Southern Cross School K-12 is unique in terms of our organisation structure and open learning mode of education. We have over 1,600 students from kindergarten to Year 12, including a distance education centre servicing students in Years 7–12 stretching from the Queensland border, south to Woolgoolga and west to Tenterfield. Our dynamic, caring learning environment provides for various students’ needs and interests, teaching a broad range of subjects by specialist teachers.

**Special subjects**
- Agriculture
- Design and Illustration
- Marine Technology
- Photography

**Performing Arts**
- Drama
- Music
- Dance
- Public speaking

**Languages offered**
- Japanese
- French
- Chinese
- German
- Italian
- Indonesian
- Spanish

**Extracurricular activities**
- Major Theatrical Production
- Choir
- Debating
- Student Representative Council
- Leadership Programs
- Environmental Program
- Surfing program.

**Local area features**
Close to the popular tourist and surf destinations of Lennox Head and Byron Bay, the Ballina Shire features a number of sandy beaches and lush subtropical rainforests, local bustling cafés and restaurants, arts and craft markets. Cycleways loop the town with glorious ocean views where dolphins and whales are often seen frolicking nearby.

**Sports offered**

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**ALL YEAR**
- Basketball
- Touch football
- Volleyball

Note: School sport offered in Years 7 to 10. Senior students may join junior teams at school. Weekend competitions through local clubs also available.