1:1 mentoring sessions
- Small group tutoring sessions
- 10 week Senior Literacy Program
- ‘Snack-n-Study’ Homework Centre
- Study Hall
- Special Provisions
- Year 12 Study Spaces
- Regular monitoring of outstanding assessments through the ‘Back on Track’ Program
- Yr. 10 Teacher–Student Mentoring Program
- Individual Support Plans that covers classwork, homework, assessment tasks, time management and study habits
- Training for readers and writers to provide 1:1 support during formal exams and assessment tasks
- Involvement in University of Newcastle’s AIM High Programs/Workshops.
- Reward days

And there is much, much more to come!!

The Learning and Support Centre aims to give all senior student a ‘fair go’. Every student despite their background will be provided with the following:

- Opportunities to develop skills and gain knowledge to be able to participate and contribute positively to society
- A learning environment that is organised and suitable to individual needs for students to achieve their best
- Access to learning that is not limited by personal circumstances
- Teachers that are well trained, committed, caring and knowledgeable
- Recognition of achievement
- Reassurance that their education is worthy and valued by the school
- A sensitive and responsive approach to students with special learning needs
- Ongoing monitoring to ensure that students feel supported

So where can you find the Senior Student Learning and Support Centre?

The Senior Learning and Support Centre is located on the ground floor off the General Learning Block across from room 1.7. If you have any questions or queries please don’t hesitate in coming down to see Miss Morris.
Dear Parents/Guardians and Students

Irrawang High School has recently established a Learning and Support Centre for senior students’ from year 10-12. The main focus of this initiative is to monitor each student’s progress and provide additional learning support if required.

Specialised staff collaboratively design Individualised Learning and Support Plans and implement support programs when needed. Staff will regularly work in partnership with parents/guardians and relevant school personnel to support students who have been identified as having a learning disability and/or learning difficulties.

Although the Learning and Support Centre is designed to support senior students who experience learning difficulties, it is important that all students and parents are aware that learning and support at Irrawang High School is for EVERYONE.

Check out what else we have to offer...

Is the Learning and Support Centre for you?

To determine if the Learning and Support Centre can help you please ask yourself the following questions:

- Do you have difficulties with learning?
- Do you need special provisions?
- Do you need additional support when attempting to complete classwork, homework or formal assessment tasks?
- Do you regularly submit set tasks past the due date?
- Do you experience difficulties with learning how to study?
- Do you have limited or no access to a computer, internet or printer at home?
- Do you struggle to balance your work-life-school commitments?
- Do you have N-Award warning/s that you need to clear?
- Do you need to appeal an N-Award warning that you have received?
- Are you losing motivation to attend school and complete work?
- Do you procrastinate?
- Do you want to learn how to improve your study habits, learning experiences and overall grades?
- Do you want to learn how to better prepare and revise for exams?
- Do you need guidance and advice with setting achievable and realistic goals for your future?

OR

Do you have a serious case of Senioritis?

Senioritis is a condition that can adversely affects a student’s ability to learn. It is usually caused by:

⇒ Boredom
⇒ Fear of change or growing up
⇒ Burnt out
⇒ Excitement for graduation

If you have answered YES to any of the above you are encouraged to seek assistance from the Senior Learning and Support Centre. You will be able to access services and information that may improve your learning experience and educational outcomes at Irrawang High School.

Learning Support Team

At Irrawang High School there is a dedicated Learning and Support Team that monitors student progress. If you have any questions, queries or would simply like to refer yourself to receive support please see the following:

- Mr. C. Elliot (Principal)
- Mr. C. McCord (Relieving Principal)
- Mr. D. Pearson (10,12 Relieving Deputy)
- Mr. M. O’Brien (11 Deputy)
- Mrs. B. Delore/ Mr. D. Reidy/ Mrs. M Fodeades (Counsellors)
- Mrs. K. Devetak (HT Support)
- Mr. J. Tonks (HT Wellbeing)
- Mrs. L. Gioia (Special Provisions Officer)
- Miss. J. Morris (Senior Learning & Support Teacher)