A Community of Schools Developing Global Achievers

Beaulieu College

prospectus
The Kyalami Schools Group consists of three high-performing independent (private) schools, namely, Beaulieu Preparatory, Kyalami Preparatory and Beaulieu College.

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Our schools will strive to achieve the vision by:
• Striving to maximise each child’s potential
• Making our subject matter relevant to the real world
• Adopting and encouraging a holistic approach to the development of each child
  • Fostering creative and critical thinking skills
  • Creating global awareness

vision

values

• Integrity
• Consistency
• Accountability
• Respect
• Excellence
At Beaulieu College we pride ourselves on the close working partnership of teachers and pupils, together pursuing local and global excellence. Operating transparently, communicating effectively, we mentor each child to achieve personal success.

Academics

Academic work is a core focus at Beaulieu College. Our advanced learning, remediation and mentorship programmes, as well as small class sizes are geared toward academic and personal growth. Beaulieu College boasts an overall pupil teacher ratio of 11:1 with a maximum class size of 27. The results speak for themselves. Since inception our matric cohorts have achieved a 100% pass rate, with an average of above 95% Bachelor Degree status over the last 6 years.

General Education and Training (GET) Phase - Grade 8 and 9

Beaulieu College offers the following learning areas in the GET phase:

- English Home language
- Afrikaans or isiZulu First Additional language
- Mathematics
- Natural Sciences (NS): Physical Sciences and Life Sciences
- Human and Social Sciences (HSS): History and Geography
- Arts and Culture (A&C): Music, Visual Arts and Drama
- Technology
- Life Orientation (LO)
- Economic Management and Sciences (EMS)

Choice subject

One of Accelerated Maths, Music, Visual Arts, Dramatic Arts and Equine Studies; or one of Enrichment Afrikaans, Enrichment isiZulu and Enrichment Maths

We divide some Learning Areas into subjects (eg. Natural Sciences into Physical and Life Sciences), led by our philosophy that specialist teachers provide greater depth and insight. This approach continues into the FET (grade 10-12) phase.
Once pupils have met rigorous internal promotion requirements, they are promoted to the Further Education and Training phase (FET), where they are expected to continue with four core subjects:

- Life Orientation (LO)
- English Home language
- Afrikaans First Additional language or isiZulu First Additional language
- Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy

In addition to these core subjects, pupils choose three electives from the following offerings:

- Accounting
- Business Studies
- Information Technology
- Engineering Graphics and Design
- Physical Sciences
- Life Sciences
- Geography
- History
- Dramatic Arts
- Visual Arts
- Equine Studies
- Music (offered externally)
- Computer Applications Technology (CAT - offered externally)

In addition, pupils may study the following Advanced Programme subjects in the FET phase:

- AP Mathematics - Grades 10, 11 and 12
- AP English – Grades 11 and 12
- AP Physics (2020)

All our learning material is aligned with the Curriculum Assessment Policies (CAPs), as outlined by the National Curriculum Statement. While this serves as a framework, teachers supplement and enrich the content and skills in all subjects to ensure that material is dynamic and effective.

Our pupils write the Independent Examinations Board’s National Senior Certificate at the end of Grade 12.
Technology

At Beaulieu College we integrate Technology into the learning process. Our aim is for Technology to enhance learning and productivity – a means to an end rather than an end in itself. It is important that Technology has purpose and engages the minds of our pupils, rather than serving merely as entertainment or distraction. To this end the staff is regularly trained to put best practice to work in their classrooms and use Technology in effective and meaningful ways.

Much of the College’s academic coursework and planning is available on our extensive Intranet, giving pupils access both from home and school. Policy documents are also quickly and easily available online to all school stakeholders.

Our administration system is unique and highly informative, allowing teachers, parents and pupils to make particularly effective use of academic indicators such as test scores and changes in performance. This system provides an early warning system to guide progress and remediation.

Beaulieu College also has a campus-wide wireless network to accommodate all types of electronic devices, once again granting quick and easy access to Intranet and internet networks. In addition, each classroom is equipped with a teaching computer, data projection and sound facility and, where necessary, an interactive whiteboard.

Thinking Schools SA

Beaulieu College is affiliated to Thinking Schools South Africa (TSSA). As such it is an educational institution in which all members share a common commitment to giving regular, careful thought to everything that takes place. A unique ethos of aspiration, reflection and improvement permeates the school at all levels.

Staff are professionally trained to use “thinking tools” in their teaching and management of pupils. The College’s identity as a ‘Thinking School’ is at the heart of its work in the classroom, whether it is encouraging children to think about others, teaching them how to critically analyse and question effectively or training them to think things out for themselves. The focus on ‘thinking skills’ plays a significant role in teaching pupils how to learn effectively and is an important factor in their sustained progress and their preparation for later life.
Sport and Culture

At Beaulieu College we believe sport and cultural activities are integral to the holistic development of each individual. The main goal of the co-curricular programme is to give pupils an opportunity to express themselves and develop skills outside the classroom, while also enhancing social skills and physical and mental health.

In all co-curricular codes emphasis is placed on the life skills learned in the activity - teamwork, spirit, co-operation, effective communication, grit and resilience – skills that transfer to other areas of the pupil’s life. We believe every pupil has the ability to achieve something significant in sport and culture, whether it is achieving a personal goal, participating in a musical ensemble or dramatic performance, playing for a school team, or achieving district, provincial or national selection.

For the more competitive individual, we also encourage high levels of competition in specific activities. We perform at the highest levels in sports such as Equestrian, Hockey and Netball and in cultural activities such as Drama, Dancing and Choir.

Sports on offer include:
Swimming, Waterpolo, Golf, Tennis, Squash, Equestrian, Soccer, Athletics, Cricket, Hockey, Netball and Rugby

Cultural activities include:
Chess, Dancing, Debating, Drama, Music, Sound and Lighting, Photography, Journalism and Choir.
Beaulieu College believes strongly in encouraging a commitment to service. We require our pupils to complete a number of community service hours at outside organisations annually, through the online platform ‘Community Hours’ on which all of our pupils are registered upon entry into the College. Our popular and active Interact Club is involved in several outreach projects each year. There are also opportunities to serve within the school environment in activities such as Public Relations, First Aid, Cricket Scoring and Sound and Lighting. In addition, we participate in external fundraising initiatives such as the Southern Sun International CEO Schools SleepOut™.

To serve effectively it is also important to learn how to lead. We have an extensive and ever-expanding leadership programme, ranging from annual grade camps in Grade 9, 10 and 11 to our weekly leadership lessons in Grade 10-12. We also offer leadership programmes such as mentorship opportunities for Grade 11 and 12 pupils and councillorship for Grade 12. Finally, pupils can serve and lead by being voted on to the Student Representative Council.
Global Opportunities

While we are committed to the local environment, Beaulieu College also seeks to promote an awareness of global context and global issues. Regional custom-designed tours and custom-designed overseas tours are a regular offering in the academic, cultural and sporting arenas. We facilitate pupil participation in the World Challenge Programme every second year. We facilitate annual exchange students from Europe, the UK, Asia and New Zealand.

Our matric pupils are made aware of overseas study opportunities at our annual career days and we regularly invite to the school organisations which facilitate placement in UK and USA universities.

The College recognises the need for pupils to be equipped with 21st century skills. For example, we run entrepreneurial programmes in grade 8 and teach entrepreneurial skills in grade 9. Pupils compete on an international stage and are given the requisite skills to become valued South African citizens. They also showcase their creativity and innovation by participating in various national science competitions as well as the worldwide Google Science Fair.

Multi-faith

Beaulieu College is a multi-faith school, embracing staff and pupils of all religions and belief systems.

Diversity

Beaulieu College is a diverse school with staff and pupils from diverse backgrounds and identities. Values of tolerance, respect and appreciation make up a core part of our policy and vision. We embrace our diversity and we recognise that it must be actively nurtured, not just accepted in principle.

For this reason, we have developed a Thinking Space programme at the school that tackles the complex issues around diversity and upskills pupils in the key area of civil discourse. Our curriculum includes workshops and discussions run by expert facilitators, as well as guest speakers, targeted skills training in negotiation and problem-solving, and celebrations of important occasions.
Kyalami Schools (NPC) has one central admissions office that assists Beaulieu Preparatory School, Kyalami Preparatory School and Beaulieu College with all its admissions processes. The application form may be downloaded from the website:

http://www.kyalamischools.org/admissions/general-admission-info

and submitted electronically with proof of payment of the non-refundable application fee of R500 to: admissions@kyalamischools.org.

Application forms may also be faxed to 086 6066 390

When submitting an application form, the form must be signed by both parents, unless one parent is solely responsible for all education aspects. Please include the following when submitting an application for enrolment form:

• a copy of your child's birth certificate,
• proof of residence e.g. rates or levies statement from the municipality or body corporate
• a copy of your child’s most recent school report (Gr 1 - 11)

To view our schools’ facilities parents can contact the admissions office on 010 591 5004.