
ORBOST SECONDARY COLLEGE

2022 – YEAR 10 SUBJECT SELECTION INFORMATION SESSION
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WELCOME TO YEAR 10



Our Year 10 program at OSC aims to provide students with:

- A comprehensive academic program through a wide range of subject choices
- Individual pathways
- Flexibility
- The skills and knowledge required for future education and employment

Students will have the opportunity to select from Year 10 core, VCE and VET subjects

SENIOR SCHOOL PATHWAYS



VCE – Victorian Certificate of Education

VCAL – Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning

VET – Vocational Education and Training

- What is the difference?
- What do I want to do when I finish school?
- What will my 3 year pathway look like?

WHAT IS VCE?



- Minimum 2 years of study, although can be 3 years
Year 10 students can start studying VCE/VET subjects
- 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

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
- Skills that VCAL provides include: teamwork, problem solving, hands on and employability skills
- In 2023 changes will be made to merge VCAL and VCE into one certificate, we will keep parents and students up to date with these changes

This pathway is selected when students enter Year 11

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS OF VCAL



Requirements:

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

VCE AND VCAL EXPECTATIONS AT OSC



- You're responsible for your own learning
- Learn about careers that interest you
- Set goals and strive to achieve them
- Workload outside of class will increase

HOW IS VCE/VCAL ACHIEVED AT OSC?



Orbost Secondary College encourages students to adopt a three year approach to senior studies commencing in Year 10.

Where appropriate, we encourage Year 10 students to commence their VCE program, involving the study of a VCE or VET unit/s. *(maximum of 2 VCE and/or VET subjects)*

Orbost Secondary College has introduced a Two Year Rotation Policy in some VCE electives to ensure viable numbers at both Units 1 & 2 and 3 & 4.

HOW IS VCE/VCAL ACHIEVED AT OSC?



| 2022 (Yr 10) | 2023 (Yr 11) | 2024 (Yr 12) |
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| <u>Unit 1 & 2</u> PE Studio Arts Psychology Biology | <u>Unit 1 & 2</u> Outdoor Education Vis Comm Health & Human Development | <u>Unit 1 & 2</u> PE Studio Arts Psychology Biology |
| <u>Unit 3 & 4</u> Outdoor Education Vis Comm Health & Human Development | <u>Unit 3 & 4</u> PE Studio Arts Psychology Biology | <u>Unit 3 & 4</u> Outdoor Education Vis Comm Health & Human Development |

SUBJECTS FOR 2022



| | Line 1 (4 sessions) | Line 2 (4 sessions) | Line 3 (4 sessions) | Line 4 (4 sessions) | Line 5 (4 sessions) |
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| Units 1-2 | | | Physics PE | Biology | Psychology Chem Studio Art |
| VET/VCAL | | | General Construction | Hospitality Engineering Furniture | Auto |
| Year 10 | Maths | English | Science | PD | Humanities |

HOW IS VCE/VCAL ACHIEVED AT OSC?



Year 10 students commencing VCE and/or VET subjects may have to satisfy criteria including

- the availability of places in the VCE class
- recommendations from subject teachers
- the past performances of the student in Year 9
- must have demonstrated an excellent attitude to learning, as shown by their reports
- the career aspirations of the student and any requirements associated with this career

Decisions regarding a student's program will involve the student, staff and parents

WHAT IS THE PROCESS FROM HERE



Information provided to students and parents

- Senior school handbook & course guide, PowerPoint, link to subject selection

Online subject selections

- Link provided on Compass in the coming weeks

Phone calls

- If you require more information or have questions please contact the College

Senior school team to gather subject selections from years 9, 10 and 11 and inform students of subjects for 2022 during term 4