



*Community—Ownership—Respect—Excellence*

*Excellamus: Let us excel*

## **Middle School**

### **Year 9**

At Year 9 Cohuna Secondary College offers a blend of core and elective subjects designed to maximise student engagement while still preparing them for strong academic progress.

#### **Year 9 Core Subjects**

Students study the following core subjects for both semesters:

- English
- Geography
- Health and Phys Ed
- History
- Life @ Work
- Mathematics
- Reading
- Resilience
- Science

#### **Year 9 Electives**

- ARTS: Applied Arts, Practical Arts, Custom Graphics Art, Graphic Design 101,
- LOTE—French
- Sport & PE: Adventure Fitness, Outdoor Education, SEPEP and Sport & Recreation
- TECHNOLOGY: Automotive Restoration, Fashion Design, Food Studies-Healthy Australians, Food Studies—Product Development, Full Custom Builds, Gourmet Farmer, PD&T—Metalwork, PD&T—Wood, Systems Automotive

Students study two elective subjects per semester, please see the following Handbook for a list of subjects:

Click [here](#) for the 2023 Year 9 Handbook

### **Year 10**

Year 10 students have far more flexibility with their subject choices than previous years, and can choose with potential educational and career pathways in mind. All Year 10 students complete a portfolio interview in Term 3 from which we make educational recommendations.

### **Year 10 Core Subjects**

- English
- Geography
- Health and Phys Ed
- History
- Mathematics
- Resilience
- Science
- Work Related Skills

### **Year 10 Electives**

- ARTS: Applied Arts, Practical Arts, Custom Graphics Art, Graphic Design 101,
- LOTE—French
- Sport & PE: Adventure Fitness, Outdoor Education, SEPEP and Sport & Recreation
- TECHNOLOGY: Automotive Restoration, Fashion Design, Food Studies-Healthy Australians, Food Studies— Product Development, Full Custom Builds, Gourmet Farmer, PD&T—Metalwork, PD&T—Wood, Systems Automotive

Students study two elective subjects per semester OR one elective subject along with a VCE unit, please see the following Handbook for a list of subjects:

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### **Accelerated Studies**

In line with the VCE timetable, all year 10 subjects run for a combined five periods per week. This is designed to allow capable and organized students the possibility of studying some VCE subjects and/or VET programs.

Undertaking a VCE unit in Year 10 has significant advantages such as:

- The opportunity to develop academic and study skills in readiness for VCE
- The possibility of completing a 3-4 sequence in Year 11 and therefore having six study scores to contribute to their ATAR at the end of Year 12.

Student preference is a high priority in deciding which courses finally run. However, the following factors must also be taken into account:

- Staffing—both the total number of staff and the availability of staff with particular specialist qualifications
- Rooms—many programs require the use of specialist rooms, at least for some class time

### **Work Experience**

Work experience is an exciting part of the Year 10 curriculum. All Year 10s complete work experience in either Term 3 or Term 4.