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HSC Course Information Evening Thursday 15/0617

YEAR 11, 2018
YEAR 12, 2019

Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father.

Help our students to appreciate their talents, and to have the wisdom and courage to select subjects to foster those talents. Let them have the patience to listen to the advice from teachers and parents.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

Requirements for the award of the HSC

- You must study a minimum of **12 units** in the Preliminary course and a minimum of **10 units** in the HSC Course.
- You must satisfactorily complete all components of courses that meet the pattern of study requirements outlined by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) ie: assessment, practical work, oral and/or project works.
- You must have sat for and made a serious attempt at the HSC Examinations.

Requirements for the award of the HSC

You must study:

- At least 6 units of Board Developed Courses including 2 units of a Board Developed Course in English.
- At least three courses of 2 units value or greater.
- At least four subjects.
- At most 7 units of Science can contribute to HSC eligibility.

What are Units?

2 UNIT COURSES: 4 periods of class time per week (100 marks)

1 UNIT COURSE: 2 periods of class time per week (50 marks)

EXTENSION COURSES:

- Build on the content in 2 Unit Courses and carry an extra 1 unit in value.
- Extension Courses are available in English, Mathematics, Science and History.
- English and Mathematics Extension Courses must be studied in the Preliminary year before proceeding to study the HSC Extension.
- The HSC Extension course in Science and History is only offered in the HSC year.

What is the ATAR?

The Australian Tertiary Admission Rank –

- a numerical measure of a student's overall academic achievement in the HSC in relation to that of other students
- a number between 0.00 and 99.95 (only ATAR's above 30 are reported)
- intended for use by universities to rank and select school leavers for admission to university

What types of subjects can I select?

Board Developed Courses:

- These courses are developed by NESA, and are examined externally at the end of the HSC and can count towards the calculation of the ATAR
- Most of the courses offered at St Edward's are Board Developed Courses.

What types of subjects can I select?

- Some Board Developed Courses are called '**Category B**' courses. You can study as many of these courses as you wish for the HSC but only the best 2 Units of Category B courses can be included in the calculation of the ATAR.
- In order to have a Category B Course count towards an ATAR, students must sit for the optional exam.

What types of subjects can I select?

Vocational Education and Training (VET) Courses

- VET courses are offered as part of the Higher School Certificate.
- These courses are designed to allow students to study courses that are relevant to industry needs.
- These courses involve a mandatory work placement of 35 hours in both the Preliminary and HSC year.

What types of subjects can I select?

Content Endorsed Courses:

- These courses have been endorsed by NESA.
- *They do not have an external exam and therefore do not count towards an ATAR.*
- Students usually choose these courses out of interest as they may be linked to a possible career, or to simply broaden their education.
- These courses place a greater emphasis on practical work and skill development for further use in recreation or employment.
- All Content Endorsed Courses count towards a HSC and appear on student's record of achievement.

Requirements for an ATAR

- The ATAR is based on the sum of the best 10 units of Board Developed Courses.
- These must be comprised of the best 2 Units of English and the best 8 units from the remaining units.
- No more than 2 units of Category B courses can be included in the calculation of the ATAR.

In Summary

Board Developed Courses -

Category A Courses (all contribute to an ATAR)

English (all courses), Mathematics and Mathematics Standard 2, Studies of Religion 1 and 2, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Investigating Science, Economics, Engineering Studies, Food Technology, Legal Studies, Business Studies, Modern History, Ancient History, Geography, Music, Visual Arts, Drama, French, PD/H/PE, Information Processing and Technology, Software Design and Development.

In Summary

Vocational Education and Training Courses (VET) & (Category B)

Metals and Engineering, Construction, Hospitality,
Retail Services, Information Technology, and
Entertainment

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In Summary

**Content Endorsed Courses
(Do not count towards an ATAR)**

Catholic Studies

Photography

Industry Based Learning

Sports Coaching

General Advice on Choosing Subjects

Students should take great care in selecting subjects and base their decisions on the following:

- Interest
- Ability
- Balance
- Type of Assessment
- Future Plans

General Advice on Choosing Subjects

Do *not* choose subjects because

- The subject is supposed to score well for University entry.
- Your friends are doing it
- Of a particular teacher
- You think the subject is 'easy'

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	Subject	Units
English	English Advanced	2
Priority 2	Biology	2
Priority 3	Senior Science	2
Priority 4		0
Priority 5		0
Priority 6	Biology	0
Priority 7	Business Studies	0
	Chemistry	0
	Design & Technology	0
	Drama	0
	Earth & Environmental Science	0
	Economics	0
	English Extension 1	0
Reserve 1	French	0
Reserve 2	Geography	0
Reserve 3	German	0
	History Ancient	0
	History Modern	0
	Japanese	0
	Legal Studies	0
	Mathematics	0
	Mathematics Extension 1	0
	Maths General	0
	Total Units	6

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Your choices are registered.
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Code	Subject	Units
ENA	English Advanced	2
BIO	Biology	2
DRA	Drama	2
MAT	Mathematics	2
MAX	Mathematics Extension 1	1
AHI	History Ancient	2
		Total: 11

Reserves:

LEG	Legal Studies	2
GRM	German	2
JAP	Japanese	2

Please get this form signed and return it to school.

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Please get this form signed and return it to school.

Signature: _____

Parent / Carer

Print Ok

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A CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN THE EDMUND RICE TRADITION

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AGREEMENT FOR YEARS 11 & 12

St. Edward's is a school community. A community consists of individuals who belong to the group with whom they share common goals, hopes and expectations. The community has a responsibility to its members to protect these goals, while the individual has the responsibility to know and uphold them. Since you have decided to enrol in our senior school, we assume that you know what the expectations are and that you are choosing to accept them as your own. This personal contract is to be seen as your application to enrol in post compulsory schooling at this College and may form the basis of any future review of your enrolment.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SUBURB: _____

POSTCODE: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PARISH (OR RELIGION) _____

NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

PHONE NUMBER: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Upon my enrolment for Years 11 and 12, I _____ undertake the following:

1. To comply with the college Code for Learning (see overleaf)
2. To attend school and all classes regularly and punctually while also explaining absences.
3. To participate fully in the Religious Education program (lessons, liturgies, retreats)
4. To maintain a friendly and respectful attitude toward all members of the school community and to be mindful of the feelings and rights of others.
5. To uphold the College rules at school and while representing the school, and to encourage others to do likewise.
6. To abide by the rules and conditions outlined in the Acceptable Use of ICT Policy.
7. To maintain a high standard of uniform and personal appearance as directed.
8. To contribute my personal gifts and talents to the senior school community in curricular and extra-curricular activities.
9. To participate fully in excursions, camps, and school athletics and swimming carnivals and other school events as required.
10. To value school and personal property (my own and that of others).
11. To carry out in good faith any directions given by members of staff (teaching and support staff).
12. To grow to value the philosophy and aims of our school community.

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STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

I, _____ parent/guardian of _____ have read the above and agree with the sentiments expressed.

- I agree to support my son in fulfilling these terms of senior enrolment.
- I also undertake to pay all fees promptly or consult immediately with the Business Manager if hardship arises.
- I agree to give 10 weeks notice if intending to withdraw my son from the college. (1 Terms fees may be charged if notice is not given)
- I undertake to support the College community by involvement, where possible, and to communicate freely with the school in this educational partnership.

The information collected in your son's enrolment at the College will be used to enable the College to discharge its duty of care. In accordance with the Privacy Act, St Edward's takes proactive steps to ensure that all information supplied to parents, teachers and students is treated with confidentiality. Please circle one of the following:

- a) I/we give permission for my son's photograph to be used in publications; eg: College website, College magazine, Central Coast Express Advocate. OR
- b) I/we do not give permission for my son's photograph to be used in publications. Please indicate the type of publication: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____



**The due date for return of both
the subject selection form and
the agreement form is:**

**Friday 21st July
(Week 1, term 3)**

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