

# Your world. Your VCE.

## Yarrowonga College P-12

Study options for  
Years 11 and 12 in 2025

**Your world.**  
**Your VCE.**



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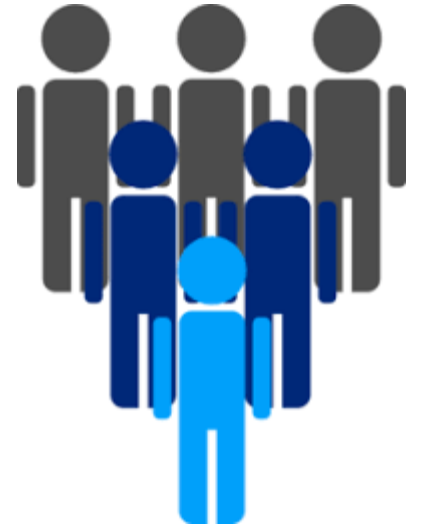
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## Welcome

### Year 11 at YCP-12 in 2025

- ❖ VCE Programs
- ❖ VET studies
- ❖ Assessment
- ❖ Expectations
- ❖ Course and subject selection process

## Questions



# YCP12 Senior Team

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**Yr 12 Coordinator – Sophie Pattison**

**Yr 11 Coordinator – Anna Beex**

**Yr 10 Coordinator – Brooke McDougall**

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**Careers & Pathways Leader – Jack Sutherland**



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# More possibilities in Year 11 and 12

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Senior secondary education in Victoria has changed.

Students have more options, including:

- The VCE, as we have known it
- The new VCE Vocational Major program
- More vocational education and training (VET) options

Every student can choose a Year 11 and 12 pathway that supports their goals.

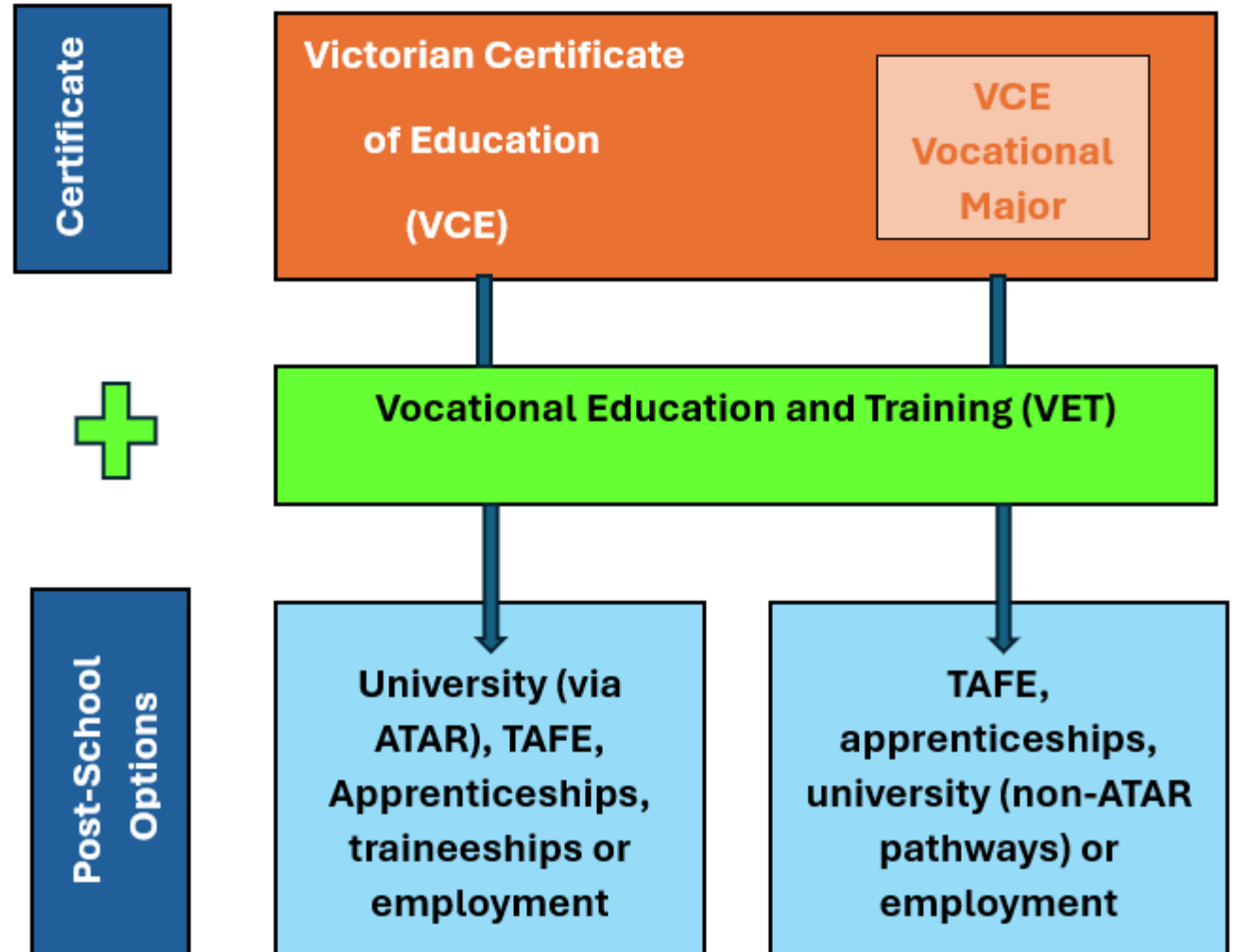


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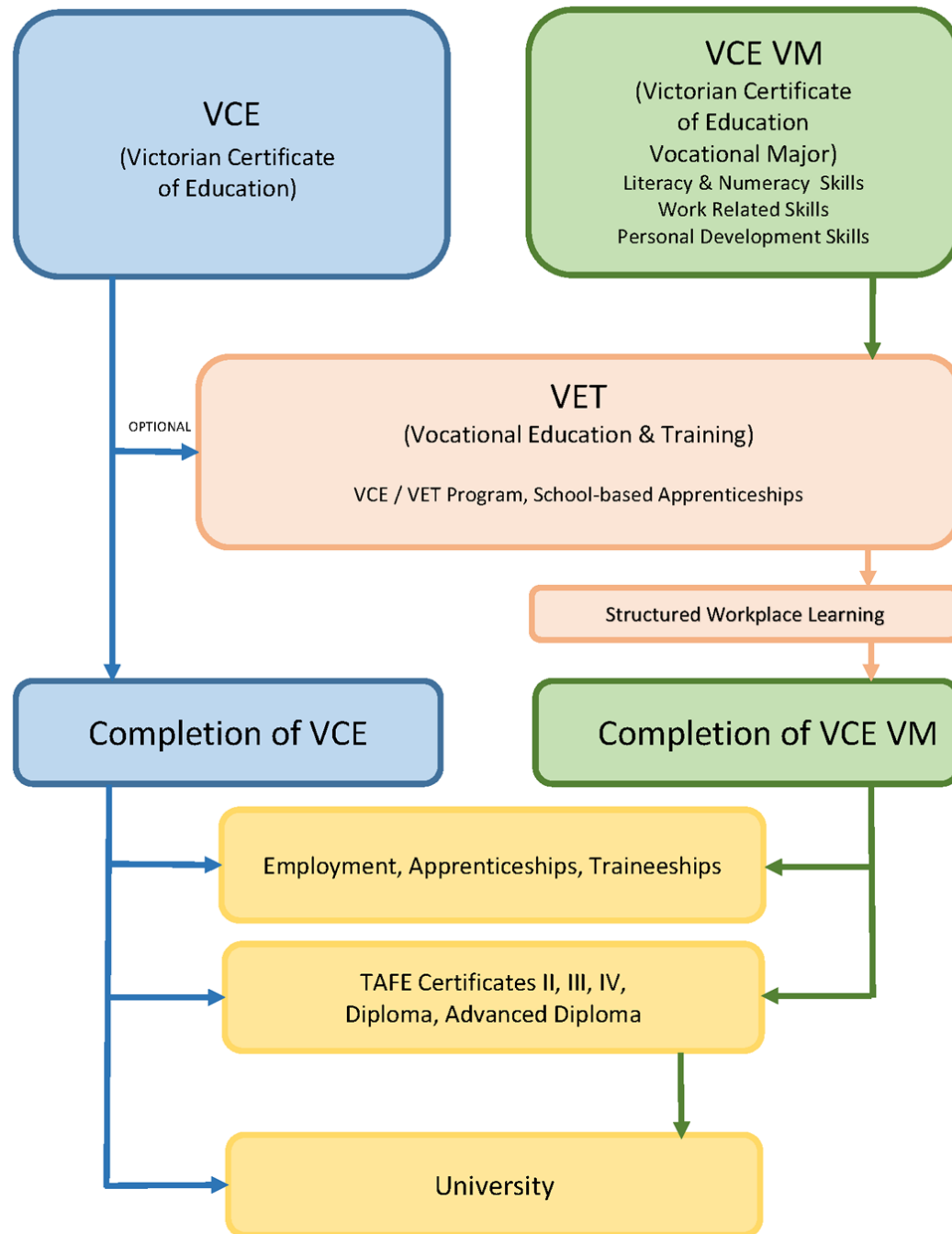
# Your options

- All students will study a VCE certificate
- VCE Vocational Major is a program within the VCE
- Any student can include VET
- Think about your interests and goals to make your choice



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# Senior School Options for 2025

# VCE or VCE-VM?

## Making the Decision

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- ❖ Intended pathway after school – employment, apprenticeship, traineeship OR TAFE OR University
- ❖ The subjects they enjoy and want to study in Year 11
- ❖ The type of learning they prefer – hands on applied learning or traditional
- ❖ If they want to include work placement AND a TAFE course into their program

***If a student wishes to change their course, changes can take place at the changeover point from unit 1 to 2 in the first year or at the end of their first year. Due to the requirements to complete 3 / 4 sequences course changes are usually not possible in the final year.***

# VCE & VCE-VM

**Victorian Certificate of Education**

**Victorian Certificate of Education – Vocational Major**





# VCE & VCE-VM

It is critical that we understand the requirements of successfully gaining a Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE & VCE-VM). Both programs have similar requirements and to achieve the certificates students must pass their subjects!

## VCE & VCE-VM minimum requirements

The satisfactory completion of 16 units, which must include:

- Three units from the English group, including a 3-4 sequence
- At least three other sequences of Unit 3-4 studies
- Within the VCE-VM, enrolment in a Vocational Education & Training (VET) Cert II (or above) is compulsory

# VCE & VCE- VM Victorian Certificate of Education – Vocational Major

Both programs (VCE & VCE-VM) are undertaken over a minimum of 2 years

- Year 11 Unit 1 and Unit 2
- Year 12 Unit 3 and Unit 4

A Unit is one semester of work

Each Unit of work has learning outcomes.

*Students must obtain an S for every Learning Outcome within a unit to achieve an S overall for that unit. This means completing all the work provided in class and all assessments tasks to a satisfactory level.*

There is an 90% attendance requirement for VCE and VCE-VM at Yarrowonga College P-12

***VCE provides the opportunity to gain an ATAR ranking which may meet the immediate entry requirements for University. VCE VM does not meet the immediate entry requirements for University and does not provide an ATAR ranking***

# VCE & VCE-VM Expectations

*Homework – VCE students will need to do around 10-12+ hours of homework and study each week. VCE-VM students may also need to do some homework.*

*Attendance – 90% attendance expectation. When a student is absent, you MUST catch up on the missed work and complete an attendance redemption – see your teacher*

*GAT for any student studying a Unit 3/4 study*

*Positive role model*

# VCE in detail

VCE (Victorian Certificate of Education)

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# VCE

## UNIT 1 & 2 STUDIES

Accounting  
Art Creative Practice  
Biology  
Business Management  
Chemistry  
Applied Computing  
Drama  
English  
Food Studies  
Geography  
Health & Human Development  
History  
Legal Studies  
Literacy (VCE VM)  
Literature  
Maths – General Mathematics  
Maths – Mathematical Methods  
Maths – Specialist Mathematics  
Numeracy (VCE VM)  
Media  
Outdoor & Environmental Studies  
Personal Development Skills  
Physical Education  
Physics  
Product Design and Technology (Textiles)  
Psychology  
Visual Communication & Design  
Work Related Skills

# The VCE Curriculum

*Large range of subjects to choose from (see course selection sheet)*

*Option of including VET a subject*

*English (or Literature) is the only compulsory subject*

*Expected to study 5 other subjects (6 in total in Year 11)*

*Must pass at least 3 English studies, including 3&4 English*

*Must pass 3 other 3&4 sequences*

*Allows students to gain an ATAR required for Uni entrance*

*Minimum of 90% attendance requirement*

*Students are at school 5 days per week\* and must catch up on any missed work*

# Studying a Year 12 subject in Year 11

## Advantages include:

*Experience of workload and demands in Units 3 & 4 (Yr 12)*

*Assessment process, including School Assessed Coursework (SACs), GAT and Examinations*

*Counts towards a student's ATAR for Year 12*

*Students who are currently studying a Year 11 unit should continue with this study next year.*

*\*\*Need to have completed a Year 11 Unit whilst in Year 10*

# VCE

## Assessment in VCE

Students are assessed as 'S' satisfactory or 'N' Not satisfactory in each Unit 1 or 2 study completed (Year 11)

In Units 3 and 4 (Year 12) there are two levels of assessment:

- 'S' or 'N' for each unit
- Study score for each unit from SACs & exams
- Study score contributes to the ATAR

Students in Year 12 will sit all components of the GAT

In order for students to progress into Year 12 they must have "passed" sufficient units in Year 11

# VCE VM in detail

VCE (Vocational Major)

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# VCE-VM

## VCE-Vocational Major

# The VCE-VM Curriculum

VCE-VM is a pathway to completing your senior education. It includes applied learning pedagogy.

Five **areas** of study :

1. Literacy
2. Numeracy
3. Work Related Skills
4. Personal Development
5. VET



# VCE-VM

# VCE-Vocational Major

## The VCE-VM Curriculum

To be awarded the VCE by following the requirements of the **VCE-VM**, a student must successfully complete at least 16 units:

- 3 **Literacy** (or VCE English) units (including a Unit 3 and 4 sequence)
- 3 other Unit 3 and 4 sequences in total
- Two **Numeracy** (or VCE Maths units)
- Two **Work Related Skills** units
- Two **Personal Development Skills** Units
- 180 nominal hours of **VET** at Cert II level or above

***VCE VM does not meet the immediate entry requirements for many University courses, and does not provide an ATAR ranking***

## VCE-VM

## VCE-Vocational Major

# What will a VCE-VM program look like?

- ❖ *Students must study Literacy, Numeracy, Work Related Skills, Personal Development and a VET /TAFE subject.*
- ❖ *Extra VCE studies may be negotiated*
- ❖ *Have a choice about the VET/TAFE unit they study*
- ❖ *Students will spend 3 days a week at school studying literacy, numeracy, work related skills and personal development*
- ❖ *Students will spend 1 day doing their VET subject*
- ❖ *Students will spend 1 day completing work placement*

## VCE-VM

## VCE-Vocational Major

### Assessment in VCE-VM

Students are assessed as 'S' satisfactory or 'N' Not satisfactory in each unit completed in both Year 11 and Year 12.

Students gain an "S" by completing all the work and tasks provided by the due date.

Students in Year 12 will sit the literacy and numeracy components of the GAT

Students WILL NOT sit exams and do not get an ATAR

In order for students to progress into Year 12 they must have "passed" sufficient units in Year 11.

# VET in Schools

Vocational Education and  
Training

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# VET in schools



Vocational Education and Training

Nationally recognised certificates (Cert II or Cert III)

Integrated into VCE (**optional**) and VCE VM programs (**compulsory**)

May contribute to your ATAR – *please check*

# VET Programs offered at YCP12 in 2024

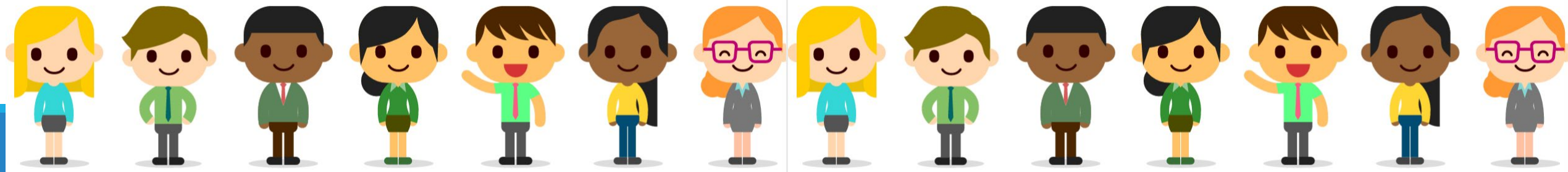
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- Building and Construction
- Engineering
- Hospitality
- Music Industry (Performance)
- Allied Health\* (partnership with Sacred Heart College)
- Ag Schools Program through Wodonga TAFE
- Other VET programs through GO TAFE Wangaratta, Shepparton and Benalla

# VET Programs offered at GO TAFE in 2025

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- Agriculture (Shepp only)
- Animal Studies (online + compulsory workshops in Wangaratta)
- Art and Design
- Automotive
- Business (online)
- Certificate III in Makeup
- Community Services (Shepp only)
- Cert II in Cookery
- Early Childhood Education
- Education Support
- Electrical (pre-entry test)
- Engineering
- Equine Studies (online + compulsory workshops in Wangaratta)
- Hairdressing
- Cert III in Information Technology
- Plumbing (pre-entry test)





# VETDSS @ GO TAFE

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**Two-year** commitment

**Every Wednesday** (9am-3:20pm)

**Delivery Locations:** Shepparton, Wangaratta, Benalla

**Transport – own OR bus to Wang at 7:30am and returns at 5pm**

**Must be 15 – 19 years of age and in Years 10, 11 or 12**

**Materials Fees**

**Tuition fee** approx. \$3000 paid by the school\*\*

**80% attendance rule**

**Progress Reports**

**GOTAFE Student Code of Conduct**

# VETDSS – how do I enrol?

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Speak to your YLC, Mr O'Neill, Mr Sutherland or Mrs McCarthy at school **first** to discuss your preferences and intended pathway...

Submit an expression of interest. These open 1<sup>st</sup> August

Shortlisting, interviews and pre-testing commences in September

- You may have an interview or other requirements in the holidays

If successful, then will receive enrolment form and a link to complete Basic Key Skills Builder test (literacy/numeracy). Need to pass this to be accepted.

Access the course guide and induction booklet via email or on google classroom

**\*\*Places are filled in order of receipt so don't leave it too late!**

# School Based Apprenticeship

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**A School Based Apprenticeship is another option on the course selection sheet  
What does this mean?**

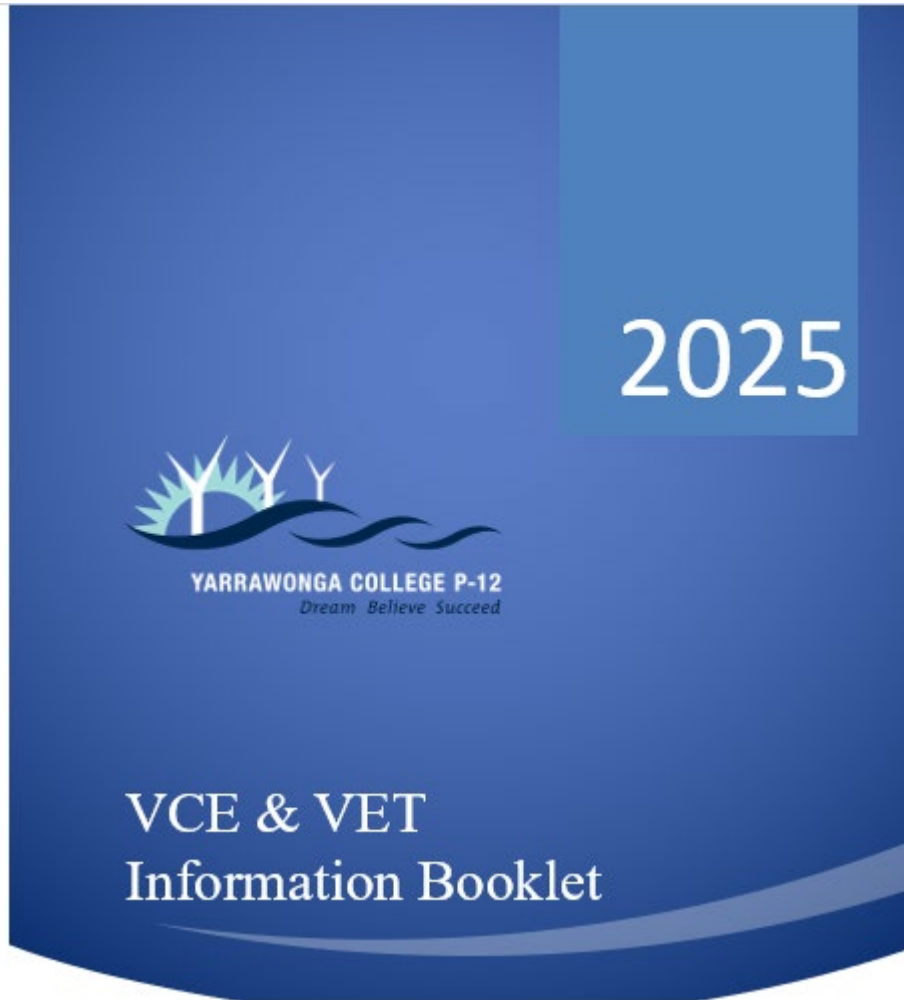
- Starting an apprenticeship earlier
- 2 days per week with the employer
- Organised through a company called “Headstart”
- Need to have an employer already – in most cases you should be doing work placement with this employer
- Involves completing TAFE work and having on-site visits

# COURSE SELECTION



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**How do you do it?**



# Choosing A Course

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Get advice from a range of people before choosing!

- Subject Teachers, Pathways Teachers, Senior Staff, Careers Counsellors, Staff, Parents..
- Read each [unit description](#) to see what the unit is about
- Find out about Outcomes & Assessment
- Talk to teachers about what's involved
- Decide between VCE and VCE-VM

Ensure you  
select a course  
and subjects  
that ...

You enjoy, are good at and find interesting

Enable you to work to your strengths

Reflect what you are interested in studying/doing at tertiary level/post schooling

Meet tertiary entry pre-requisites

Are your choice and not the choice of others

Give you choice later on

# Maths Combinations

Year 11	Year 12
General Maths Units 1 and 2	General Maths Units 3 and 4
General Maths 1&2 + Maths Methods 1&2	General and/or Methods 3 & 4
Maths Methods 1 & 2	General 3 & 4 OR Methods 3 & 4
Maths Methods + Specialist Maths 1&2	Maths Methods 3 & 4
Maths Methods + Specialist Maths 1&2	Maths Methods and Specialist Maths 3 & 4

# Key points re Maths selections

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You cannot do Maths Methods at Year 12 without having completed Year 11 Maths Methods

If you want to Specialist Maths at Year 11 or 12 you **MUST ALSO** do Maths Methods

If you do Maths Methods at Yr 11 and you don't want to continue at Yr 12 then you can do Yr 12 General Maths

If you are strong at Maths then consider scaling.....General Maths is scaled down, Methods and Specialist are scaled up

If you choose to do **THREE** Maths, then only 2 count in the primary four calculation of the ATAR



# Tertiary Entry Prerequisites

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VTAC Course search <https://delta.vtac.edu.au/coursesearch/#/search>

Prerequisites for 2026

## ■ Teaching-Primary

Prerequisites: Units 1 and 2: two units (any study combination) of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: any Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: any English.

## ■ Applied Science/Physiotherapy Practice

Prerequisites: Units 3 and 4: any English; Units 3 and 4: two of Biology, Chemistry, any Mathematics, Physical Education or Physics.

## ■ Medical Imaging

Prerequisites: Units 3 and 4: any English; Units 3 and 4: one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics; Units 3 and 4: one of Maths: Further Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics.

# Course Selection Process

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*Initial course selection booklets and sheets issued (Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July)*

*Course counseling, exploration and assistance in Be Real classes*

*Parent Information night Wed 24/7 TONIGHT!!*

*Student selections due by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August AT THE LATEST – earlier is ok!*

*Students will have an individual appointment time with one of the senior team to discuss mid-year reports, future study options and subject selection. Parents are welcome to attend or organize an alternative meeting time. THIS WEEK for Year 10 students*

*Blockings completed in September – based on preliminary selections*

*Final course confirmation - early Term 4*

# Question & Answer Time

