Penshurst Girls Campus is a Years 7 to 10 (12-16 years old) girls school and is part of the Georges River College. The school has enjoyed outstanding academic, cultural and sporting successes.

In 2009 and 2011, the school was awarded Director-General of Education Awards for excellence. The school has approximately 180 students in each year. There are over 30 different cultures represented.

**English as a second language (ESL)**

Full-time ESL teachers assist students with language difficulties • Teachers work with girls in the classroom or one-on-one in a structured timetabled program

**Student support services**

International student coordinators • Welfare team • Learning support team • Careers resource centre

**Languages taught**

Japanese • Italian • Chinese (Years 7, 8, 9 and 10)

**Special programs**

Gifted and talented program • School Representative Council, Peer Tutors, Peer Support and Social Justice group • Creative and Performing Arts with instrumental music ensembles, college and campus concert bands, vocal, dance and drama groups, school musical productions, creative arts exhibitions, debating and public speaking • Interschool sporting programs and competitions • Interactive whiteboards and video conferencing

**Academic achievements – 2013 HSC results**

At Georges River College Oatley the HSC Dux received ATAR 98.9

**“This is the first time for me to be away from my home country, Thailand. As an International Student at GRC Penshurst Girls Campus, I was welcomed warmly by my new friends who helped me overcome my fear of being in a new environment. I am still struggling with my English which makes me anxious, but all my teachers and friends understand my situation and have been patiently helping me to improve. It’s a wonderful experience to be among new people and sharing my culture with them. I’m learning how to be a young adult here and develop useful skills for my future. School gives me a lesson to be responsible in everything and I’m very happy. This is the best part of my life, I have had experienced ever!!”**

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