

## 2024 QMEA-WIMARQ GIRLS Mentoring Program

The QMEA-WIMARQ Girls in Resources Leadership Skills (GIRLS) Mentoring Program is open to female students who will be in year 12 in 2024, at a QMEA network school, and have an interest in pursuing a career in the Queensland resources sector.

Successful applicants will be mentored by a resources industry professional who is specifically matched to them. This program provides numerous opportunities for participants to make connections with industry and open career pathways into the resources sector.

The program runs from March 2024 to August 2024. It includes a trip to Brisbane for the program launch and to attend the QRC International Women's Day function, specific mentoring program training, networking opportunities with industry, 5-6 one-hour mentoring sessions and a second trip to Brisbane for the program finale.

### How to Apply

1. Must be a female student currently in year 11 at a QMEA school.
2. Obtain a digital copy of the signed and completed endorsement form.
3. Prepare a 200-word statement outlining 'why you think you should be considered for this program'.
4. Prepare a 200-word statement outlining 'how you think you will benefit from taking part in this mentoring program'.
5. Complete the online application form in one sitting before 5pm Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023. (<https://qmea.org.au/girls-mentoring>)

### Program Details

- A limited number of positions will be offered for this program.
- Selection process involves multiple stages before a final 'Letter of Offer' is emailed to successful applicants. Estimated to be by end of November/early December 2023.
- All participants will be required to attend the program launch and the program finale in Brisbane, allowances will be made for clashes with school commitments if necessary.
- The launch trip will be from 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and the finale will be in August 2024, with dates tbc.
- Mentees will be provided a ticket to attend the Queensland Resources Council International Women's Day celebration in Brisbane on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March.
- QMEA will organise and pay for flights to and from Brisbane and participants' closest airport, if not living in SEQ.
- Participants' food and accommodation will be provided and paid for while in Brisbane for the program launch and finale.



## 2024 QMEA-WIMARQ GIRLS Mentoring Program Teacher Endorsement Form

The QMEA-WIMARQ GIRLS Mentoring Program provides encouragement and mentoring support for female year-12 students interested in exploring careers in the resources and related sectors. Students are mentored by resources industry professionals who are matched to specifically to them. The program provides numerous opportunities for participants to make connections with industry and open career pathways.

### Student Acknowledgement

*(Please tick the following to accept and acknowledge)*

- After the launch and training session in March, this program requires 5-6 one-hour mentoring sessions over the six-month program period.
- Participants are required to promptly respond to regular communication with their mentor, the program delivery partner, Metisphere, and QMEA.

### Teacher Endorsement

I, \_\_\_\_\_ have known \_\_\_\_\_  
as a student at \_\_\_\_\_ (school)  
in my position as \_\_\_\_\_.

I thoroughly endorse \_\_\_\_\_'s application for the 2024 QMEA-WIMARQ GIRLS Mentoring Program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Endorsing Teacher's Signature)

|                  | Principal | QMEA Key Teacher | Parent/Guardian | Student |
|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|---------|
| <b>Name</b>      |           |                  |                 |         |
| <b>Signature</b> |           |                  |                 |         |
| <b>Date</b>      |           |                  |                 |         |

Please scan and upload this form and complete the online application form by  
5pm Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (<https://qmea.org.au/girls-mentoring>)