

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

This letter outlines course options for Year 11 students currently enrolled in the **General** stream of study which focuses on student achievement of their Western Australian Certificate of Education and on those students who are looking at apprenticeships, work, or further studies at TAFE after Year 12. Subject selection forms will be distributed electronically to families in Week 10 of Term 2. Please use this letter to discuss study options for Year 12 with your child.

In the General course, students will continue to study English General and Mathematics Essentials, however, there is choice as to what Production System class a student undertakes. In Year 12 they can choose to continue in the current Production System subject, as studied in Year 11 or choose, where possible, the alternative subject. It is recommended that a student completing Certificate III in Pork Production OR Advanced Wool Handling choose Animal Production Systems.

The Trades subjects will remain the same as Year 11 unless they are selected for a Certificate III in which case they must cease either a Trades course or Physical Education Studies. Due to timetable constraints, a student cannot be enrolled in Physical Education Studies and Certificate III in Agriculture or Pork Production. Certificate III candidates, please indicate which class you wish to cease by ticking the appropriate box.

Students may indicate if they would like to complete a Certificate III in Pork Production, Certificate III in Advanced Wool Handling or Certificate III in Agriculture.

Please note, due to the rigour, workload and theory component associated with Certificate III level, that in order to be selected for Certificate III students need to:

- Demonstrate a high level of organisational skills and be able to work independently
- Be awarded “Consistently” or “Often” on their attitude/behaviour/effort indicators on their Year 11 College report
- Meet minimum literacy and numeracy benchmarks in Year 11
- 95% attendance in Year 11 (exempting reasonable cause absences)
- Be prepared to commit to completing theory outside of school hours (prep, weekends, holidays etc.)
- Gain endorsement from an enterprise Technical Officer
- Remain in Week 7 of Term 4 (2023)
- Return in Term 4 (2024) upon request (subject to completion).

Certificate III in Agriculture and Pork Production students are required to complete a minimum of 5 days off-site industry experience (not at the College) undertaken outside of school hours. Many students have opted to complete these days during the school holidays. If you are applying to complete either Certificate III in Agriculture or Pork Production you must provide a list of possible off-site industry workplaces you could access.

The subject information below shows the pathways and gives a brief description of each subject. Please read through the information and discuss it with your son/daughter, in preparation for the distribution of subject selection forms.

Please click on the link below to view our 2023 Fees and Charges booklet for course pricing:
<https://cunderdinag.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/2023-Fees-and-Charges-Booklet.pdf>

The 2024 Fees and Charges Booklet will be updated on our website towards the end of the year.

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 9635 2100.

Kelsey Smith
Associate Principal
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SUBJECT DESCRIPTIONS

Animal Production Systems General

In the Animal Production Systems General course students learn about and apply operational practices to selected animal enterprises. Students apply natural resources, such as plants, animals, soil and water to the objective of meeting personal and community needs. They work with food and fibre production systems, applying sustainable farming practices and using appropriate agricultural technologies. This course provides the opportunity for students to prepare for post-school options of employment and further training.

Plant Production Systems General

In the Plant Production Systems General course students learn about and apply operational practices to selected plant enterprises. Students apply natural resources, such as plant varieties, climate, soil and water, to the objective of meeting personal and community needs. They work with food and fibre production systems, applying sustainable farming practices, and using appropriate agricultural technologies. This course provides the opportunity for students to prepare for post-school options of employment and further training.

Physical Education Studies General

Physical Education Studies contributes to the development of students' physical, social, and emotional growth. The Physical Education Studies General course provides students with opportunities to understand and improve performance through the integration of theoretical concepts and practical activities. Through engagement as performers, leaders, coaches, analysts and planners of physical activity, students may develop skills that can be utilised in leisure, recreation, education, sport development, youth work, health, and medical fields.

Certificate III in Advanced Wool Handling AHC33116

This qualification focuses on a specialist wool handling role and allows individuals who are already working in the wool handling industry to develop further skills and knowledge in order to fulfil specialist roles in the organisation. The wool industry expects individuals with this qualification to perform tasks involving a broad range of skilled applications applied in a wide variety of contexts, which may involve application of some discretion and judgement in selecting equipment, services or contingency measures.

Certificate III in Pork Production AHC30422

This qualification provides an occupational outcome in the pork industry. The pork industry expects that graduates from this qualification will be able to perform a range of tasks associated with a person performing the job role of a piggery attendant. Graduates from this qualification will be able to perform tasks involving a broad range of skilled applications applied in a wide variety of contexts, which may involve application of some discretion and judgement in selecting equipment, services or contingency measures.

Certificate III in Agriculture AHC30122

This qualification provides a general vocational outcome in agriculture. The qualification enables individuals to select a livestock production, cropping or livestock context as a job focus or, in the case of mixed farming enterprises, both cropping and livestock.