## WHAT IS TOMP

Tournament of Minds (TOM) is a problem-solving program for teams of students from both Primary and Secondary years.

## THE CHALLENGES

Our 2018 Challenges have undergone some exciting and innovative changes. New this year STEM and The Arts.

STEM

The combination of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) principles provides an integrated approach for students to deepen their conceptual understanding, and use their creative and critical thinking skills to solve the challenges within an authentic context.

The Arts

A new discipline for those who have a love for the visual and performing arts!!!

The Long Term Challenges will involve research before developing a creative interpretation in response to the Challenge. Plenty of opportunities for artistic expression in the form of dance, song, musical instruments, theatre and all forms of the Visual Arts.

Language Literature

anguage Literature Challenges will involve indepth analysis and research of texts from a variety of fields.

Social Sciences

A journey through the moral and ethical issues confronting society in the 21st Century.



## THE TEAMS

Teams of seven students from school entry to Year 10 are invited to participate within two divisions:

Teams in the Primary Division must be a mix of students from at least two year levels with a maximum of four students from any one year.

Teams in the Secondary Division must be a mix of students from at least two year levels (up to and including Year 10) with a minimum of two students from Year 7, and a maximum of four students from any one year.

A mixed primary and secondary team (Middle School) may compete in the Secondary division.

## THE TOURNAMENTS

The Regional Tournaments will be held late August 2018 at four metropolitan and two coastal venues.

The winning teams from all QLD Regions, in each division of each Challenge, will be invited to participate in the Queensland Branch Final, to be held on Sunday 9 September at Bond University, Gold Coast.

The eight winning teams from the Branch Final will be invited to participate in the Inaugural TOM International Final where they will compete against other Australian and International teams.



Tournament of Minds looks beyond academic achievement and understands that the pursuit of excellence knows no boundaries. Working in teams, effective problem-solving, thinking outside the square and the use of technology are values that employers are searching for in the employee of tomorrow.



Thousands of parents, educators and interested public flock annually to watch and enjoy the exhilarating spectacle of the presentations and

the ingenious solutions created by motivated students who have accepted the Tournament Challenge.

 Our program requires creative, collaborative and divergent thinkers.

ARE YOUR STUDENTS
READY TO ACCEPT
THE CHALLENGE TOM
HAS TO OFFER?

