

Subject Selection and Senior Pathways

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Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which this meeting takes place. I would like to pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging for they hold the wisdom, traditions and culture of their people and I acknowledge that they are the custodians of the land and water around us.



Presentation focus:

- Types of subjects
- QCE/QCIA
- ATAR
- External Programs and VETiS



Types of Subjects

- 3 main categories
- General Subjects → ATAR
- Applied/Essential Subjects
- VET → Certificate courses



VETiS Options

- Certificate course studied at school
- Certificate courses studied through an external provider
- School-based Apprenticeships and Traineeship
- VETiS funding
- Applying for external courses
- School approval process



QCIA Eligibility

- Determined case by case by Learning Connections



QCE Requirements

Set amount

20 credits from contributing courses of study, including:

- QCAA-developed subjects or courses
- vocational education and training (VET) qualifications
- non-Queensland studies
- recognised studies.

Set pattern

12 credits from completed Core courses of study and 8 credits from any combination of:

- Core
- Preparatory (maximum 4)
- Complementary (maximum 8).

Set standard

Satisfactory completion, grade of C or better, competency or qualification completion, pass or equivalent.

Literacy & numeracy

Students must meet literacy and numeracy requirements through one of the available learning options.



QCE Summary

- Set amount = 20 Points → Possible 4 points per subject
 - Unit 1 + Unit 2 + Unit 3&4
 - 1 + 1 + 2 = 4
- Set Pattern = Minimum of 12 points from core learning
 - Core = subjects studied for 4 units or Cert II or higher
- Set Standard = C or better or competent in Certificates
- Literacy and Numeracy = must pass at least 1 unit of Maths or English



What is ATAR?

**Primary mechanism used nationally for tertiary admissions
Indicates a student's position relative to other students**

**2,000 point scale from 99.95 down to 0.00
ATARs less than 30.00 will be expressed as *"30 and below"***

Calculated on your best 5 scaled subjects if you are eligible



ATAR Pathway Plan

- Choose at least 5 general subjects
- May also choose an applied or essential subject or
- Choose a Certificate III course or higher
- ATARs are calculated based on a student's five best scaled results
- Students undertaking this pathway will have a focus on academic achievement



Alternative entry to Tertiary Studies – Certificate III or Higher

- Seeking entry to university via a rank by achieving a Certificate III or higher
- Study up to 3 general subjects plus a Certificate III, IV or Diploma
- Research the entry requirements to University and TAFE courses
- Study general subjects to meet university pre-requisites and recommendations



Entry into the TAFE, Apprenticeships and Work

- Should choose a course consisting of predominately Applied, Essential or Certificate courses
- May choose 1 or 2 General subjects that are recommended or align industry
- May also choose courses that require them to be off campus during the school week such as TAFE courses and School Based Apprenticeship or Traineeships
- May have a clash between their course and assessment at Albany Creek SHS



Example 1
Direct entry to University – ATAR

Example 2
Alternative entry to Tertiary Studies – Certificate III or Higher

Example 3
Entry into the TAFE, Apprenticeships and Work

English

Essential English

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Mathematical Methods

General Mathematics

General Mathematics

Accounting

Certificate III Health Support Services

Certificate III Sport and Recreation

Modern History

Visual Arts in Practice

Science in Practice

Chemistry

Health

Engineering Skills

Dance

Sport and Recreation

SAT Certificate III in Carpentry
30% of certificate completed whilst at school



Subject Selection Guidelines

- Investigate each subject fully
- Think **SUCCESS, INTEREST, ENJOYMENT**
- No one program is better – choose subjects according to your individual strengths, needs and goals



Next

- Complete all Essential Skills activities to determine the best pathway for you – accessed via Q Learn
- Make sure you semester 1 results are your best make sure you meet the recommendations
- 2025-26 course guide will be available soon via the school web page
- Complete the SET Plan details and subject selections in Oneschool
- SET Plan interview – Proposed date August 14



ACCESS

Opening Hours



| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|---|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Before School | ACCESS closed All students to go to A Block (Student Counter) for assistance Or go to library at 8:00am to access quiet space | | | | |
| Morning Tea 10:10am – 10:40am | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Book an appointment• General enquiries• Complete a student self-referral form | | | | |
| Lunch Drop-in Sessions (All students welcome) | | | | | |
| Lunch 1:00pm – 1:40pm | Mindfulness GO or Social Worker | AC Light Chaplain | Defence Check-in | Rainbow Plus | First Nations Check-in |



Question Time

