

Miles State High School

Subject Selection for Year 9 and 10

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Our Curriculum

Middle Secondary, Year 9 and 10 students at Miles State High School study a curriculum set down by ACARA and the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority. The aim of the School Curriculum is to introduce students to a wide range of subjects that students may not have had opportunity to cover at primary school, whilst allowing them to choose to study more in subjects where they have more interest.

As well as compulsory subjects English, Mathematics, Science and History, students are able to choose two elective subjects for study in years nine and ten, for three lessons a week. These electives follow on from offerings in Junior Secondary - Years 7 and 8. In some cases, there may be additional opportunities opening up in Year 10. All offerings are designed to assist in the preparation for Senior Secondary.

Opportunities for Support

Learning Support

For students experiencing some difficulty with their studies, the school provides support options. Staff will endeavour to meet the needs of learners requiring assistance by providing support in class. It is an expectation that students engaged in Learning Support are motivated to improve their skills and commit to all requirements of the course, including behaviour expectations.

Special Education Program

Miles State High School is a fully inclusive education model. Support for students with special needs will be managed by their assigned case manager.

A Guide to Selecting a Course of Study

The elective subjects you select for Year 9 and 10 are important. These subjects provide a stable base for your continued studies into the Senior Phase of your learning.

REMEMBER TO BE GUIDED BY:

- Your future needs
- Your interests
- Your abilities

DO NOT BE GUIDED BY:

- Your friends' choices
- Other family members' abilities in a given subject
- What others say about the subject (Do your own research into the subject)

THINK HARD BEFORE YOU MAKE YOUR SUBJECT CHOICES AND KEEP YOUR OPTIONS OPEN.

Subject Selection Process

Subjects for Middle Secondary are selected during Term 3 and a printout of selected subjects will need to be verified and signed by a parent/carer. Students will select their electives and will complete them over the course of two years. **Selections must be returned to school by Friday 23rd August 2024.**

The school will make every effort to accommodate the choices of students. However, students may be asked to re-select a subject where numbers are either insufficient to form a viable class, numbers are too large to be accommodated by our resources, or where students have not met the minimum requirements of the subject.

Year 9 and 10 Course Program

Each student's course of study will be a blend of compulsory and elective subjects. All subjects are timetabled for three lessons per week unless otherwise indicated:

Compulsory Subjects – all students will participate in the subjects listed below.

Subject	
English	Students can study Foundation English in Year 10
Mathematics	Students can study Foundation Maths in Year 10
Science	
Humanities	One semester of History, one term of Geography in both Year 9 and 10.
Health/Sport	All students are offered a sport selection and health and well being units through the Pastoral Care program

Elective Subjects – students select two electives as indicated on the subject selection sheet. They include:

Visual Art	Materials & Technologies Specialisations (Working with wood and metal) (By the end of Year 10, students will receive a Certificate 1 in Furnishing)
Food & Fibre Technologies (Cooking and sewing)	
Health & Physical Education	
Agricultural Science	
	Digital Technologies (Year 9)
	Cert II in Applied Digital Technologies (Year 10)

Assessment

School Based Assessment

- All students at Miles State High School work within the school-based assessment system. A student's achievements are measured against a standard indicated in a unit plan. Teachers have written extensive unit plans for each subject based on a syllabus provided by the National Curriculum or Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority. Unit plans are available on request to all parents and students for perusal.
- The Unit Plans and Semester Overviews list the content delivered to students, the practical skills required, the reasoning abilities to be developed and the attitudes appropriate to that subject. They also show how it is intended to achieve these learning goals, success criteria, the program of assessment and the marking guide used by teachers in making judgements about student's achievements.

Expenses

Expenses listed in this book are charges over and above the Resource Hire Scheme. These costs are indicative only and are accurate at the time of publication.

Public Liability

- Education Queensland has public liability cover for all approved school activities and provides compensation for students injured at school only when the Department is negligent. If this is not the case, then all costs associated with the injury are the responsibility of the parent or carer.
- Some school activities and physical education, particularly contact sports, carry inherent risks of injury. Parents are advised that the department does not have Student Accident Insurance cover for students.
- If your child is injured at school as a result of an accident or incident, all costs associated with the injury, including medical costs, are the responsibility of the child, parent or caregiver.
- Some incidental medical costs may be covered by Medicare. If parents have private health insurance, some costs may also be covered through their private health insurance. Any other costs would be borne by parents.
- Student Accident Insurance is an insurance policy that pays certain benefits in certain circumstances should your child have an accident.
- It is a personal decision for parents as to the types and levels of private insurance they arrange to cover their child for any accidental injury that may occur.
- Parents should contact their insurer or an approved Australian insurance broker for more information about student personal accident insurance cover for their child.

Careers related to Subjects in the Junior School

Have you thought about the type of work you would like to do when you finish school? It is wise to begin investigating possibilities early because the better informed you are the better decisions you will make in the future. As you learn more about yourself and about jobs, you may change your ideas about the types of jobs and careers in which you are interested. This is part of the process most people go through before deciding on a future career.

The following information can help you begin investigating careers by providing you with a selection of some careers that are related to the subjects you may be studying. You may wish to use the following steps:

- ↺ Identify the subjects you enjoy and do best
- ↺ Use this information to find the names of careers that are related to these subjects
- ↺ Gather information about these careers, e.g. you might explore online at Australian Career Information website at www.myfuture.edu.au.
- ↺ Talk to the Guidance Officer or Care Teacher.

History	Geography	Humanities (General)
Anthropologist	Agricultural scientist	Anthropologist
Archaeologist	Biological scientist	Archivist
Archivist	Cartographer	Child care worker
Barrister	Economist	Community Services aide
Community development officer	Environmental scientist	Correctional officer
Copywriter	Forest officer	Environmental scientist
Criminologist	Geographer	Geographer
Historian	Geologist	Library technician
Journalist	Hydrographer	Police officer
Lawyer	Landscape architect	Probation and parole officer
Librarian	Marine scientist	Public relations officer
Museum curator	Meteorologist	Recreation officer
Palaeontologist	Mining engineer	Religious leader
Public relations officer	Park ranger	Social worker
Religious leader	Surveyor	Sociologist
Sociologist	Town planner	Teacher – primary
Stage manager	Water resource officer	Teacher – secondary
Teacher – secondary	Water treatment engineer	Town planner
Writer		Trade union official
Mathematics	Science	English
Accountant	Automotive electrician	Actor
Architect	Cane tester	Broadcaster
Bank officer	Computer programmer	Speech pathologist
Bookkeeper/accounts clerk	Electrical fitter	Librarian
Credit manager	Electronics service person	Archivist
Economist	Environmental engineer	Interpreter
Electrical fitter	Laboratory worker	Diplomat
Fashion sales person	Marine engineer	Book editor
Geologist	Meteorologist	Publisher
Industrial biochemist	Miner	Author
Mathematician	Nurse – registered	Writer
Motor mechanic	Photographer	Journalist
Pattern cutter/designer	Plumber	Printing machinist
Programmer (information technology)	Refrigeration and air-conditioning mechanic	Travel consultant
Quantity surveyor	Sheet metal worker	Management consultant
Statistician	Telecommunication technician	Personnel manager
Surveyor	Tool maker	Teacher's aide
Tax agent	Veterinarian	Receptionist



Visual Art – The Arts	Health/Physical Education	Materials & Technologies Specialisations
Artist	Ambulance officer	Architect
Craftsperson	Chiropractor	Assembler
Diversional therapist	Fitness instructor	Builder
Dressmaker	Hospital manager	Cabinetmaker
Engraver	Lifeguard	Carpenter/joiner
Fashion designer	Massage therapist	Fitter
Florist	Nurse – enrolled	Graphic designer
Glass and glazing tradesperson	Occupational health and safety officer	Industrial designer
Graphic designer	Occupational therapist Physiotherapist	Landscape architect
Hairdresser	Podiatrist	Leadlight worker
Interior decorator	Psychologist – sport	Metal fabricator or machinist
Jeweller	Radiation therapist	Panel beater
Landscape architect	Recreation officer	Picture framer
Landscape gardener	Residential care worker	Sheet metal worker
Multimedia developer	Sportsperson	Town planner
Photographer	Stunt performer	Teacher – TAFE
Set designer	Teacher	Wood machinist
Screen printer		
Food and Fibre Production	Agricultural Science	
Bar attendant/ Barista	Soil Scientist	
Childcare worker	Agricultural Engineer	
Cook/chef caterer	Plant Pathologist	
Dietitian/nutritionist	Animal Scientist	
Environmental health officer	Agricultural Economist	
Fashion designer	Horticulturist	
Food technologist	Agricultural Extension Agent	
Health promotion officer	Environmental Consultant	
Home care worker	Crop Consultant	
Home economist	Agricultural Policy Analyst	
Hotel/motel manager	Precision Agriculture Specialist	
Kitchen hand	Livestock Manager	
Milliner	Food Scientis	
Nanny	Soil Scientist	
Nurse – registered	Agricultural Engineer	