

20 August 2021

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers

RE: Year 11 2022 Subject Selection

This year, the College Senior Leadership Team and College Council have revisited the strategic intent of the College and, together, formulated a new vision for 2022 and beyond. Our vision is "Awakening potential and empowering learners for purposeful lives through Christ". It is this vision that directs what we do. Subject selection is not simply a process but an essential part of awakening potential and empowering our learners.

A key part in planning for classes, timetables and staffing for 2022 includes subject selection. Faith is blessed to be able to offer a range of engaging and exciting subjects for students to choose from, personalised to their interests and talents.

Each student must select six (6) subjects in Year 11. The Advisory Class will only be available in Semester 2 in consultation with the College.

Core Subjects:

Students must study an English and Mathematics subject from the list below:

Essential English	Essential Mathematics
General English	General Mathematics
Literature	Mathematical Methods

Elective Subjects:

Students are to select four (4) other subjects to study. The subjects have been arranged in lines to maximise student choice across both ATAR and VET pathways.

Subject Selection Process

On Wed 4th August students received an email inviting them to lodge their subject selection for 2022. Students have until the 20th August to select their preferred subject choices. Once a meeting between the student, parent/carer and a member of the

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College has been held, students will have another opportunity to confirm their finalised subject selections for 2022.

Creation of line structures.

Our students are blessed to have so many options in Years 11 and 12 across both ATAR and VET pathways. The College has designed the line structures to maximise post school pathways and opportunities, taking into account student interests, staffing levels, resources and previous ATAR Subject Scaling's.

Information Night

On Monday 7th June, the College was to host an information night regarding Senior Studies; however, this was cancelled due to Covid restrictions. Key information from the presentation can be found at: <https://youtu.be/tml2aenCH5Q>

Student preferences

Students have already indicated their preference for subjects according to these lines and over 95% of students were able to select all six (6) subjects according to interest. From this student poll, subjects were adjusted to try and meet the needs of the students in this cohort.

Curriculum Information

Due to the recent lockdown, the Careers Expo has been postponed to a later date. However, in the interim, students and families have access to the 2022 Curriculum Handbook which can be located **at Parent Lounge/Student Café > School Links > Curriculum > Year 2022 Senior Curriculum Guide**). Further information can be obtained by contacting our Heads of Learning Communities (Curriculum) and Careers Counsellor:

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Student Education and Training (SET) Plan meetings

The next mandatory phase of selection is SET Plan meetings. These are compulsory meetings between key staff, the student and a parent/carer. Students and parents/carers will meet with a staff mentor to discuss their SET Plan on either the 7th or 8th of September between 2pm-7pm.

Please make your bookings with the designated staff member using the same process for Parent Teacher Interviews on Parent Lounge. Please note that the Bookings will be opened from Wednesday the 25th of August.

Prior to the meeting students are required to bring and/or complete the Morrisby Career Assessment and their SET Plan Summary which have been worked through with Learning Coaches and led by Mr Tony Ninasivinche, Careers Counsellor.

It is essential that these documents are completed prior to the meeting and parents/carers are familiar with these documents.

It is mandatory that all SET Plan meetings take place with both the student and parent/carer. No subjects can be finalised without this meeting taking place.

Your student will be able to discuss future pathways, QTAC requirements, VET and ATAR pathways and subject information (such as recommendations for prior study and subject scaling effects on ATAR scores) at this meeting.

At the conclusion of this meeting, your student will be better placed to make informed decisions for subject selection.

Subject Selection

Students will select their final preference for subjects after their SET Plan meeting and before Friday 10th of September.

Subject changes

Once students have chosen their preferred subjects, there may be instances that require further changes, depending on student numbers in each class. Certain subjects will be offered irrespective of subject numbers, and these are subjects that must be offered in order for students to be able to pursue post-school pathways either due to subject pre-requisites or ATAR score requirements. In other instances, the College

leadership will make decisions of subject feasibility due to staffing and resource requirements. In these instances, the College will be in contact with affected individual families and students for alternative arrangements.

Students, from time to time, may wish to change subject choices post subject selection dates. Please note that this will not always be possible due to student numbers and staffing decisions. No changes to subjects will be permitted after Week 1 Term 1 2022, unless exceptional circumstances exist and must be approved by the Director of Teaching & Learning.

2022 Subject Selection Timelines:

Wednesday 22 July Week 2	Subject preferences due	Preferences collated for the generation of 2022 elective lines.
Tuesday 3 August Week 4 7:00-8:30pm	Curriculum Information Night (This has currently been postponed due to Covid Restrictions)	Students and parents meeting with Heads of Learning Communities and subject teachers.
Friday 20 August 3pm	Web Preferences Subject Selection Due	Subject selection through Web Preferences completed
Tuesday 7 th and Wednesday 8 th September	SET Plan Meetings	Students and parents/carers meet with staff mentor to finalise SET Plan and preferably subject selections
Friday 10 th September	Final Subject choices	Students finalise subjects based on generated elective lines.

If you have any further questions concerning this process, please contact Darron Skinner-Martin at dskinner-martin@faithlc.qld.edu.au or by phone on 5466 9900

Yours sincerely,



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