

V3

VCE SUCCESS STARTS AT YEAR 10



At Carwatha College P-12 ALL students in Year 10, 11 and 12 study VCE over three years.

Carwatha College P-12 has an excellent tradition of success at the VCE level.

Our 2015 and 2016 Dux received ATAR results of: 98 and 95.

The College stands apart from all other secondary schools in the area as it offers the V3 program – where all senior students study VCE over three years. Students start their Unit 1 & 2 subjects at Year 10 or V1 and then spread their Unit 3 & 4 subjects over their last two years of senior school, Year 11 or V2 and Year 12 or V3. Our teaching staff are committed to assisting students to achieve success in all areas of their VCE.

Why V3?

Our senior year's program maximise our student's chances of success. Over three years students have more choice and opportunity to complete the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE). Each student follows a program, which suits his or her individual needs with the opportunity to study a broad range of subjects and to retake a number of Unit 3 & 4 subjects for a second time if they choose.

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V3 Sample Program:

| Year 1 – 2017 V1 Year 10 | Year 2 – 2018 V2 Year 11 | Year 3 – 2019 V3 Year 12 |
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| English Units 1 & 2 General Mathematics Units 1 & 2 Chemistry Units 1 & 2 Physics Units 1 & 2 Special Interest Electives x 2 | English Units 3 & 4 Maths Methods Units 1 & 2 Chemistry Units 3 & 4 Specialist Maths Units 1 & 2 Chinese Units 1 & 2 | Physics Units 3 & 4 Maths Methods Units 3 & 4 Chinese Units 3 & 4 Specialist Maths Units 3 & 4 Supported study - Mentoring |
| OR | | |
| Year 1 – 2017 V1 Year 10 | Year 2 – 2018 V2 Year 11 | Year 3 – 2019 V2 Year 11 |
| English Units 1 & 2 General Mathematics Units 1 & 2 Business Management Units 1 & 2 VETiS Cert III Music Performance Special Interest Electives x 2 | English Units 3 & 4 Further Mathematics Units 3 & 4 Psychology Units 1 & 2 VETiS Cert III Music Performance History 20th Century Units 1 & 2 | English retake of Units 3 & 4 Psychology Units 3 & 4 Business Management Units 3 & 4 Food Technology Units 3 & 4 Supported study - Mentoring |

Special Interest Electives - Studied in V1 and V2

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| Discovering the World of Science | Decorative Metal and Plastic | Book Club |
| Debating | Fitness | Entertaining with Food |
| Leadership Development | Furniture Making | Pilates/Yoga |
| Logic Problems and Puzzles | Dance | Photography |

Please note that our programs are individualised and the above are only samples.

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Through extensive subject and career course counselling and mentoring, students and their families plan a three year program that suits their needs. We offer a strong breadth of VCE subjects, including VET. Our feedback from students and families in the V3 program is overwhelmingly positive. The success of students doing Unit 3 & 4 subjects in Year 11 or V2 to date has been outstanding.

Yearly we survey our students about V3 and some of their thoughts include:

"V3 gives us a head start and accelerates us in the competition of VCE"

"V3 gave me a chance to try extra subjects because I had 3 years to get my VCE"

"V3 allowed me as a Year 9 student to enter the senior school and be treated seriously as I began my VCE years."

"I love that I got to choose from a big variety of subjects and to personalise what I wanted to do"

"I was so happy with my results in V3 – they just got stronger every year as I studied new VCE subjects"

Our sample programs show how easily success can be maximised.

- Studying extra Unit 3 & 4 subjects means an increase in ATAR results.
- Special Interest Electives allow students to build skills in their chosen interest areas and balance the demands of a rigorous VCE program. These electives include fitness, strategic games, primary leadership, entertaining with food, free art and many more.
- Mentoring sessions – teacher supported study and mentoring sessions are timetabled weekly. Students receive one on one support to set goals, review performance, and work on areas of need.
- The ability to retake Unit 3 & 4 subjects allows for improvement in ATAR results.

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That extra year of VCE study means that every child gets a chance to study more VCE subjects and develop a pathway that best suits them. There is opportunity to try subjects and discover where their excellence lies. Our V3 program allows students to repeat Unit 3 & 4 subjects, to improve their ATAR by the third year.

Mentoring – Supported Study Sessions

As part of the V3 program, we offer a supported study session for 3 periods a week with a senior member of staff for students who undertake Unit 3 & 4 subjects. In these sessions, they are mentored to set goals for each subject and to set high but achievable results in order to maximise their ATAR.

Students are closely monitored for

- academic performance in school assessments
- setting goals for each subject and ensuring they are on track for the best results
- study and exam preparation
- motivation and wellbeing
- careers planning and university preparation
- attendance.

The mentor teachers communicate regularly with parents via a monthly progress report so that the home school partnership is strong and students are well supported to achieve their best.

Carwatha College P-12 aims to encourage all senior students to invest effort and time into achieving success and doing their best. Although the senior years are challenging, we hope our students will also find them enjoyable and some of the most memorable of their school years.