



## RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION IN SCHOOL HOURS

### CONTEXT

The practises of Bremer State High are informed by

- the Education General Provisions Act 2006,
- the policy document SCM-PR-012: Chaplaincy Services in Queensland State Schools [Religious Education and Chaplaincy Services - Chaplaincy services](#) and
- [Religious Instruction in school hours - A handbook for state school communities](#)".

### PROGRAM

The Religious Education Program at Bremer is a cooperative program. It is coordinated and supervised by the Chaplaincy Service, a representative group of local church leaders, parents, students and staff. Our Local Chaplaincy Committee operates on behalf of up to 16 local Christian churches.

Instruction occurs once a term, with each session being one hour in duration. The program, known as the Lifetime Program is presented in a school assembly format, for each year level, from grades 8 to 12. The Principal is kept informed of the program on a regular basis and the Principal (or his nominee) represents the school at Local Chaplaincy Committee meetings.

Details are provided each year to parents in a "Lifetime" letter. (Lifetime program – Parent permission) Parents have the opportunity to withdraw their children from the program at any stage through the year. Students electing not to participate in the program are provided supervised care.

Approved instructors carry school identification cards, hold a 'Blue Card' from the Commission For Children And Young People. A register of approved Instructors is kept.

For more details on the Chaplaincy Service operations, please refer to a separate document "Chaplaincy Service" on this website.