

12<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**Dear Parent and Guardians** 

## Subject selection for year 9 into year 10 in 2023

As we start the final school term, we would like to share with students and families the details of subject selection for year 10 in 2023. Below are the Term 4 timelines for student selections. In this email you will receive this letter along with the subject selection structure (year 9 into 10 in 2023) and the ISC Junior Secondary Subject Information Handbook 2023.

Students in year 10 will all study:

- English
- Maths
- Certificate II course (nationally recognised training)

Students must select a year-long certificate II course from the following:

- Cert II Applied Digital Technologies
- Cert II Workplace Skills (Business)
- Cert II Creative Industries (Sound and Lighting)
- Cert II Visual Arts
- Cert II Furniture-making
- Cert II Retail Services (including cooking)

In addition to these compulsory subjects and certificate courses, students must choose one semester of science from the following three options:

- Science A: Applied Science Preparation
- Science B: Biology, Marine Science and Physics
- Science C: Chemistry and Physics

Furthermore, students have the choice of selecting three semester-long elective subjects, from:

- Dance
- Digital Technologies
- Drama
- Geography
- History
- Hospitality

- Industrial Skills Metal
- Media Arts
- Music
  - Physical Education
- Psychology
- Recreation Studies

\*students cannot choose both Recreation Studies and Physical Education.

Students will study these elective subjects for one semester each, so it is important students choose subjects that they are interested in from their experience in years 7, 8 and 9. There is a maximum quota for some subjects, especially in Hospitality, Digital Technologies and Industrial Skills - Metal.



Students who have demonstrated an unsatisfactory safety record and/or who have been noncompliant with simple teacher directions may not be allowed to choose some subjects due to the inherent risk involved.

Resource fees are payable for certain subjects. These costs are listed below, as well as detailed in the student information handbook provided with this letter. A failure to pay the resource fees and any unpaid school fees may result in the student not being able to begin/continue in the subject. To arrange a fee payment plan please contact the office between 8.00 am - 4.00 pm on 4078 0222. This should be done prior to your student selecting their subjects.

- Cert II Visual Arts \$50
- Cert II Retail Services \$150
- Cert II Furniture-making \$150
- Industrial Skills Metal \$90
- Hospitality \$100

The schedule for subject selections this term is:

For students:

## Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Student VET & New Subject talks

Curriculum Heads of Department will conduct subject talks on VET certificates and new subjects to all year 9 students at a special parade in lesson 1. They will also be introduced to the Senior Schooling team, who will support them in their studies next year.

## For parents and students:

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Year 7-9 Parent and Student Information Evening** All parents and students of current year 7-9 students are invited to attend an information evening in the library from 5:30 pm.

- Senior schooling and VET explained (for year 9 into 10 students)
- Curriculum Heads of Departments available for questions
- Timelines for selecting subjects

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 9.00 am** – subject selections open, with students responsible for selecting subject in their own time either at school or at home using our One School website.

As this schedule is fairly tight, we encourage you to discuss the subjects with your child using the Junior Secondary Subject Information Handbook 2023. This will help your child decide what to study and helps them to be ready when the subject selection process opens.

Please do not hesitate to phone the college on 4078 0222 or email Sally Hammett – Deputy Principal Junior Secondary <u>sgham0@eq.edu.au</u> if you have any queries.

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