

Year 10, 2017

Information for Parents and Students

The move from Year 9 into Year 10 is a significant one and options for study at Year 10 need to be considered with careful planning.

In Year 10, students have 4 main options available to them for the way they structure their working week.

1. **“Standard Year 10”** – students can spend 5 days a week at school completing Year 10 units of study and select their art/technology units as they have previously done in Year 9. All students study core units of Mathematics, English, Science, SOSE (choice available) and Health & PE. Students then elect their art, technology and or sport subjects as shown on the **selection sheet**.

Students wishing to follow this option need to tick the first box and complete Section A on the course selection sheet.

The following options (accelerated learning, workplace mentoring & school based apprenticeships) are all subject to approval. The College will consult with the relevant staff in those learning areas, to ensure that the choice made by students will have the best chance of a successful outcome. Past performance, work ethic, attendance, punctuality, etc will be considered.

2. **“Accelerated Learning”** – students can spend 5 days a week at school and can complete core units within the Year 10 program. However, they may choose to study a VCE (Year 11) unit then study a Year 12 Unit the following year (2018). The advantages of this are that they have an additional unit to count towards their ATAR score for university entrance when completing Year 12. Perhaps the greatest advantage is that they have the opportunity of doing a Year 12 unit a year early, and are then more prepared for the demands of a Year 12 subject and the workload expected to achieve well at this level. Possible studies available for 2017 are listed on the **selection sheet**. “VET Units” are also an option. Students can spend 5 days a week at school, although one of those days would be spent studying their VET subject. A VET subject is a nationally recognized TAFE certificate that is delivered by qualified instructors at school. The VET subjects available for 2017 are Building & Construction, Engineering, Hospitality, Hairdressing, Beauty and Sport and Recreation

Students wishing to follow this option need to tick the second box and complete Section A and B on the course selection sheet.

3. **“Workplace Mentoring Program”** – students can spend 4 days a week at school and 1 day a week in the workplace. Their employer acts as a mentor and provides the students with structured tasks within the workplace as well as advice regarding the skills, education and qualifications required to work in this industry area. The advantages of this program are that students get to try a particular workplace(s) in order to assist in career selection. Many students gain part time employment from this, and many have been offered apprenticeships, traineeships or school based apprenticeships from this structured work placement program.

Students wishing to follow this option need to tick the third box and complete Section A and C on the course selection sheet.

4. **“School Based Apprenticeship”** – students can spend 4 days a week at school and 1 day a week with an employer completing a school based apprenticeship part time. These are available in a range of negotiated areas. The school based apprenticeship provides students with a qualification that can also count towards their VCE or VCAL in Years 11 & 12. They are paid an apprenticeship wage and sign up with an employer, group training company and a TAFE or RTO provider. Students who then go on to a full time apprenticeship in the same field, can gain credit for units of competence already achieved, thus taking time off their apprenticeship. This option depends upon an employer being willing to be involved in this program. In many cases, students commence with a work placement and this can often lead to a school based apprenticeship.

Students wishing to follow this option need to tick the third box and complete Section A and C on the course selection sheet.

Any questions from families regarding the above information can be directed to the school. Any of the following people would be happy to speak with you.

Principal	Damien Keel
Campus Principal	Jo McCarthy
Year 9 Coordinator	Allison Knight
Year 10 Coordinator	Jeremey O’Brien
Year 11 Coordinator	Donna Taylor
Year 12 Coordinator	Chris O’Neill
9-12 Leaders	David Rose or Alistair Angwin
Pathways Leader	Rachel Guppy



COURSE SELECTION

YEAR 10 - 2017

NAME		FORM	
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Please complete this course selection in conjunction with the course selection guide provided.

I plan to study the following course in Year 10 at Yarrowonga College P-12 in 2017

- Standard Year 10 Pathway **(complete section A only)**
- Accelerated Learning Pathway **(complete section A and B)**
- Work Place Mentoring Program **or** School based apprenticeship **(complete section A and C)**
- I will not be returning to Yarrowonga College P-12 in 2017

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SECTION A

SOSE - If completing work place mentoring or a school based apprenticeship you **MUST** select Commerce-Work Placement **ONLY**. Otherwise, choose Commerce and one of Geography or History.

Geography	
History	
Commerce	
Commerce – Work Placement	

Art / Technology / Sport - Please read the descriptions of the units listed below in the 'Course Selection Guide – Year 10' provided and number your preferences from 1 to 11.

	Preference
Art	
Drama	
Home Economics	
Information Technology	
Media Studies	
Metalwork	
Music	
Textiles	
Visual Communication	
Woodwork	
Sport Ed	

The following VCE subjects **may** be available for Year 10 students to apply for.
 For information / descriptions of these units see the 'Course Selection Guide – Year 10'.

Accounting	Business Man	Biology	Computing	Drama
Food Technology	Geography	History	Health & HD	Legal Studies
Literature	Media Studies	Outdoor Ed	Music (VET)	Politics
Phys Ed	Psychology	Studio Arts	Textiles	Visual Comm

Please indicate your preferences:

1st preference: _____

2nd preference: _____

Or

I am interested in studying a VET subject one day per week in 2017. Please tick the subject you would be interested in studying:

- Allied Health Building and Construction Beauty
 Engineering Hairdressing Hospitality
 Sport and Recreation

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SECTION C

If selecting work placement or a School based apprenticeship make sure that you have selected Commerce – work placement.

Please tick one of the following:

- Work Placement OR School Based Apprenticeship

Area of Interest: _____

Possible Employer: _____

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Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return to the 9/10 Coordinator's Office by Friday 12th of August

COURSE SELECTION SHEETS WILL BE PROCESSED STRICTLY IN ORDER OF RECEIPT.