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## YEAR 11 ENROLMENT

Dear St Joseph's College families

Years 11 and 12 are two of the most important years of your child's education. They represent the final stage of secondary schooling life and the first steps toward a future career pathway. At St Joseph's College, it is our mission to provide a wide range of student pathways for our senior students to ensure that as many students as possible are able to undertake Year 11 and 12 units of their first choice.

We believe St Joseph's College, offers the best environment locally for not just maximising ATAR scores but building the whole person with a focus on wellbeing and resilience.

Academically, our [Better Education](#) rankings show St Joseph's College students achieve. Last year across our region, St Joseph's College had the **highest percentage** of 40-plus VCE scores and **best median** VCE score. Among Catholic Schools, St Joseph's College is the highest performing co-educational college in the Ballarat Diocese and the highest ranked local secondary school in the Sunraysia district.

## STUDENT VOICE

Earlier this term we conducted a series of informal feedback/listening sessions with our Year 10 students to obtain their thoughts on future options and opportunities in Year 11. Primarily their goal was to achieve the best possible results with their VCE, VET and VCAL studies. Maximising their ATAR was important for many of the Year 10 students as well as the smaller classes and support from their teachers.

We are pleased to offer:

- Year 11 Common/Study room.
- A block of unscheduled class/study time.
- Year 11 Orientation NOVUS Urban residential experience at the University of Melbourne.
- Year 11 snow camp.

## PLANNING AHEAD

There are several reasons why we need to plan ahead. Unfortunately, in the past, the last minute notification to the College of Year 10 students exiting has presented us with some budgeting challenges. As you will appreciate, we need to create timetables early and appoint our educators in the 'right' roles in order to maximise your child's future success. Re-enrolment is also important as we prepare to commence the VCE and VCAL Orientation program later this year.

## COMMITMENT

To assist the final decisions regarding the Year 11 timetable and staffing, we kindly ask that that you read the [Agreement form](#), and return as a statement of your intention to enrol your child in Year 11 at St Joseph's College in 2021.

Please enclose a deposit of \$300.00 with the Agreement, which should be returned to the college office by **Friday August 21 2020**. This deposit will be deducted from your 2021 fees.

## FEE RELIEF

During these times, I am acutely aware of the hardships that have been placed on families in the workforce. Because of changing financial circumstances, some of you may be concerned about your capacity to meet the 2021 deposit.

It is very important that you know that we are with you and will work with you. Please contact our Business Manager, [Mr David Lim](#) via email if the above applies to your circumstances. To simplify the process, an [electronic request form](#) is now available for use. The form is self-explanatory, but if you feel it does not adequately cover your circumstances please do not hesitate to speak with Mr Lim. Please be assured that your dignity and privacy will be respected.

## IN CLOSING

We want our students to have every opportunity to study what they most enjoy. The deposit and statement of intention to re-enrol is due on **Friday August 21**. If not received by this date, student preferences will not be able to be included for subject selection and timetabling for 2021.

We wish our students well in their studies for 2020 and beyond. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely



**Mrs Marg Blythman**  
Principal