

KSC Career News - October 2026

Welcome

Welcome to the October Careers Newsletter for 2026. We are into the last term for the year as our senior student's prepare for the upcoming exam period.

Year 12 News

We wish the Year 12 student good luck with their upcoming Year 12 Exams. Students can change their preferences on their VTAC Applications up until 12 December, 2026, 12pm. Year 12 students will receive their ATAR results on the 10 December, 2026. The Careers Team will contact all Year 12 students during the Change of Preference time to see how the students are doing and if they need any help.

Year 11 News

As we head towards the end of the school year and nearly your VCE studies, please feel free to book a careers meeting to discuss university prerequisites, career ideas, or potential pathways for your future.

Click here to book an interview:
https://koonungcareers.com.au/for-students/appointment-booking

Yr 10 News

Year 10's attended the Monash University excursion on 14 October, 2026. Students learnt about the courses and services available at Monash University.







Upcoming Information Sessions

Victoria Police: Life at the Academy – Online Webinar
Organisation: Victoria Police
Location: Online
Date: October 28, 2026
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Yr 12 & Beyond with ADHD – Webinar for Year 12 Students and Parents
Organisation: ADHD Webinars
Location: Online
Date: October 29, 2026
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Procrastination & ADHD – Webinar for Year 10, 11, 12 Students and Parents
Organisation: ADHD Webinars
Location: Online
Date: November 5, 2026
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Holmesglen Institute Open Day, November 2026
Organisation: Holmesglen Institute
Location: Holmesglen Campuses
Date: November 12, 2026
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Victoria Police: Inside the Recruitment Process – Online Webinar
Organisation: Victoria Police
Location: Online
Date: November 12, 2026
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University of Melbourne Extension Program Application Support Session
Organisation: University of Melbourne
Location: Online
Date: November 17, 2026
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Victoria Police Careers Information Session – Victoria Police Centre (VPC)
Organisation: Victoria Police
Location: Victoria Police Centre
Date: November 17, 2026
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La Trobe Engineering and IT Showcase 2026
Organisation: La Trobe University
Location: La Trobe University, Union Hall
Date: November 18, 2026
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Meet an Enviro Scientist Panel from La Trobe – for Year 7-12 Students
Organisation: La Trobe University
Location: Online
Date: November 19, 2026
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Victoria Police: Life at the Academy – Online Webinar
Organisation: Victoria Police
Location: Online
Date: November 19, 2026
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AIE November Open Day, Melbourne
Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment
Location: Academy of Interactive Entertainment, Melbourne Campus
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with ADHD – Starting Strong in the Senior Years
Organisation: ADHD Webinars
Location: Online
Date: November 26, 2026
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Job Spotlight

How to become a Logistics Manager
Logistics Managers plan and coordinate the movement, storage, and distribution of food products, making sure goods travel from suppliers to customers efficiently and safely. They oversee warehousing, transport, and inventory systems, often managing teams and supplier relationships to keep food supply chains running smoothly and on schedule.
If you're highly organised, enjoy solving problems under pressure, and like keeping complex systems on track, this career could be a good fit for you.





What skills do I need as a Logistics Manager?

- Highly organised
- Confident problem-solver
- Strong communicator
- Calm under pressure
- Analytical thinking
- Reliable & accountable
- Tech-savvy mindset
- Skilled negotiator

What do Logistics Managers do?

Before your day gets moving, you're checking overnight updates, reviewing delivery schedules, and looking ahead at weather, traffic, or supplier issues that could disrupt planned freight movements. You'll also forecast demand, check stock levels against upcoming orders, and plan how goods will be stored and routed over the days ahead, factoring in which products need priority handling.

Once things are underway, you're coordinating freight and warehouse operations, tracking shipments in real time, and liaising with drivers, warehouse staff, and carriers to keep everything moving. Food logistics comes with extra pressure, since temperature-sensitive products need to stay within strict limits, so you're monitoring cold chain compliance closely throughout the day. When a delay, breakdown, or supplier issue threatens a delivery, you're the one working out a fix fast, often juggling several problems at once.

Periodically, you might review supplier contracts, audit warehouse or transport processes, or roll out new inventory and tracking software to improve efficiency. Many Logistics Managers specialise in a particular part of the food chain, such as fresh produce, cold storage, or export logistics, building deep expertise and strong industry contacts in that area over time.

What kind of lifestyle could I expect?

Logistics Managers work across food manufacturers, wholesalers, distribution centres, transport and freight companies, and supermarket chains. Some work for businesses that grow or produce food directly, while others work for third-party logistics providers who move goods on behalf of multiple clients. Most of your work is office or warehouse-based, though site visits to distribution centres, ports, or transport depots are a regular part of the role.

Food doesn't keep to a nine-to-five schedule, so while your base hours usually follow a standard working week, you'll often need to respond outside of them. Early starts are common to coordinate morning deliveries, and you might be on call to manage urgent issues like a





delayed shipment or a breakdown in the cold chain. Peak periods, such as holiday seasons or harvest times, tend to bring longer hours, tighter deadlines, and added pressure across the whole team.

The work is mentally demanding more than physically strenuous, though you'll be on your feet during warehouse or site visits and may need to move around large facilities. Some roles involve regular travel between sites, particularly in larger operations spanning multiple locations or regions. Salaries in this field tend to be above average, reflecting the responsibility involved, and the industry outlook remains steady as food businesses continue to invest in more efficient, technology-driven supply chains.

How to become a Logistics Manager

- **Build a strong foundation**: Focus on subjects like maths, business studies, and geography, which support the planning, forecasting, and problem-solving skills central to logistics work.
- **Gain relevant qualifications**: Study a degree or diploma in logistics, supply chain management, or business. Some Logistics Managers enter the field with a general business qualification and build supply chain knowledge on the job instead.
- **Start in an entry-level role**: Look for warehouse, transport administration, or dispatch coordinator roles with freight, distribution, or food production companies. These roles teach you how supply chains actually work day to day, from the ground up.
- **Develop specialist knowledge**: Build expertise in areas like cold chain management, food safety, or inventory software, which are especially valuable in food logistics and make you a stronger candidate for management roles as you progress.

From here, you could progress into senior or national logistics roles, move into supply chain strategy or procurement, specialise in a particular part of the food chain such as fresh produce or export logistics, or take on broader operations management responsibilities.

What can I do right now?

If you're in high school and interested in working as a Logistics Manager, here are some practical steps:

- Take on organising roles for school events or clubs, such as managing bookings, budgets, or equipment, to practise the planning skills logistics relies on.
- Look for part-time or casual work in a warehouse, supermarket, or retail store to see stock handling and supply processes firsthand.
- Ask a local distribution centre, transport company, or food business about work experience to get a look at how goods move from supplier to shelf.

