

Year 10, 2025

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, Humanities 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 (2026). 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 2025 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. The VET subjects available through the College for 2025 include Allied Health, Building & Construction, Engineering, Hospitality and Music Industry (Performance). Other courses may be available through alternate providers such as TAFE.

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 the relevant 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 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	Tom McKimmie
Year 10 Coordinator	Brooke McDougall
Year 11 Coordinator	Anna Beex
Year 12 Coordinator	Sophie Pattison
9-12 Leaders	Chris O’Neill or Alistair Angwin
Pathways Leader	Jack Sutherland



COURSE SELECTION
YEAR 10 - 2025

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 Yarrawonga College P-12 in 2025

- 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 Yarrawonga College P-12 in 2025

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SECTION A

Art / Technology / PE - Please number the units listed below, according to your preference, from 1 to 11, with 1 most preferred. Descriptions of these units see the 'Course Selection Guide – Year 10'.

	Preference
Art	
Drama	
Food Technology	
Information Technology	
Media Studies	
Metalwork	
Music	
Advanced PE	
Textiles	
Visual Communication	
Woodwork	

SECTION B

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	Art	Business	Biology	Computing
Drama	Food Studies	Geography	History	Health & HD
Legal Studies	Literature	Media Studies	Music (VET)	Outdoor Ed
Phys Ed	Psychology	Physics	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 2025. Please tick the subject you would be interested in studying:

- Allied Health Building and Construction
 Engineering Hospitality Other (Check TAFE offerings)

Please Specify: _____

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SECTION C

If selecting work placement or a School based apprenticeship students need to undertake Commerce – Work rather than the standard Year 10 Humanities .

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 23rd of August

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