

Fairfield College

Year 10

Option Selection Booklet 2019

Be respectful
Be responsible
Be the best you can be



INFORMATION FOR YEAR 10 OPTION CHOICE

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa

This is an informative booklet that will help students to make good decisions around what options are available for Year 10 students in 2019.

Full descriptions of each option, the entry requirement (if any), and the costs associated with some options are provided.

Please ensure that all information is read carefully, before making decisions, so that students and parents are fully aware of what is covered in the option and the costs attached if applicable.

All students will do the following full year core subjects:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Physical Education and Health

In addition to this, students will choose FOUR options to study for the year. Students will also be asked to select TWO backup options in case their initial requests are unable to be met. Therefore, **students are to select six options, which need to be in order of preference. Only four of the options selected will be available to students, the other two are there as backup should one not be available.**

Ensure decisions on what options to take are based on what students are interested in, not what options other friends are taking, or which teacher is thought to be teaching that option.

Please complete the Year 10 Subject Choice form (separate to this booklet) and return it to the Student Service Centre **by Wednesday 31st of October 2018.**

If you are struggling with making a decision on what options to take, students and parents are encouraged to talk to any of the following people for advice:

- Waananga Akotahi teacher (pouako)
- Junior Academic Dean, Miss Charlotte Willson
- Year 9 Dean, Ms Julie Wright
- Teachers of the options they are interested in
- Pathways Director, Mr Michael Smith

If students do not return the option sheets by Wednesday 31st of October 2018, students may not be able to take the preferred course of study.

10 DIT

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

Develop digital literacy in computational thinking, problem solving, digital media and information management. This includes programming, media creation and the management of information. The software and applications taught include graphical and text based programming, digital media applications, Google Suite and Microsoft office. This leads to NCEA Level 1 digital courses in Year 11.

\$ No cost

10 DRA

DRAMA

This course is designed to teach speech and movement skills, develop ideas in drama and perform and interpret drama. Students will cover both improvisation and scripted work. By the end of the semester, students will gain confidence and team building skills.

\$ No cost

10 DEM

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY METAL

Students will work towards developing workshop skills. They will use a range of materials and processes with a strong emphasis on the construction of projects. Students are given full instruction in the correct use and care of the tools and machines they use. This course leads to Year 11 Engineering.

\$ 20

Cost covers materials and equipment needed for take home projects over two terms.

10 DEW

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY WOOD

In this course students will work towards developing workshop skills. They will use a range of materials and processes with a strong emphasis on the construction of projects. Students are given full instruction in the correct use and care of the tools and machines they use. This course leads to Technology and Building in senior school.

\$ 20

Cost covers materials and equipment needed for take home projects over two terms.

10 ELE

ELECTRONICS

In this course students will learn to identify and use basic electronic components in circuits and systems. This course has a strong practical focus where students will learn and apply electronic concepts.

\$ 20

Cost covers materials and equipment needed for take home projects over two terms.

10 FOT

FOOD TECHNOLOGY

This course will help students to gain basic practical skills in the preparation of food. A strong emphasis will be on preparing food safely and providing easy economical meals. Students will enjoy the opportunity that Food Technology offers.

\$ No cost

10 GRA

GRAPHICS

This course will look at the wider field of graphic communication. The focus will be on spatial and product design, incorporating a broad range of drawing and media. Both freehand instrumental and computer drawing skills will be developed. Students will participate in a variety of design and drawing experiences which will be challenging and creative, as well as enjoyable and useful. These experiences will draw upon students' interests and cultural backgrounds.

\$ No cost but optional graphics pack available

10 HORT

HORTICULTURE/GROWING PLANTS

This course is about how to grow plants and why they are important. Links will be made to show the connectedness between all living things and the Earth. The students will learn simple techniques of propagation and some basic information about plants, soils and fertilisers. They will also be involved in helping develop and maintain a Community Garden at the school. This course provides background knowledge and skills that can help students achieve in Year 11 Horticulture and Year 12 Land Based Skills.

\$ No cost

10 MAN

MANDARIN

By the end of Year 10, students will be able to interact actively in Chinese in a variety of everyday situations and use a wider range of Chinese characters in written work. Students will deepen their understanding of Chinese culture and make some comparisons about how it differs from New Zealand. As they participate in activities such as dialogues, games, songs and role-playing, students will learn how to talk and write about their likes and dislikes including sports, leisure activities, food, clothing, colours and school life. There will also be some cultural activities about China and the Chinese-speaking world, festivals, food, movies and family life.

\$ No cost

10 MUS

MUSIC

Year 10 Music covers an introduction to performance, song writing and theory. It prepares students for entry into NCEA Level 1 Music. All students taking Year 10 Music are advised to have weekly instruments lessons, either through school or privately.

\$ No cost

10 ISA

SERVICES ACADEMY

This is a military designed programme for Year 10 students. The programme provides valuable life skills and great experiences delivered by an ex-service person. This programme is experienced-based focusing on student's attitude and discipline. The programme includes practical and theory lessons such as: goal setting, learning to learn, time management, self-management, and physical training.

\$ No cost

10 OPE

ADVANCED PHYSICAL & OUTDOOR EDUCATION

This is a high performance physical and outdoor education course that will provide students with the knowledge and skills to develop towards their potential in their chosen sports and/or outdoor pursuits. Content includes: goal setting and time management, personal fitness training, technique and skill development, sports psychology, mental skills training and leadership and team building. All of these skills will be developed in sports and fitness contexts as well as outdoors based activities, such as abseiling, rock climbing, camping and tramping.

Entry is subject to approval from HOF.

\$ 60

Cost covers travel and accommodation for day trips and camps.

10 MAO

TE REO MAAORI

This is a lively course which focuses on speaking and listening skills in Te Reo, with opportunities to further develop reading and writing ability. A full range of modern approaches to language acquisition will be included. The aim is to prepare students for NCEA Level 1 Te Reo Maaori.

\$ No cost

10 TET

TEXTILE & DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

This course has a strong practical focus where students learn to combine basic design ideas with practical skills. A range of skills will be developed as students create their own articles from fabric. Students will enjoy making their own designer cushion, PJ shorts and a pair of onesies for the ambitious.

\$ 30

Cost covers fabric and patterns needed to create take home projects over two terms.

10 TOI

TOI WHAKAIRO/MAAORI CARVING

An introduction to Toi Whakairo, students will learn to explore Kowhaiwhai designs through different media, drawing, painting, carving wood. Students will apply various surface patterns to a particular carving. This would look like carving Kowhaiwhai in various forms.

\$ 25

Cost covers materials and equipment needed for take home projects over two terms.

10 ARC

VISUAL ARTS

This programme focuses on developing the technical skills, visual awareness and critical thinking required for entry into NCEA Level 1 Achievement Standards. Careers in Architecture, Design and Fine Art needs a foundation in art skills. Students taking art for interest only are just as welcome as those needing to study art for future pathways

\$ No cost