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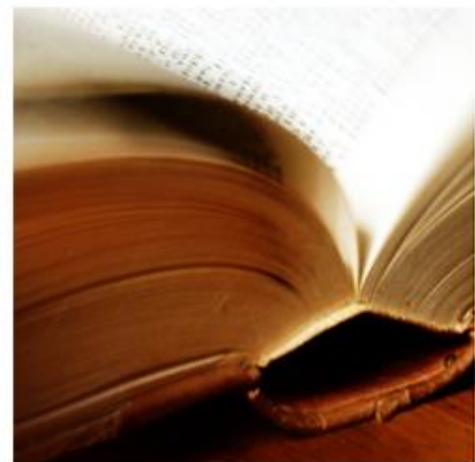
Year 11 & 12

WARRAGUL



REGIONAL
COLLEGE

PARTICIPATION & EXCELLENCE





2025 SENIOR INFORMATION EVENING

Order of Events

6:00 – 8:00 Please join our Curriculum & Pathways expo. Feel free to interact with representatives and seek the further information you require.

Session 2 – Current Year 10 Students & Families

7:00 Arrive. Curriculum and pathways Expo

7:15 Welcome

Aden Wyers
Assistant Principal

7:20 Principal Address

Nicole Pryor
Principal

7:25 Year 11 Course Presentation

Jo Parsons
Year 11&12 Leader

7:45 Closing address

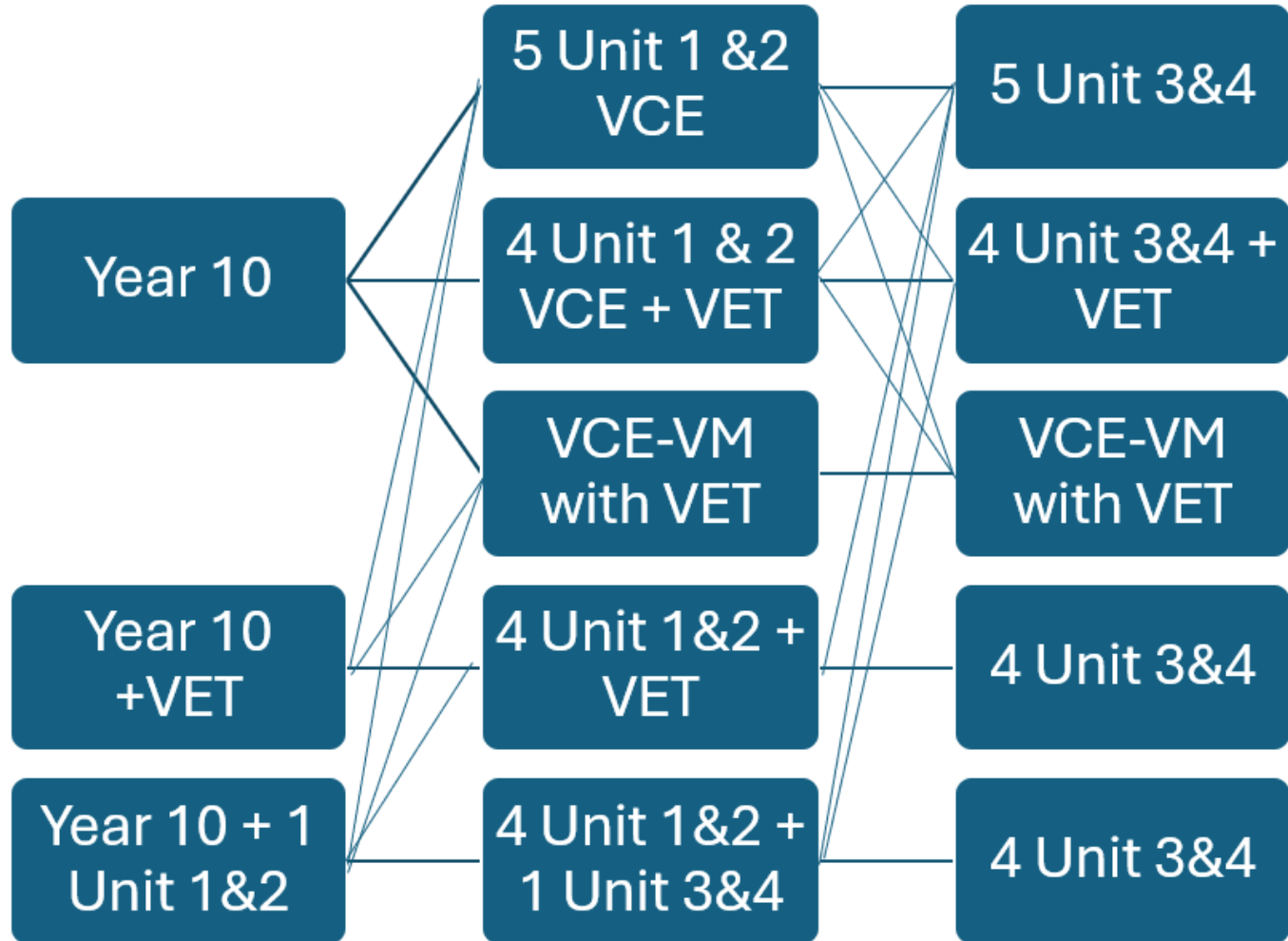
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Principal Address



Nicole Pryor

PATHWAYS AT WRC



Year 10 versus VCE

- Biggest difference you can fail! Without enough units you do not get to continue.
- Homework is essential
- Assessment is predominately supervised
- Cheating can result in failing
- There is always more work/ learning to be done
- You get to pick the subjects you like

Homework Expectations

Year 11	1 hour of homework per subject per week. Mix of teacher directed and student directed work.
Year 12	2 hours of homework per subject per week. Mix of teacher directed and student directed work.

VCE overview – one VCE

- Completed over a minimum of 2 years
- Divided into units
- A Unit is a semester length (2 terms)
- Units 1 & 2 = Equivalent of Year 11
- Units 3 & 4 = Equivalent of Year 12
- Units 3 & 4 must be taken together
- No external prerequisites

To achieve VCE

- Pass 16 units.
- 8 must be Unit 3&4 and must be in a sequence
- 3 from the English group and must include a Unit 3&4 from the English group
- A typical WRC students end up with 20 units (10 in Year 11 and 10 in Year 12)

To pass a unit

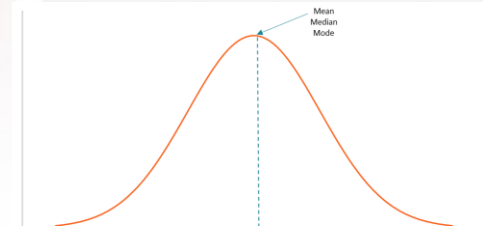
- Each unit usually has 2 or 3 outcomes.
- Must demonstrate all outcomes to pass.
- This can be done in a number of ways:
- Through completing a SAC or SAT
- Through completing your class work, including discussions, set book work other activities
- If you do not meet an outcome, you will be given the opportunity to complete other work to achieve a satisfactory result for the outcome.

What about Grades?

- Your grades in VCE **do not** contribute to you passing or failing. This is based solely on the S/N for the outcomes.
- Grades are an indication of how well you are doing in each unit.
- Year 12 (Units 3&4), the grades are used to help calculate the study score for each subject.
- Unit 1 &2 grades do not contribute to your ATAR
- SAC scores for Unit 3&4 are used to rank students and these are moderated against external exams

What is a study score? Unit 3&4

- Is a number between 0 and 50 that is given to you and based on your performance in each subject compared to the other students studying that subject in Victoria.
- It is a statistical measure based on normal distribution (the bell shaped curve).
 - 0.3% will get a score of 50
 - 2% of students will get a score on or above 45
 - 9% of students will get a score on or above 40
 - 26% of students will get a score on or above 35
 - 53% of students will get a score on or above 30 – this is the average score
 - 78% of students will get a score on or above 25
 - 93% of students will get a score on or above 20





How do I get a Study Score?

- The study score is calculated using your numerical marks from SACs, SATs and the External exam/s.
- Most subjects have 50% of the exam as part of the Study Score calculation and 50% of SACs.
- Some subjects do vary, eg Maths is 66% exams and 34% SACs and Practical subjects can be 30% exam, 50% SAT and 20% SACs
- SAC marks are weighted and statistically moderated against your exam marks and therefore can be adjusted. Therefore it is important for you to do well in exams!

ATAR

- Used for entrance to University, this means that your rank in the state will determine what courses you get into.
- Each course and each University determine the cut off ATAR for entry – it does vary from year to year but the previous year can be a guide.
- For example, to get into Sports Science at Deakin was 70.25 at Burwood, 62 at Geelong, 60.25 at Vic Unit and 72.6 at LaTrobe Bendigo

What is an ATAR?



Like the study score, the ATAR is a ranking of your performance against other students in VCE across the state.



Your study scores are added together using the following formula: English (or Lit) + the scores for your next best 3 subjects + 10% of up to two additional subjects.



The highest study scores in the state will be allocated 99.95 and then everyone will be ranked using the normal distribution (bell shaped curve) just like the study score.

SELECTING VCE UNITS

- Must study a subject from the English Group – English or Literature
- Must study 4 other Unit 1&2 subjects
- Not compulsory however, we encourage every student to study maths
- Choices of units should be based on future career options & likes/strengths
- Check the pre-requisites
- Can pick different subject each semester – but most people will not
- Realise that there are no ‘easy’ options in VCE
- VET units count towards VCE, however not all give Unit 3&4 credit
 - Cert II = Unit 1&2 Cert III = Unit 3&4

English Group

- Can be English or Literature
- Can do both
- Literature = good option for excellent English students achieving AT LEAST 6-12 months ahead at end of year 10
- Literature/English = good combo for passionate and strong English students
- Literature is not recommended as stand alone (unless really strong)

Literature & English

Literature	English
Creative and reflective	Formatting guidelines - TEEL
Stronger reading ability	Need to read books or listen
Reading different styles – plays, poetry etc	Y7-10 program is preparing for this
Designed for very strong English students	Designed for most students

Maths Group

- Foundation Maths
- General Maths
- Math Methods
- Specialist Maths - likely to be Virtual School

Pre-requisites

- Are subjects that universities require a student to study before they will even consider them
- The best place to look for pre-requisites in the vtac guide <https://www.vtac.edu.au/>
- Eg if I want to study arts education at Monash University the pre-requisites are

Year 12 Prerequisite

Compulsory: Units 1 and 2: satisfactory completion in two units (any study combination) of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics or Units 3 and 4: any Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL.

VCE subjects on offer

English Units	Language Units	Maths Units	Health & PE Units
English Literature	Languages (Dist. Ed) <i>(Languages will be offered by Distance Education)</i>	Foundation Maths General Maths Maths Methods Specialist Maths	Health & Human Dev. Outdoor & Enviro Stud \$ Physical Education
Science Units	Humanities Units	Technology Units	The Arts Units
Agriculture & Horticulture Biology Chemistry Physics Psychology	Accounting Ancient History Business Management Economics Geography Legal studies Philosophy	Applied Computing Food Studies \$ Product Design & Technology \$ (wood/metal/textiles)	Art \$ Drama \$ Media \$ Music Performance \$ Studio Art \$ VCD \$

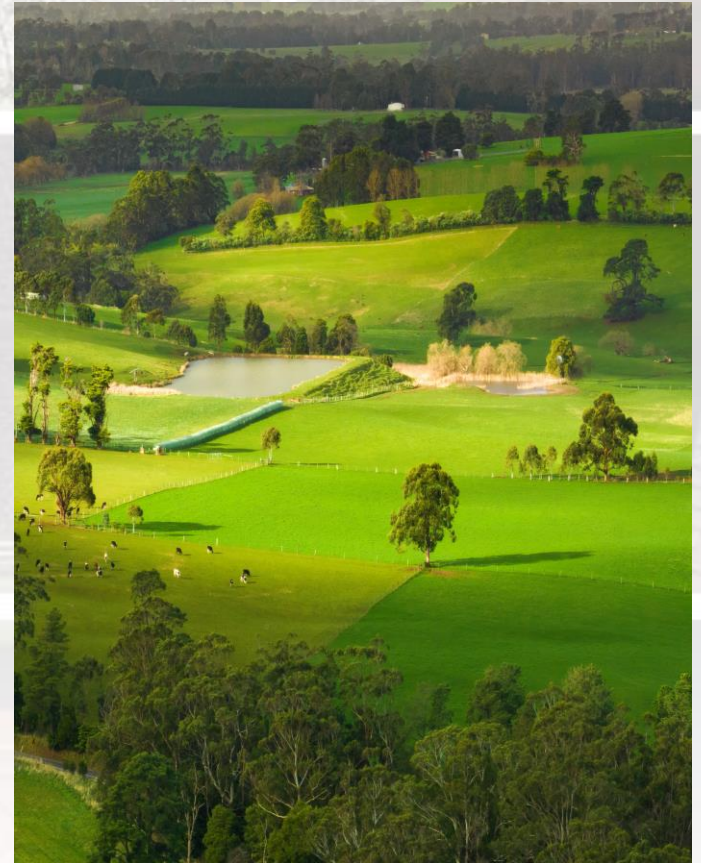
VCE students

Want to study Physics, Politics or Specialist Maths?

Virtual School Victoria's Bellum Bellum Blended Learning Hub in Morwell helps students fulfil their career aspirations by offering a range of specialised subjects and opportunities for students to collaborate with like-minded peers.

The engaging subjects combine face-to-face and virtual lessons and online course materials. All teachers are specialists in their field and in digital learning.

For more information visit
<https://www.vsv.vic.edu.au/regions/bellumbellum/>



Each pathway builds on the learning strengths and aspirations of the student

VCE student



Classroom focus where you:

- build deep knowledge of a subject area
- apply theoretical skills and knowledge through experiments, practical activities.

Add a vocational focus through a VET subject.

VCE Vocational Major student



Applied learning focus where you:

- concentrate on your future through real world learning contexts
- learn in a classroom, the workplace, and community

You'll develop project management skills and an understanding of others.

VCE-VM What is it?

VCE Vocational Major:

- A vocational and applied learning program within the VCE
- Prepare you to move successfully into apprenticeships, traineeships, further education or direct entry into workplaces.
- The VCE VM can be tailored to the needs and interests of the student, to keep them engaged while developing their skills and knowledge.

VCE – VM subjects

- A minimum of 16 units, including:
- 3 VCE VM Literacy or VCE English units (including a Unit 3–4 sequence)
- 2 VCE VM Numeracy or VCE Mathematics units
- 2 VCE VM Work Related Skills units
- 2 VCE VM Personal Development Skills units, and
- 2 VET credits at Certificate II level or above (180 nominal hours)
- Students must complete a minimum of three other Unit 3–4 sequences as part of their program.

VCE-VM at WRC

- Year 11
 - VCE-VM will complete VM Literacy, a VCE Maths, VM Work Related Skills, VM Personal Development Skills and a VCE subject.
 - VET is compulsory for VCE-VM students.
 - Semester 1: 4 days at school, the fifth day is VET (Wednesday)
 - Semester 2: 3 days at school, with a work placement and VET
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- Year 12
 - Unit 3&4 VM Literacy, a VCE Maths, VM Work Related Skills, VM Personal Development Skills .
 - If they have completed the 180 hours of VET 2 days of work placement
 - 3 days at school, with a work placement and VET

Choosing the right pathway

**What do you want
to do after finishing
secondary school?**

**Further study /
work?**

**Don't know yet?
That's ok.**

**Think about your
interests and
strengths.**

**Read the
information
provided**

**Talk to careers
staff / teachers /
parents.**

CAREERS

- Finding out information
- <https://www.vtac.edu.au/>
- <https://myfuture.edu.au/>
- If unsure pick subject that you are interested in and have a range
- Want more advice – make an appointment with the Careers office and speak to Kylie or Kaye
- Ask questions at course counselling

VET ENROLMENT 2025



SELECTION/ENROLMENT PROCESS

VET Delivered to Secondary Students (VETDSS)

- WRC offers students access to a wide variety of VET courses which appeal to different interests and career pathways.
- VET programs can combine with either VCE or VCE VM and provide the opportunity for work experience in the workplace.
- VET certificates take 1 or 2 years to complete.
- VET subjects are delivered in partnership with other schools and training providers.

Training Provider Partners

**TAFE
GIPPSLAND**



BENEFITS OF VET

- Nationally recognised qualifications are developed by industry to give people the knowledge and skills they need to work.
- The courses are 'competency-based' which means you achieve your qualification by demonstrating that you have the knowledge and can perform the skills at the industry standard.
- Some VET courses are 'scored' VET subjects which can contribute to your ATAR by sitting an exam.
- Transferable units e.g. Cert II into a Cert III Apprenticeship
- Can make you more job ready but still keep the University options open.

VET COURSES AVAILABLE IN 2025

HEALTH SERVICES ASSISTANCE	ANIMAL STUDIES	AUTOMOTIVE	BEAUTY
BUILDING	BUSINESS	COMMUNITY SERVICES	CIVIL CONSTRUCTION
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	ELECTRICAL	ENGINEERING	HAIRDRESSING
HOSPITALITY	INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES	COOKERY	AGRICULTURE
PLUMBING	HORTICULTURE	SCREEN & MEDIA	SPORT & REC
MUSIC	PAINTING & DECORATING	BRICKLAYING	CONSERVATION

KEY POINTS YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT VET ENROLMENT

- Your VET studies should be directly relevant to your planned career/study pathway and clearly stated on the VET expression of interest form
- Don't do VET just to see if you like it or because a friend is doing it.
- There is a written/theory component to each VET course that must be passed - no course is all practical!
- Remember completing VET courses is a privilege not a right!

COSTS/TRANSPORT

- Families are responsible for paying for VET uniforms/PPE
- Schools are responsible for the VET tuition fees but some alternative courses may incur costs.
- Families are responsible for getting the student to and from the VET course
- Transport from Moe and Morwell train stations via bus to Tafe Gippsland campuses will be provided to students free of charge.

How to Express Interest in VET for 2025

- Talk to the VET providers here tonight
- Read the VET Handbook and decide if there is a VET course that will support your pathway.
- Submit an expression of interest form- link or handbook
- Students must obtain a Unique Student Identifier (USI)
- All VET applicants will be reviewed by WRC staff and Training Providers to determine suitability
- Attendance at school must be excellent to be eligible to undertake a VET course.

KEY POINTS YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT VET ENROLMENT

- Final confirmation of courses running will be known by mid October.
- 1 day per week, usually Wednesday.
- The Orientation Day for all new VET students is Wednesday 27th November
- Students may withdraw from their VET course prior to the 3rd week of February.

Headstart – Schoolbased Apprenticeships/ Traineeships

- Headstart allows students to commence their apprenticeship or traineeship whilst completing VCE or VCE VM.
- 12 months in a schoolbased apprenticeship is equivalent to 6 months fulltime.
- At the completion of school you will go fulltime and continue with your apprenticeship/ traineeship until completed.
- Students are responsible for finding an employer.

What's next?

- EDVAL is open
- Wednesday 7 August - Curriculum expo on
- Monday 19 August – Course Counselling Interviews
1:00pm – 8:00pm
- Friday 6 September - Course Selections Close (EDVAL closes)

Course Selection – Planning Sheet

Year 11 VCE Program

VCE Year 11 Students: All students must study two units from the English Group (English or Literature) It is highly recommended that all Year 11 students study Mathematics for the year as it is a prerequisite for many tertiary studies. Students select an additional 3 units per semester which may include a Unit 3/4 sequence or VET.

Please write in your elective choices. VET and Early Access to Units 3/4 count as one subject.

All students need to record VCE course preferences, even if enrolling in the Vocational Major. Preference data can be used if unable to enrol in Vocational Major.

	English Gr.	Elective 1	Elective 2	Elective 3	Elective 4	Optional: VET
SEM 1 2024						
2025 Planning						

FOUR Additional Units Selected in case of clash or subjects not running:

<u>Back up 1</u>	<u>Back up 2</u>	<u>Back up 3</u>	<u>Back up 4</u>
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Year 11 VCE - Vocational Major Program

Core subjects are VM Literacy, Numeracy (VCE Foundation, General Maths or Maths Methods), Personal Development/Work Related Skills. Students must study a VET certificate (or SBAT). *When choosing the level of Maths it is recommended the choice is based on what their VET course requires.*

Tick this box if you intend to enrol in the Vocational Major Program

Please write in your choices for Maths, VCE Elective and VET course.

SEM	COMPULSORY		ELECTIVE		VET CERTIFICATE:
	VM Literacy	VM Personal Development/Work Related Skills	VCE Maths <i>(please circle)</i> Foundation Maths General Maths Maths Methods	VCE Elective	
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EDVAL Choice

- Online form.
- Email sent to students
- **Due Date: Friday 6th September**
- Enter before course counselling – can adjust later.

To do list

Students

- Complete your career action plan (CARE group)
Bring to Course Counselling Interview
- Pick your preferred subjects using Y10 Course Planning form
- Think about whether VCE or VCE-VM is the best pathway for you at the moment.

Parents

- Look at your child's Career Action Plan with them.
- Book course counselling interview (open now – through compass)