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ATAR RESULTS RELEASED TODAY - 36 STUDENTS RECEIVE TOP ATAR OF 99.95

Excitement, joy, anticipation, butterflies and, of course, the odd viral TikTok.

They've all been part of the final countdown for Queensland Year 12 graduates, who today cap off a 13-year education journey with the release of their Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).

From the city and coast to the country and outback, the sense of excitement is palpable, as Queensland graduates receive their ATAR via the Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) portal.

Joining them in celebration is Chris Veraa, who is delighting in his first ATAR release as Interim CEO of QTAC.

"The release of ATARs is such a huge milestone for our young people, and I'm incredibly excited to share it with them," Mr Veraa said.

"It's that final moment that caps off all the hard work of school; encouraging the graduates to look back with huge pride on what they've achieved and look forward with excitement to what comes next."

He urged them to bask in the joy of the moment with their friends and fellow graduates, as well as the loved ones and educators who have been so central to their education.

"For everyone here at QTAC, part of the extra joy of today is knowing that it's a celebration for our young people, but also for their families and school communities," he said.

"From parents and grandparents to carers and teachers, they've been there every step of the way, supporting and encouraging the graduates and helping them think about how to navigate into the next stage of life.

"It's a wonderful moment of celebration for everything they've done."

All up, 28,845 graduates are today receiving an ATAR, with 36 achieving the top ATAR of 99.95.

From a Queensland Year 12 school cohort of 55,469, more than 51% are receiving an ATAR. More than 25% of eligible students are receiving an ATAR of 90 or above.

To access their ranking, students need to register for the QTAC ATAR Portal at qtac.edu.au.

QTAC Chief Experience Head Chris Jack strongly encouraged students who didn't receive the ATAR they were hoping for to talk to QTAC about available options.

"If you want to pursue tertiary study, we can help you explore the multiple pathways to make that happen," Mr Jack said.

"That can begin with your ATAR.

"Our Educational Access Scheme provides opportunities for additional ranks where graduates have been impacted by personal challenges such as health or their personal life.



"We also have other pathways that range from mid-semester intakes to non-ATAR pathways."

"QTAC is about connecting people with opportunities for tertiary study, so we strongly encourage graduates to talk with our contact centre team to explore all of their different possibilities.

"If they want to pursue tertiary study, we're here to support them."

With QTAC due to release a large number of tertiary offers on Monday 23 December, graduates have until Wednesday 18 December to update their preferences.

The QTAC contact centre phone number is 1300 467 822.

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ABOUT QTAC

The Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) operates a centralised tertiary application service for 16 higher education providers in Queensland and Northern New South Wales, across both undergraduate and postgraduate admissions. QTAC has been providing potential students and education institutions, employers and governments with the opportunity to connect and create long lasting productive relationships over the past 40 years, by delivering a range of education opportunities.