

ORBOST SECONDARY COLLEGE

2021 - Year 11 Subject Selection Information Session

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YEAR 11 & 12 PATHWAYS

VCE –Victorian Certificate of Education

VCAL –Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning

- What is the difference?
- What do I want to do when I finish school?
- Which pathway will I select for the next 2 years?



WHAT IS VCE?

- Minimum 2 years of study, although can be 3 years.
Most Year 10 students have already started studying VCE/VET subjects this year.
- Unit 1 & 2 subjects usually studied at Year 11
- Unit 3 & 4 subjects usually studied at Year 12
- Scores from Unit 3 & 4 subjects count towards ATAR (University entry)
- Main pathway into University.
- University courses often have prerequisites



WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS OF VCE?

Requirement:

- Minimum of 16 units over 2-3 years
- 3 units of English (we recommend 4)
- 3 sequences of unit 3&4 studies other than English
- Obtaining an ATAR requires the completion of an external exam for Unit 3&4 subjects

All VET certificates can be included as unit 3&4 sequence



VCE AT O.S.C

Be aware that at OSC we have introduced a 2 year rotation policy with most of our VCE subjects. This ensures that we have viable numbers at both Units 1&2 and 3&4.

2021	2022
Units 3 and 4	Units 1 and 2
PE	PE
Studio Arts	Studio Arts
Psychology	Psychology
Biology	Biology
Units 1 and 2	Units 3 and 4
Outdoor Ed	Outdoor Ed
Vis Com	Vis Com
Health & Human Development	Health & Human Development



WHAT IS VCAL?

- Applied approach (hands on) to senior studies
- 3 different levels (Foundation, Intermediate and Senior)
- Main pathway into an apprenticeship and full time work



WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS OF VCAL?

Requirements:

- Numeracy
- Literacy
- Personal Development
- Work Related skills (Structured Workplace Learning)
- Minimum of one VET subject



WHAT SKILLS DOES VCAL PROVIDE?

What skills does VCAL provide?

- Employability skills, being job ready
- Real life, hands on skills
- Teamwork
- Independence
- Problem solving



ASSESSMENT IN VCE AND VCAL

VCE – demonstration of the achievement of outcomes through school assessed coursework (SACs), school assessed tasks (SATs) and external exams.

SACs can be: tests, data analysis, written report, oral presentation, visual presentation etc.

SATs are usually presented as portfolios

VCAL – sufficient evidence of learning outcomes through a variety of forms, including: teacher observations, practical tasks, work books, photographs etc



VCE & VCAL EXPECTATIONS AT O.S.C

You're responsible for your own learning

Learn about careers that interest you

Set goals and strive to achieve them



WHAT TO THINK ABOUT

What do I enjoy doing at school?

What do I want to do when I leave school?

Will I continue on with my current pathway?

Don't just do what your mates are doing!

Talk with teachers, family and friends



WHAT IS THE PROCESS FROM HERE

Information provided on Compass

- Senior school handbook, PowerPoint, link to subject selections

Family phone calls to discuss subjects and options for next 2 years

- Bookings available between Monday 24th and Friday 28th August
- Bookings to be made via Compass

Online subject selections

- Link provided on Compass



QUESTIONS