



HAVERGAL COLLEGE

Education

Preparing young women to make a difference



What does it take to become a woman who *makes a difference?*

It takes a school grounded in the principles of a liberal arts education, committed to a culture of thinking and understanding, and uniquely positioned to respond to student needs. In that context, a girl develops independence of thought, emotional resilience and intellectual agility: everything she needs to make her mark.

A Liberal Arts Foundation



Havergal College offers a strong liberal arts education which is broad and diverse rather than narrow and specialized. This foundation fosters an attitude of inquiry and a mind open to new ideas and varied perspectives. We prepare girls for a life of independence and impact by asking them to grapple with difficult questions and then act on proposed answers.

A liberal arts education cultivates the curiosity and collaborative mindset that a rapidly-changing world demands. It also promotes the leadership qualities most needed in this unpredictable global context: adaptability, innovation, courage, comfort with ambiguity and willingness to alter the status quo. This is the liberal arts student. This is the Havergal graduate. ■

A Culture of Thinking



Our decisions about teaching and learning are informed by the best research-based practices in the world. In particular, we work with the ideas of Teaching for Understanding as well as the ideas of the Culture of Thinking Project at Harvard.

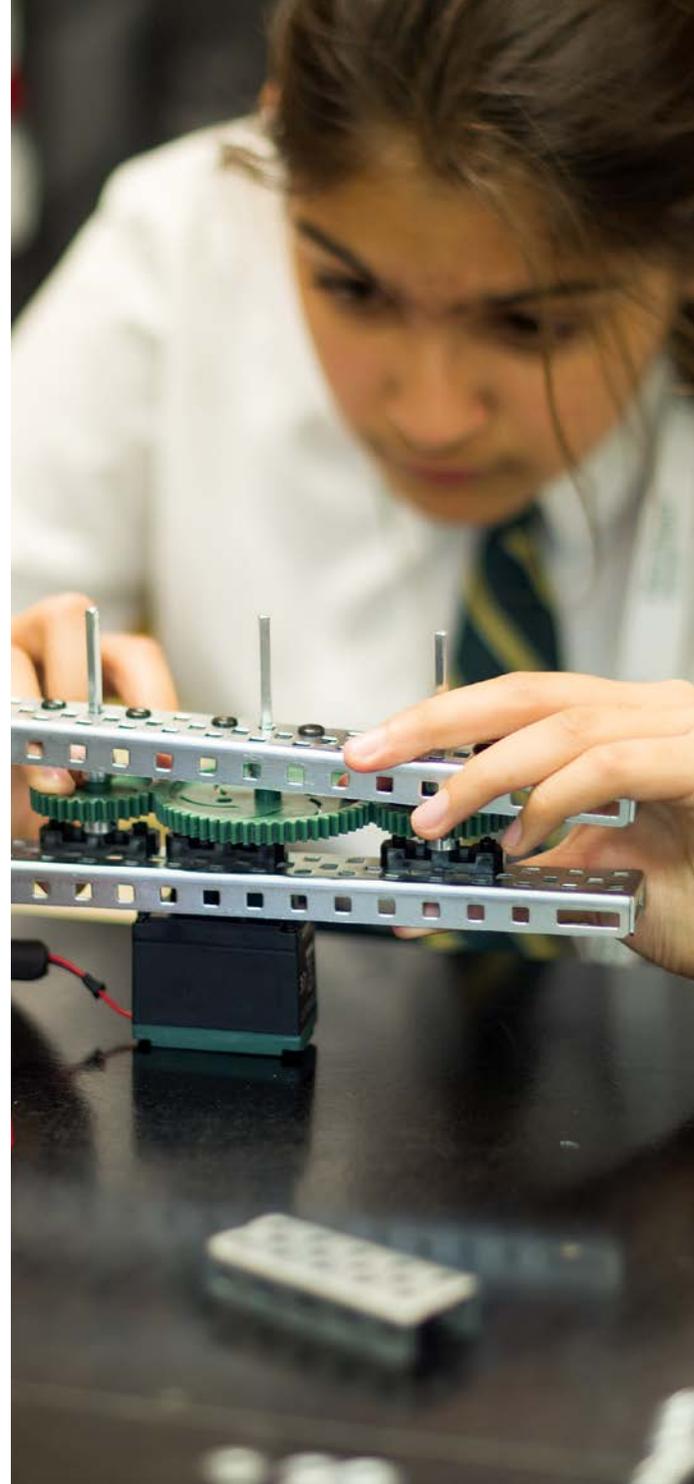
At Havergal, critical thinking and learning to gain understanding are valued, visible and actively promoted. With their knowledge and skills, students initiate authentic, real-world learning. They reach out to their communities. They become critical consumers of ideas and have a voice in shaping their environment. They develop an attitude of inquiry that motivates change and growth. In a culture of thinking and understanding, teachers and students continually explore and reinvent learning. ■

A Unique Approach to Education



Havergal offers a unique education based on leading instructional models and tailored to the learning needs of our students. Our fluid and adaptive program allows us to select those approaches that best serve our students while reflecting our core values of integrity, inquiry, compassion and courage. We continually assess highly-regarded educational frameworks and integrate their best elements into our approach.

Our key educational strategies of guided inquiry, increasing self-direction and project-based learning spark discovery, foster resourcefulness and encourage cross-disciplinary thinking. As research in child development and education advances, our fluid and adaptive educational program allows us to select those approaches that best serve the learning needs of our students. ■





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