Bankstown Girls High School is a comprehensive girls’ high school that aims to develop students as independent life-long learners who will make strong contributions to the community. The curriculum allows students to study a range of subjects including an innovative program in English as a Second Language helping students achieve academic success.

English as a second language (ESL)
ESL teachers for all years • Fundamentals of English offered in Year 11

Student support services
Excursions and activities to assist students to settle into the community • School counsellor • Welfare • Literacy and numeracy teachers • Guided Inquiry project teacher

Languages taught
French (Year 8, Year 11, Year 12 HSC)

Special programs
Sports management and coaching • Student newspaper The Buzz and media team • Creative, music and performing arts • Debating and public speaking programs • Peer support • Programs with University of Sydney, University of Technology Sydney, University of Western Sydney, University of New South Wales and TAFE NSW Institutes

Features of the local area
Bankstown local area is a thriving multicultural centre with strong Middle Eastern, South-East Asian and Chinese influences. There is easy access to transport, shopping and recreational facilities. The area is renowned for its food, cultural festivals and shopping.

Principal
Mrs Betty Harper

International Student Coordinator
Ms Sevvina Chirstodoulides

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Established
1960

School motto
Always the Best: Learning for a Changing Future

School population
644

Academic achievements – 2013 HSC results
Highest ATAR was 93.5 • 81% of our students enrolled in Tertiary institutions • 37% received university offers

Special facilities
Careers and Post School Transition Education Centre • Visual arts rooms with pottery kilns, textiles and fashion room, digital multimedia centre and photographic darkroom • Three music rooms • Drama room • Gym • Cafeteria and canteen • Industry-standards kitchen and food technology laboratory • Facilities for wood, leatherwork and design courses • Five Science laboratories • Modern, well equipped computerised library with adjoining seminar rooms for senior students • Four networked computer laboratories with full internet and Wi-Fi access across the school • After school homework centre

“I will never forget the wonderful days I spent at Bankstown Girls High School. The school provides a very encouraging and enjoyable study environment. I have developed not only my English and academic basics but also social and interpersonal skills. It has given me the opportunity to meet people from different cultures and learn a lot from them.”

DINH LE KHUYEN (KATIE) DUONG
Vietnam