



Hospitality Training Association Inc.
Celebrating 20 years of service to the hospitality industry



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Program has High School Students Cooking with Gas

The Hospitality Training Association Inc. (HTA) and Restaurant & Catering Queensland (RCQ) have partnered to provide part-time employment opportunities to high school students currently undertaking years ten, eleven or twelve studies.

Designed to address the skills shortage in the Hospitality and Tourism Industry, participants can utilise the Futures Program as a stepping stone to higher education, apprenticeships or full-time employment.

A key benefit of the program, HTA will fully fund the student's wages for one shift per week for up to six months – at no cost to the restaurateur. Students participating in the program also attend up to three weeks training at HTA during school holidays to enhance their skill development, all whilst working towards nationally recognised training competencies.

As the keystone economic contributor to the economy, the fastest growing industry in Queensland and a thriving source for jobs, students considering their options are being encouraged to look to the Tourism and Hospitality industry to fulfil their career aspirations. According to HTA CEO, Phillip Charlton, undertaking of formal training and education within the tourism and hospitality industry provides students with job security, portability and financial stability for the future.

“The Futures Program contributes to the development of young persons allowing them to mature within a business environment and be exposed to the realities and expectations of the industry and the workforce.

“This program is a win-win for the industry and the students; with restaurateurs able to fill skills gaps and students have the opportunity to learn in a supportive, exciting and challenging work environment,” said Mr Charlton.



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Restaurateurs can express their interest in the program and request a part-time employee through RCQ. Interviewing, selection and placement of students will occur through HTA who work directly with the schools and actively monitor the student's welfare, progression of training and working environment.

If you would like to participate in the program as a student, school or restaurateur please contact the Hospitality Training Association (HTA) on 3872 4200.

The Hospitality Training Association Inc. (HTA) is a non-profit organisation that has been serving the needs of the Hospitality industry for over twenty years. As Queensland's largest employer of apprentice chefs, HTA is able to draw on its strong local and international networks to provide employment opportunities to students.

Formed in 1946, Restaurant & Catering Queensland is a not-for-profit industry peak association made up of food service businesses solely for the purpose of protecting and serving the interests of the industry and the viability and profitability of those enterprises operating within the industry.

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