

PATHWAYS
to **QCE**



MANSFIELD

***Pathways to QCE
for 2024***

***Year 10 to 11
Parent Information
Evening.***





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Introduction



Acknowledgement of Country

As a school community, we acknowledge the Jagera people who are the traditional custodians of this land. We also pay respect to Elders both past and present of the Turrbal Nation and extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people present.



Welcome

Tonight we will be:

- Further explaining the QCE system
- Supporting students and their parents to make informed choices for their senior pathway



Pathways

- Paid Employment
- University
- Vocational Education and Training (VET)



Informed Decision Very Important

- Every pathway valuable
- All pathways lead to paid employment
- Must consider advice from Heads of Department, Teachers, Guidance Officers



Best Advice

- Select subjects you like
- Select subjects you are good at
- Consider prerequisites
- Subjects you need for your future
- Consider a balance



QCE Syllabuses

Features:

- Subject types – General and Applied (See Subject Selection booklet **p.4 & 5**)
- Assessment – external component for General subjects
- ATAR results are used by QTAC for university offers



Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)

*IMPLICATION – subjects
changes in Year 11 are not
recommended as they may
impact QCE eligibility*





Three Subject Types for 2024

GENERAL

- Results contribute to the QCE
- Results may contribute to an ATAR
- Includes external assessment

APPLIED

- Results contribute to the QCE
- No more than one Applied subject can contribute to an ATAR calculation
- Mostly internal assessment

VET

- Results can contribute to QCE
- No more than one VET qualification can contribute to ATAR
- Certificate II or higher VET qualification



ATAR eligibility

To be eligible for an ATAR, a student must have:

- satisfactorily completed an English subject
- completed five general subjects, or four general subjects plus one applied subject or VET course at AQF certificate III or above

Myth-need to do MAM, MAS, BIO,
CHM, PHY to scale higher

Bach. Environmental Science

Subject	Raw /100	Scaled/100	
Anc. History	90	91	✓
Biology	82	87	✓
Earth Env Sc	82	86	✓
English	76	84	✓
Geography	91	91	✓
Gen. Maths	82	82	✗

Rank order
ATAR
92.15

Myth - you can't do what you love

Bach./Masters Engineering

Subject	Raw /100	Scaled/100	
Engineer.	89	95	✓
English	74	83	X
Maths Meth.	92	97	✓
Music	97	91	✓
Physics	93	96	✓
Spec. Maths	91	98	✓

Rank order

ATAR

98.35



Producing Results

	2020	2021	2022
ATAR > 90	42%	40%	43%

2022 was the largest cohort of year 12 students to undertake an ATAR pathway at Mansfield SHS

ATAR greater than 90
State 25%
Mansfield 43%

Past student Katherine Nguyen



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Katherine Nguyen
Mansfield State High School



Learning is Our Work

School support is available though:

- SDP program
- Whole cohort presentations,
- Whole school work on retrieval strategy,
- Positive education strategies
- My Path conversations – across the whole school



Options for Senior 2024

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4 (Year 12 only)
School (may include certificate offered by school)	School + Certificate offered by external provider eg TAFE, Aviation Australia	School + SAT School based Apprenticeship or Traineeship	School + University Subject



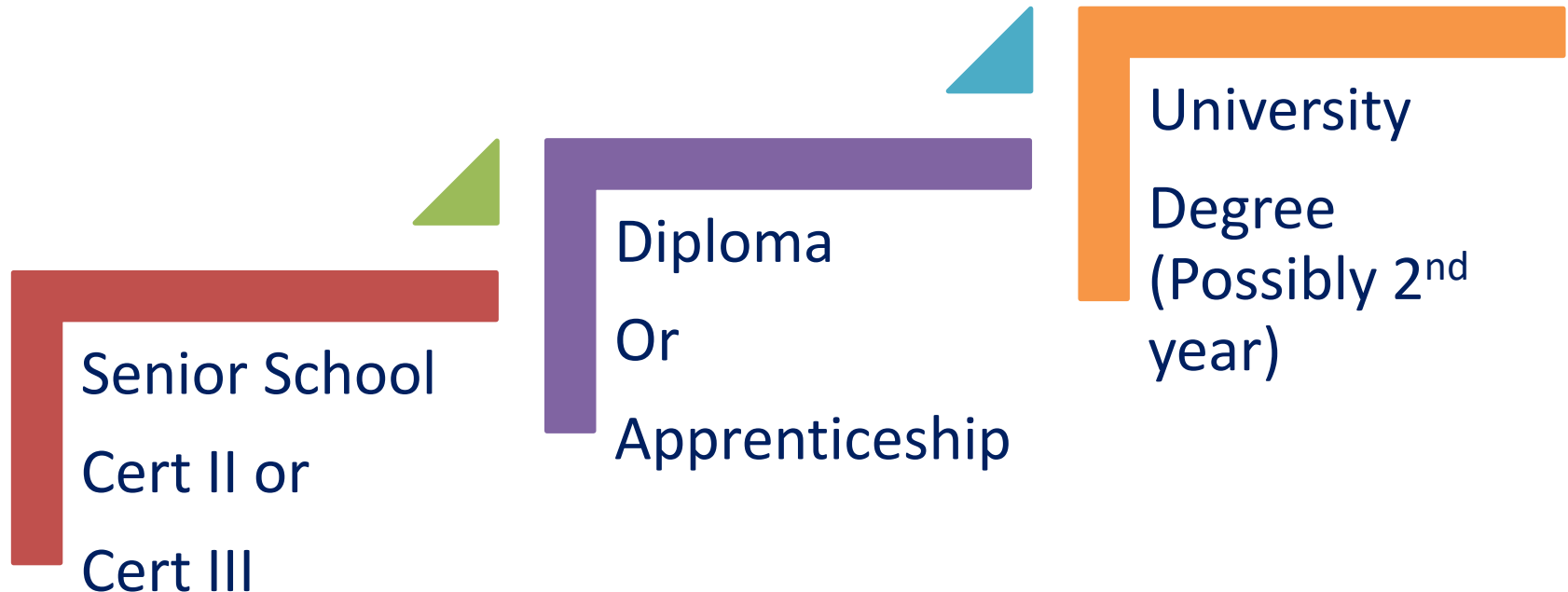
Benefits of studying VET in Schools (VETiS)

- gain valuable credits towards QCE
- may gain credits towards an apprenticeship
- gain direct entry into diploma courses, then on to university
- students become work ready
- build practical skills in an adult learning environment
- learn from professionals with current industry knowledge

VETiS funding can only be use for one qualification



Pathways after TAFE course





What is a SAT?

Work

Paid employment during
some school time



Training

with a Trainer, TAFE or other RTO

- students who successfully complete a SAT achieve a nationally recognised certificate / qualification.

Traineeships

- usually Cert I or Cert II courses
- in INDUSTRY areas (e.g. Retail, Business Admin).
- usually completed in 1 or 2 years part-time and are often completed by the end of Year 12.

Apprenticeships

- usually Cert III courses
- in TRADE areas (e.g. Plumbing, Carpentry).
- usually not completed by the end of Year 12 and students usually convert to a full time apprenticeship after Year 12.



Benefits for Students

By participating in a SAT program you will achieve:

- contribute credits towards QCE
- improvement in self-confidence and motivation
- development of employability skills through legitimate and relevant industry workplace experience
- “an edge over” peers when applying for jobs
- opening up other employment or career pathways



Who should undertake a SAT?

Students who:

- are in year 11 or 12 students
- are mature, responsible, motivated and committed to completing Year 12 and the SAT
- have a genuine interest in the chosen industry/occupation
- have the desire and ability to complete the required Certificate in the chosen industry and the work or work placement
- have parent/carer full support



When making subject Choose: selections

- Subjects that you like.
 - Subjects that you are good at.
 - Subjects that may be a prerequisite for further study or careers.
 - Consider a balance of subjects.
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Subject Selection

Remember:

- Choose carefully as subjects changes in Year 11 are not recommended as they may impact QCE eligibility and Year 12 results
- Historically, students may have very limited choices to change subjects due to class sizes and line structure



What do we want for our students?

Quality Learning In a Caring Environment

What does this mean to students?

Research says:

- Be a good person
- Be happy and healthy
- Social connectedness and positive relationships -
- Positive emotions

NOT about RESULTS alone

If you feel 'good', you are more able to 'do good'



Subject Selection

Important Dates

MyPath/SET Planning conferences with Parents & Teachers

When: Thursday 3 August 11:00am – 7:00pm.

Where: Science Centre

How: Parents make appointment through PTO

Pathways to QCE Subject Selection Forms submitted

These forms must be submitted on paper at the SET Planning conferences and online through OneSchool **on the same day.**



- **Monday 24 July: All About the ATAR**
- Presentation by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) for students interested in understanding the Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR).
- **Time:** 6.00pm – 6:45pm
- **Where:** Assembly Hall, Mansfield State High School
- **RSVP:** Please reserve a seat for your child and the accompanying parent using the booking link in the email sent 22 June 2023



Invitation to discuss questions with Heads of Departments