SUBJECT SELECTION

Year 9 into Year 10 (2026)

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Agenda

- Subject selection process: View – Discuss – Select
- Why we have subject selection
- Important dates
- Acceleration
- Web Preferences

Subject selection

- Presentations
- Handbooks

- Subject choices or potential pathways with subject teachers and Tutor teachers

- Using Web Preferences
- Return acceleration form

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View

Why we have subject selection

- Student voice and choice
- Pathways and opportunities
- Planning and logistics

Changing subjects or pathways once the timetable has been constructed is not always possible.

We always do our best to accommodate students, however, we are operating in a complex system with 2000 students.

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Important Dates

Friday 1 August	Friday 8 Aug	Wednesday 13 Aug	Thursday 14 Aug
• Tutor Workshop #1	• Tutor Workshop #2	• Web Preferences due (11:59 pm)	• Acceleration forms due

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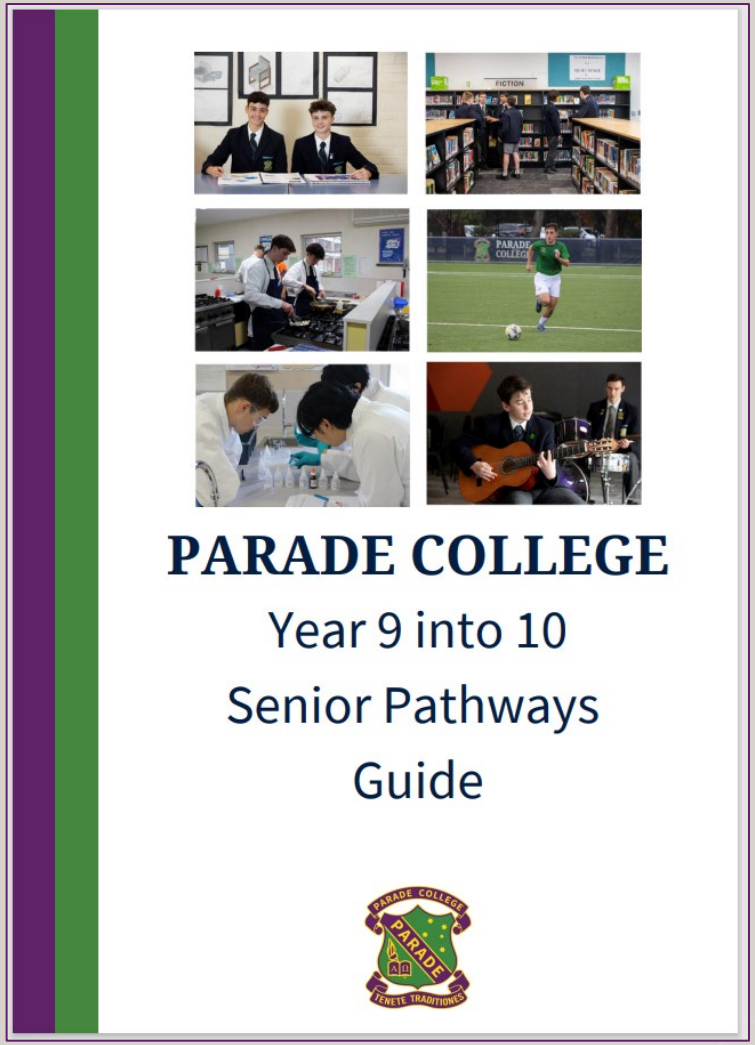
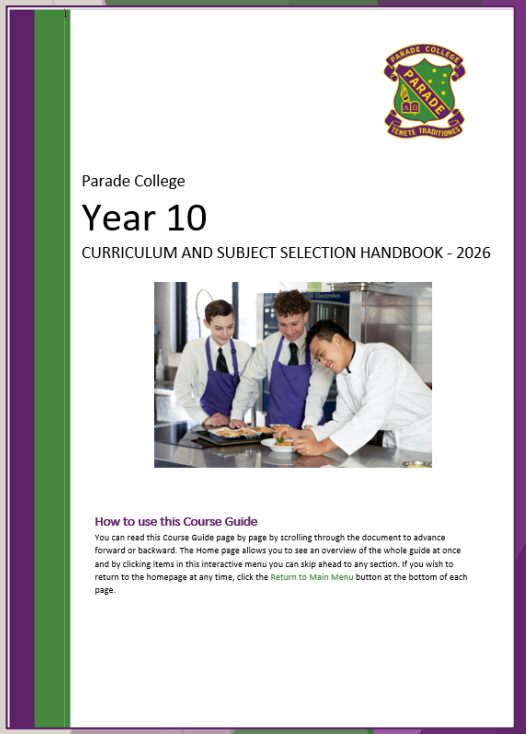
View

Resources

- Senior Pathways Guide
- Curriculum and Subject Selection Handbook 2025
- Year 10 Curriculum Website on SIMON → School links

https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/subject-selection





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Careers advisors

- Careers advisors are available for assistance.
- Appointments can be made directly and parents are welcome to attend the meetings.

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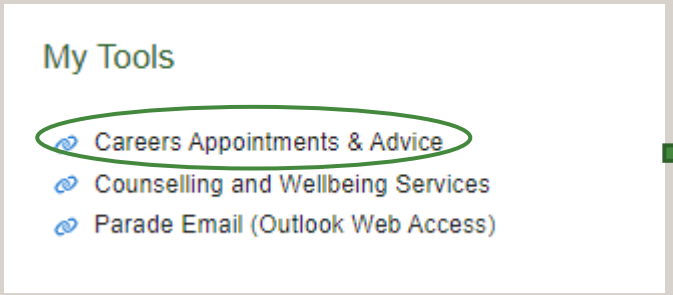

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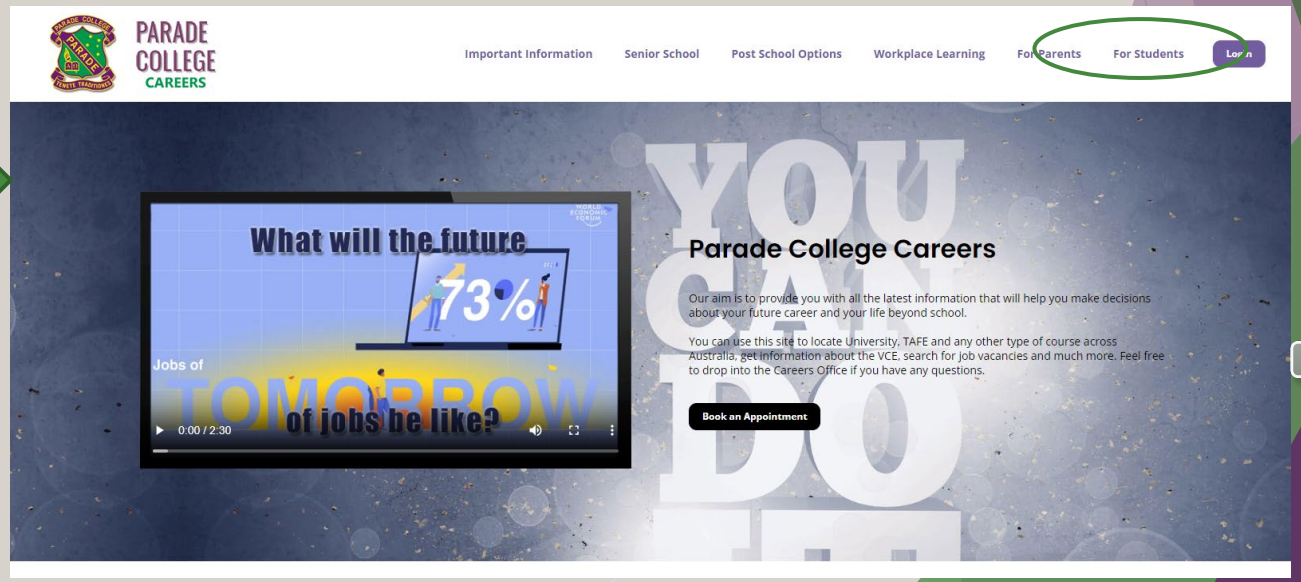
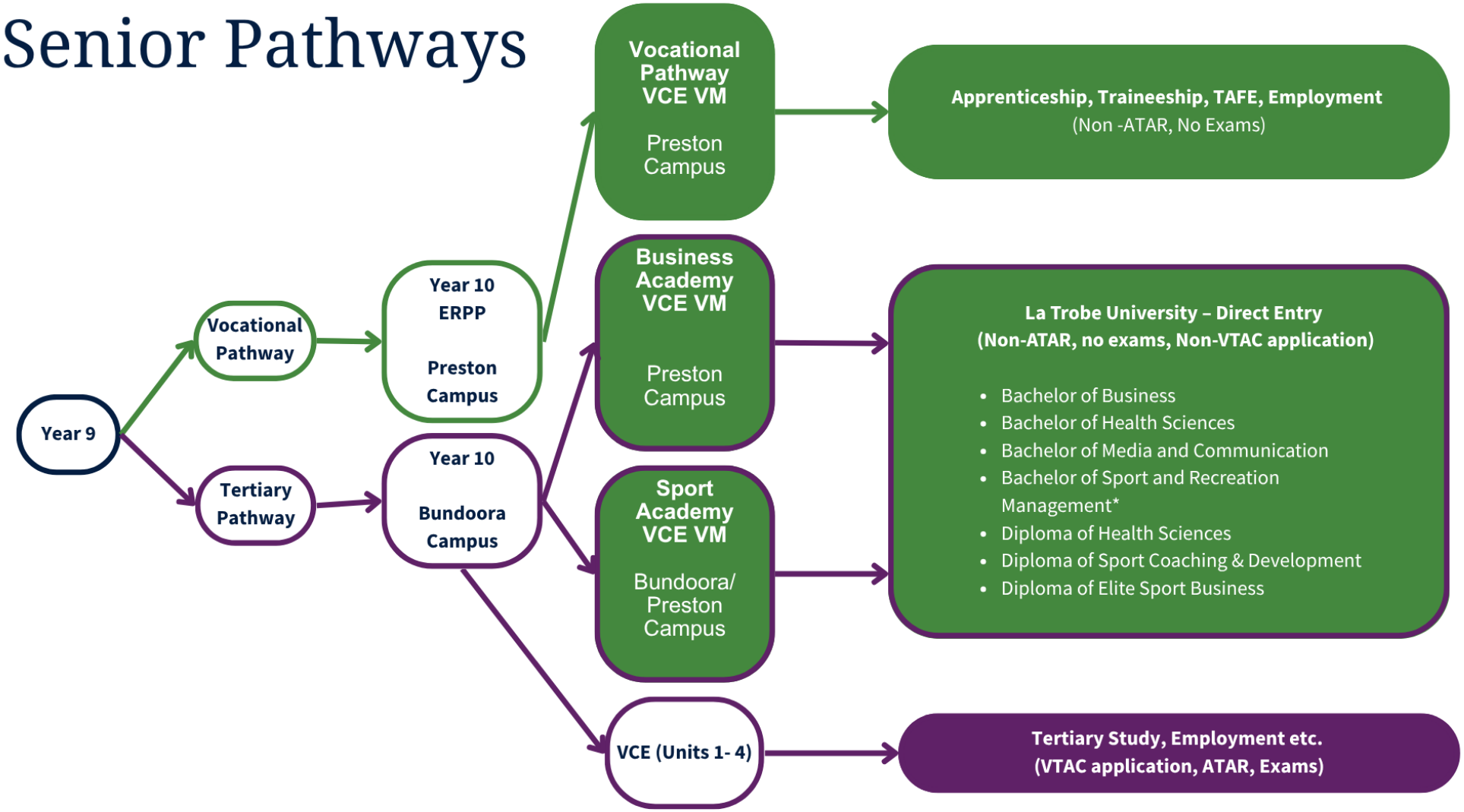


Discuss

Parade College Senior Pathways



* Sport Academy only

Discuss

Edmund Rice Pathways Program (ERPP) – Preston Campus

- A year 10 course for a pathway into VCE VM at the Preston Campus
- Application is via the Web Preferences process
- Refer to the VCE-VM pathways presentation on the Subject Selection Website

ERPP Core Units	
Careers	Community based Religion
English	Mathematics
Physical Activity	STEAM
VET Carpentry (Certificate II in Building Construction)	Humanities

ERPP Elective Units	
Certificate II in Building Construction (Bricklaying)	Certificate II in Furniture Making Pathways

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Discuss

VCE or Tertiary focussed pathway

- What subjects do I enjoy doing?

  Enjoyment will increase your likelihood of success.

- What must I do?

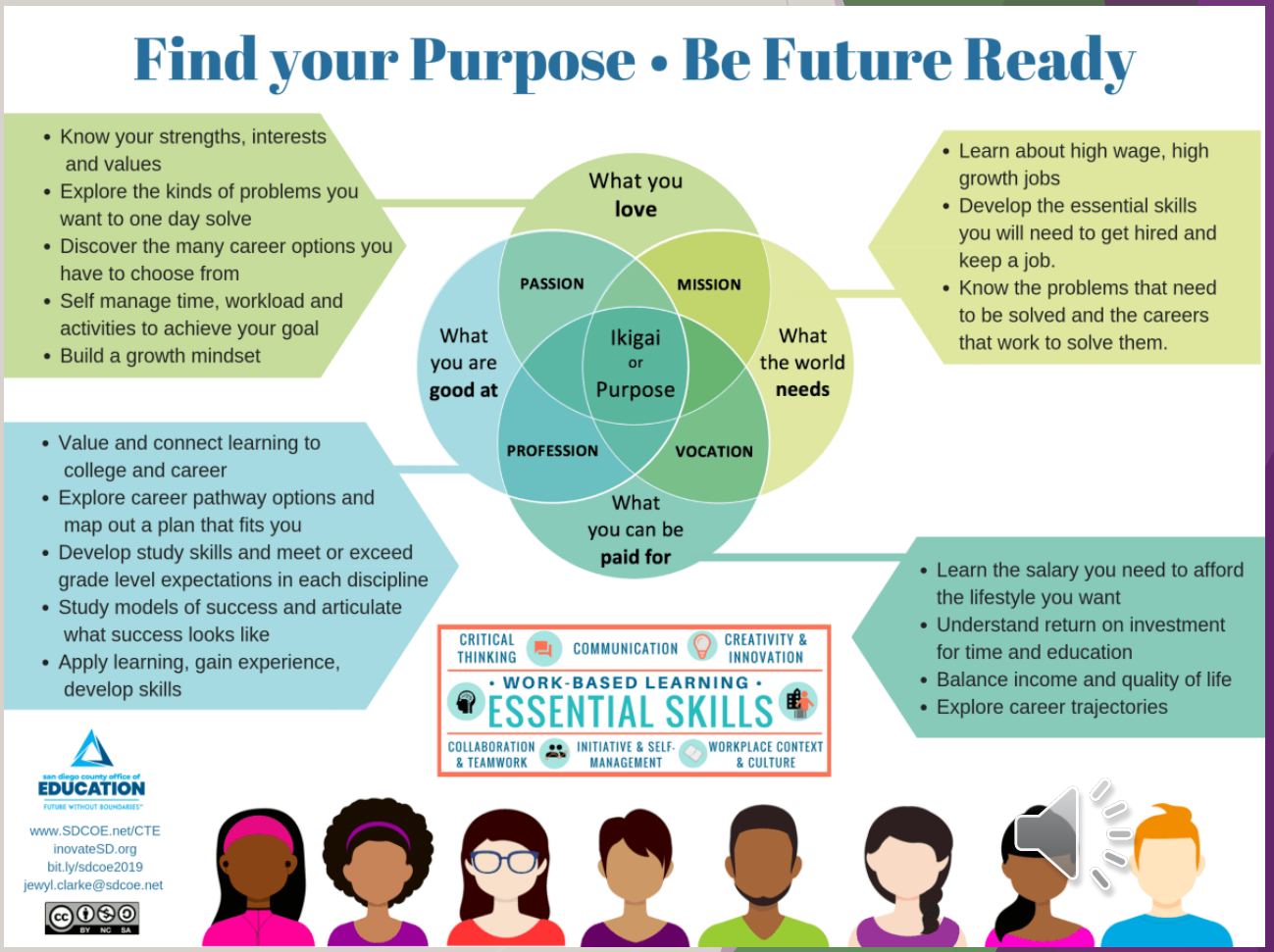
  There are compulsory subjects at Year 10

- What do I want to do after Year 12?

  Are there pre-requisites or recommended subjects for VCE to help me with a Uni or TAFE pathway?

- What subjects am I currently best at?

  Current success likely leads to future success.



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Year 10 Curriculum Program

Semester 1	Semester 2
Religious Education (Unit 1)– **CHOICE**	Religious Education (Unit 2) – **CHOICE**
Careers – CORE	
English – **CHOICE**	
Mathematics – **CHOICE**	
History – CORE	Science - **CHOICE**
Science - **CHOICE**	Elective
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- Electives should be selected from a range of Learning Areas
- It is strongly recommended that students do not select more than two electives from any one Learning Area
- Student choice remains within the Core subject options

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Discuss

Core subjects

- Careers

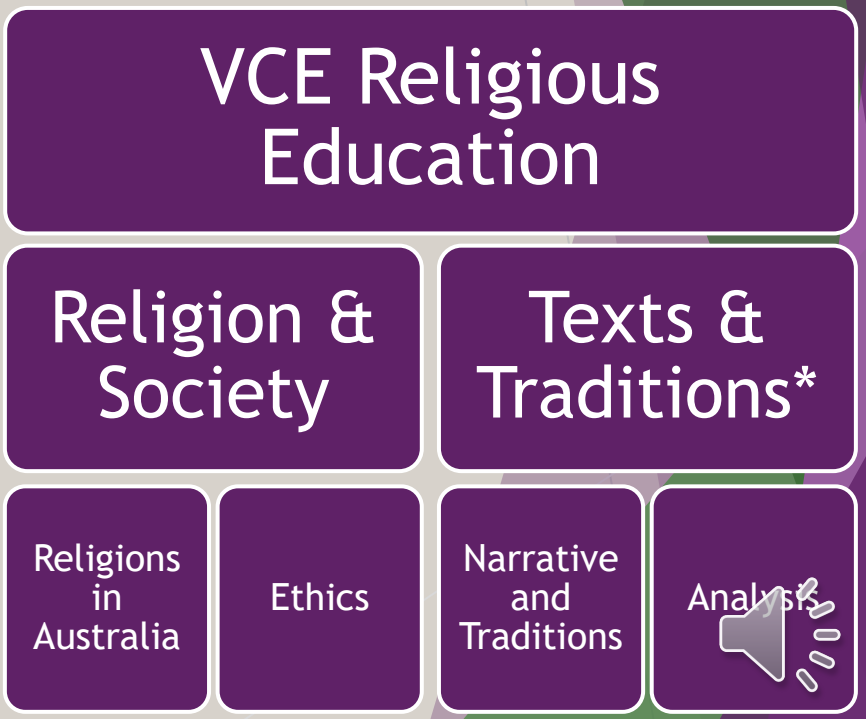
  This year-long subject equips students with the skills to seek employment.

  Completion of the Career Voyage program and work experience.

- Religious Education

  All students will complete a Unit 1 and 2 Religious Education course.

  Students may apply to continue their Religious Education subject as an accelerated student in Year 11.



*recommended for students with a B-average in English

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Core subjects

English

Year 10 English	Year 10 Literature
Leads on from Year 9 English or Year 9 Intervention English	B-average recommended Application process*

Discuss your English selection with:

- Your English teacher
- Mr Wilcocks (Learning Area Leader – English)
- Mr Randell or Mr Armstrong (Convenors – English)
- Tutor Teacher

*Applicants will be reviewed and approved by the LAL of English

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Discuss

Core subjects

Mathematics

General	Methods	Enhanced Methods	Foundation
Builds on Year 9 Maths	B-average required	Current Altior Maths students	Current Foundation students or invited students
Leads to VCE General Maths	Leads to VCE Maths Methods & VCE Spec Maths		Leads to VCE Foundation Maths or VCE-VM

Most students select either General or Methods for Year 10

Discuss your Maths selection with:

- Your Maths teacher
- Mr Zhang (Learning Area Leader – Mathematics)
- Mr Spurr or Ms Zhou (Convenors – Mathematics)
- Tutor Teacher

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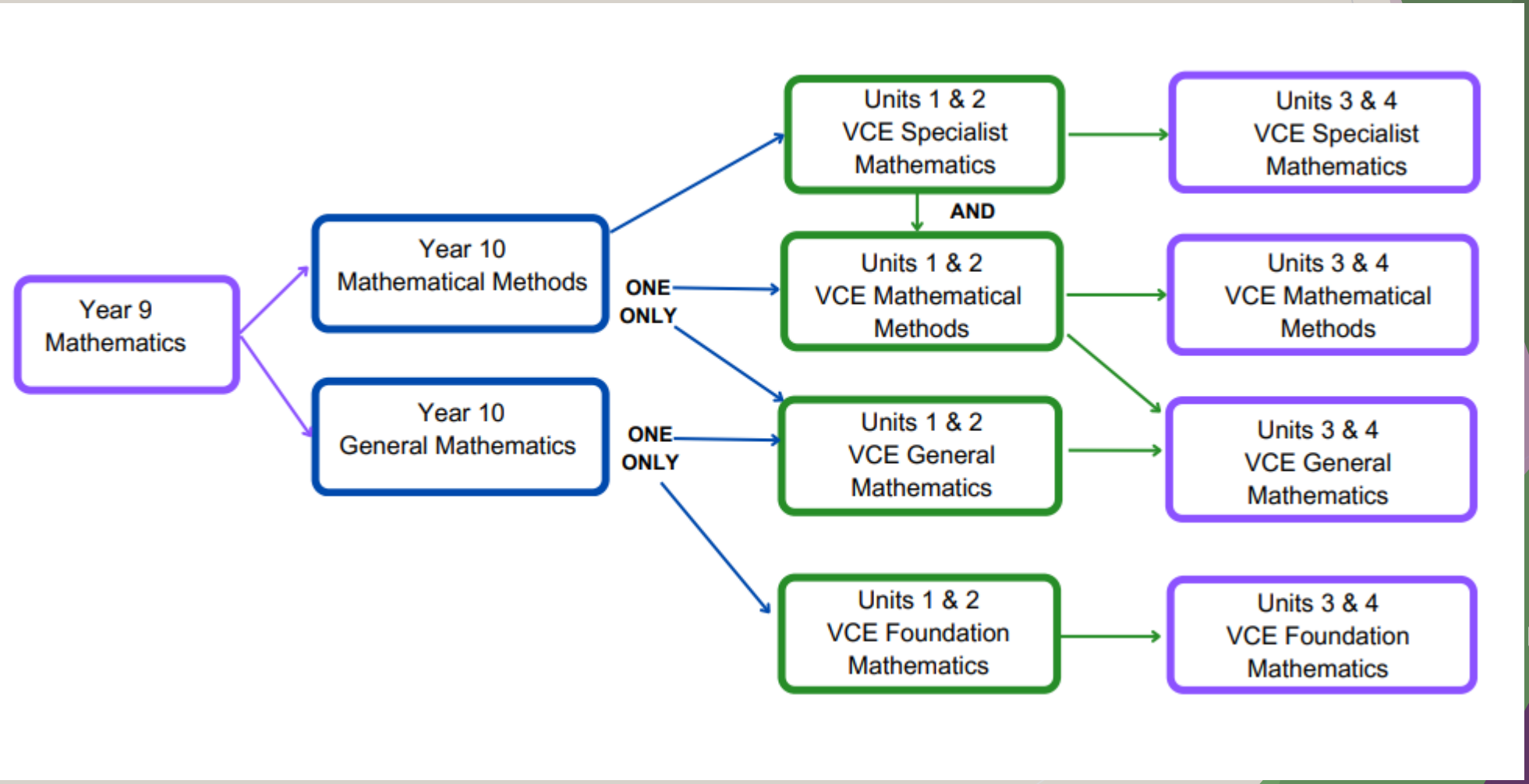
The maths subject you select for Year 10 influences your opportunities at VCE.

Please speak with your maths teacher and visit the Maths stand at the Expo.

Note: Altior and Foundation students will follow a different pathway.



Discuss

Core subjects

- All students will select two Science electives
- A maximum of four science units may be selected.

Discuss your science electives with:

- Mr McConville (Learning Area Leader – Science)
- Mr Lynch (Convenor – Science)
- Your Science teacher
- Tutor Teacher

Science

Biology Origins	Chemistry Matters	Physics Fundamentals	Psychology Opening minds

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Discuss

Electives

Students select five (5) elective subjects.

The following conditions apply:

- Science – maximum of four electives
- Languages – studied for two semesters and counts as two (2) electives
- Arts or Technology – maximum of three elective subjects
- VET – counts as two (2) elective units
- HPE and High Performance Sport – limits apply, as per next slide

Discuss

HPE and High Performance Sport

Students may select a maximum of two (2) electives from the following:

- High Performance (semester 1)
- High Performance (semester 2)
- Physical Education
- Exercise Prescription and Design

Students may **also** choose Health and Human development (either to supplement the above, or by itself).

In total, students may select a maximum of three (3) units from this Learning Area.

The Dean of High Performance Sport will approve enrolment into High Performance Sport subjects.

If you are not approved to study High Performance Sport, you will be allocated one of your reserve subjects.

Do not select three electives of PE and High Performance as one will revert to your reserve choice.

Discuss your HPE or High Performance electives with:

- Mr Corry (Learning Area Leader – HPE)
- Mr Bowie (Dean of High Performance Sport)
- Your HPE teacher
- Tutor Teacher

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Discuss

Manchester City Program

- Suited for students who are interested in pursuing a pathway in the Sport Academy (Preston Campus) beyond Year 10.
- Only one class is on offer for 2026, a specific selection criteria will be applied.
- The program will replace two units of the maximum three permitted from the High Performance Sport / HPE electives.
- Students representing the College in ACC **do not** need to be a part of this program. ACC selection is a separate process.
- Timetable conflicts may arise if students elect both the Manchester City program and a VCE acceleration subject.

All enquiries regarding selection are to be directed to the Dean of High Performance Sport (Mr Shaun Bowie) or the Head Coach (Mr Mick Bennett).

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Acceleration

VET

- Vocational pathway
- Suited to students who enjoy hands-on and experiential learning
- If you are considering ERPP or VCE-VM you should accelerate in a VET subject.

VCE

- Academic pathway
- Suited to highly academic students

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Discuss

Acceleration: VET

- On Web Preferences, Year 10 students are eligible to select a VET acceleration from the approved subjects listed below.
- A maximum of ONE acceleration (VET or VCE) is allowed for Year 10 students. (Altior students may apply for more than one).
  - Cert II Bricklaying (1.30 – 5.00pm on Tuesday)
  - Cert II Carpentry (1:30 – 5:00 pm Tuesday; 7.30 – 11.00am on Thursday[#])
  - Cert II Furniture Making Pathways (1.30 – 5.00pm on Tuesday)

[#]class allocation depends on other subjects

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Discuss

Acceleration: VET

- VET subjects may contribute to ATAR in Year 12. See Careers Advisors for further information.
- Students considering ERPP or VCE VM in Year 11 are advised to take up Bricklaying, Carpentry or Furniture.
- Other VET subjects are available (scored and non-scored) in Year 11, but they are not available for acceleration as a Year 10 student in 2026 (e.g. Cert II VET Sport and Recreation etc).

Discuss your VET options with Mr Torpey (AP – Partnerships and Pathways).

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Acceleration: VCE

Acceleration in VCE means completing a Year 11 (Unit 1-2) subject while you are in Year 10.

Then, continuing that subject (Unit 3-4) while you are in Year 11.

- An accelerated VCE subject is year-long and will count as two (2) electives.
- All students in Year 10 will undertake Unit 1-2 of their chosen Religious Education subject. This is **not** considered acceleration.
- If you intend to accelerate into a Unit 3-4 subject at Year 11, you **must** do the Unit 1-2 equivalent next year.
- Altior students may apply for up to two accelerated subjects.

Discuss

Acceleration: VCE

Unit 1-2 VCE subjects offered for acceleration

- Accounting
- Applied Computing
- Australian and Global Politics
- Biology
- Business Management
- Economics
- Geography
- Health and Human Development
- Media
- Legal Studies
- Outdoor & Environmental Studies
- Physical Education
- Product Design and Technology
- Psychology
- Systems Engineering

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Acceleration: VCE

An accelerated study is more demanding than a Year 10 subject.

Conditions of enrolment:

- Performance in Year 10 subjects and electives is not negatively impacted.
- VCE subjects have one more lesson per cycle than Year 10 subjects. Therefore, students will miss one lesson per cycle of a Year 10 subject to attend their accelerated VCE subject.
- It is the expectation that students catch up on work missed and communicate regularly with their Year 10 teacher.

Discuss

Acceleration: VCE

Selection criteria for acceleration into a VCE subject in Year 10 2026

- B grade or higher in **all** assessment tasks for English AND the most relevant subject studied in Year 9 Semester 1
- C grade or higher in all core subjects (RE, Maths, Humanities, Science) in Semester 1
- Semester 2 grades also meet the above criteria for related and non-related core subjects.
- Learning behaviours demonstrate a positive and committed work ethic.
- Timely submission of the correct application form.
- Recommendation of the LAL of the subject (via the acceleration review panel).

Continuation in an accelerated subject in Year 11 is **not** automatic, similar conditions apply.

Discuss

Acceleration: VCE

Accelerating in Science (Unit 1-2 Biology or Psychology)

- This subject will count as your minimum two units of compulsory Science.
- If you wish to pursue another science in Year 11 you should also complete the appropriate pre-requisite at Year 10.

E.g.: apply to accelerate in Biology **and** wish to study Chemistry in VCE → select *Chemistry Matters* as Year 10.

Apply

Acceleration: VCE

Application

1. Collect a PINK application form from Ms Bonvicino (Dean of Learning) in MQ13

2. Complete all parts of the form including the nomination of two Year 10 subjects that will be replaced if your application is successful.

3. Return the completed form to the box out the front of MQ6 by Thursday, 14 August.

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Acceleration: VCE

Outcome

- The decision on whether a student meets the criteria for acceleration is determined by a Panel. No one person decides on the outcome of each application.

- During Term 3, students will be notified via email the outcome of their application:

1. Recommended: student meets all of the criteria
2. Pending: student may meet all or some of the criteria. A decision will be made in Term 4 after semester 2 examinations.
3. Not recommended: student does not meet all of the selection criteria.

Acceleration

- The College reserves the right to not to accelerate a student if they do not meet the guidelines for acceleration for that course and/or if the action is deemed to be in the best interests of that student.

- At Parade College, all students are required to have completed the relevant Unit 1-2 study before being able to accelerate into a Unit 3-4 subject.

- All students complete five Unit 3-4 subjects in Year 12. This includes students who complete acceleration in Year 11.

- Acceleration is not permitted in the following subjects*:
  - English, Literature, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Music Performance, Languages.

*Please consult the Year 10 Subject Selection Handbook for exceptions

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Apply

Using Web Preferences

- Pathway and Subjects are selected online using Web Preferences.

- An email with a link to Web Preferences, a code, and password is emailed to each student's Parade email account.
  - Search for noreply@selectmysubjects.com.au in your inbox

- There are four steps in the process:

1. Log into Web Preferences
2. Select your subject preferences
3. Confirm your subject preferences
4. Sign your Web Preferences receipt digitally – both student and parent signatures are required.

A step-by-step guide is available on the Careers & Subject Selection webpage

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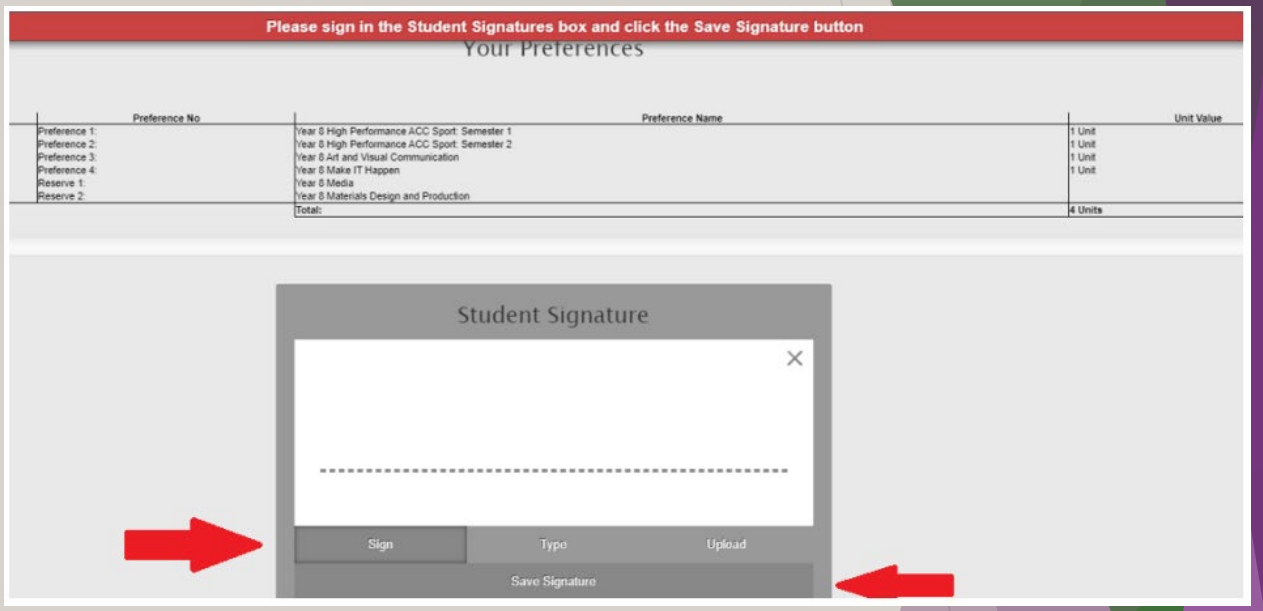
Signing the Web Preferences Receipt

1. Student signature
2. Enter parent/guardian's email address.
3. Parent/guardian receives email and signs in a similar manner.
4. Both signatures should appear.
5. ***Submit Signature*** to confirm.



Parents should check their junk/spam folder for the email to sign the web preferences.

Student preferences are still processed even in the absence of a parent signature.

Parents do not receive an email to confirm that their signature 'worked'.

There is no advantage in submitting preferences early. All preferences will be considered equally, as long as they are submitted by the due date.

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Further information

- View the Year 10 Curriculum Website on SIMON → School links

https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/subject-selection

- Discuss your subjects with your teachers, tutor teacher, and relevant Learning Area Leader.

- Deleted or lost your Web Preferences email?
  - Do a *search* on your inbox
  - If you haven't received the email by Monday 4 August, then contact Mr Greatwood: Simon.Greatwood@parade.vic.edu.au

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