Bayside Christian College

Year 9 Program
Secondary Pathways Expo

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Year 9 Program Overview

The Year 9 program is designed to accommodate components of the Australian and Victorian curriculum and provides a list of **core** subjects and expanded choice-based **electives** program.

Year 9 students will complete **five** core subjects and will choose **two electives per semester** with Physical Education being a compulsory semester-based subject.

Year 9 is an important year for students as it lays the foundation for their future academic and career paths.

Core Subjects at Year 9

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Humanities
- Bible
- PE*

**Compulsory Semester-based subject*

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Elective Subject Options

- Agriculture
- Art
- Athletic Development
- Design Technology
- Digital Technology
- Drama
- Food Technology
- Indonesian
- Media
- Music
- Outdoor & Environmental Studies
- Visual Communication Design

Elective Structure

Each subject within the Years 9/10 Elective program have a total of nine (9) periods per two week cycle.

This means that they are given the **same time fraction as the core subjects for the semester**.

Year 9 Structure

Subject	Qty
English	9
Mathematics	9
Science	9
Humanities	9
Bible Studies	4
Elective Block 1 *(Including one semester of Physical Education)*	9
Elective Block 2	9
Assembly and Worship Service	2
Total	**60**

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English	9
Mathematics	9
Science	9
Bible Studies	4
Elective Block 1 *(Including one semester in each of History* and Physical Education)*	9
Elective Block 2 or VCE or VM Acceleration Block	9
Elective Block 3	9
Assembly and Worship Service	2
Total	**60**

** Students completing Year 10 VM do not complete a semester of Year 10 History.*

Exams

At Year 9, students will sit **mid-year and end-of-year examinations** for their core subjects in preparation for higher studies. These include:

- English
- Maths
- Humanities
- Science

(90 minutes per exam)

Year 9 Camp

- Burnside Baptist Camp
- Last week of Term 1
- Exciting adventure and beach style camp
- Team building - Problem solving games
- Bush walking, Beach activities
- Fishing (Bring your own Rod)
- Organised Games
- Dolphin Swim

Year 9 Service Week

Service Week provides the opportunity for students to be exposed to a variety of possibilities to serve and experience what it is like to focus on helping others.

- Students reflect on God’s calling to help others
- Students visit organisations that are actively helping others (Salvos etc.)
- Students engage in multiple charitable works, E.g. Blessing Bags

Year 9 Leadership Week

Provides students with an opportunity to think about the world, their place in it, and how to lead. The program is based on a Melbourne city experience.

- Students travel into and return from the city on their own initiative
- Days are around the themes of: Heritage - Diversity - Recreation
- Students experience opportunities to be active participants in our culture by leading others
- In the past, students have raised money and awareness for the Cancer Council and partnered with Street Peace.

Thank You!

Other information sessions tonight:

5:15pm - Year 10 Central Australia Camp

5:30pm - Finding your Pathway **(repeat)**

6:00pm - VCE Pathway and Acceleration

6:30pm - VCE-VM Pathways and Trades Skills Centre

Subject selections close: Friday 31 July.