

## Year 9/10 Course Selections - Semester 2, 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

In week 7 (Monday 5 June to Sunday 11 June) students in years 9 and 10 will be making their course selections for semester 2, 2017. This will be an **online process** which can be completed either at school or at home with support from parents and carers. The survey can be completed on any device (phone/tablet) by typing in the URL below and following the prompts on the survey. The Library computers will also be made available at all break times during week 6. The online process is not a 'first in best dressed' survey and your child will not be disadvantaged by completing the survey at the end of the time period. All choices must be finalised by midnight Sunday 11 June.

To complete the survey at home, please use the following web link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/calwellhs>

Below are the Year 9/10 courses available in semester 2, 2017. Information about new courses will be presented to the students during a special Course Selection Assembly on Friday 2 June. Please refer to the Semester 2, 2017 Course Selection Guide for more detailed information regarding each course.

Line 5	Line 6	Line 7
<p><b><u>Dance/HPE Units:</u></b> Core HPE 4 Talented Sports Program (TSP) 4</p> <p><b><u>Arts Units:</u></b> World of Music Foundation Art Drama – Theatre for the Young</p> <p><b><u>Technology/IT Units:</u></b> Wood Design (Intro &amp; Advanced) Community Projects Food Skills eSports and digital technologies</p> <p><b><u>Specialist Units</u></b> LIFT (by selection)</p>	<p><b><u>Dance/PE Units:</u></b> Choreography 4 (by selection) Core HPE 4</p> <p><b><u>Arts Units:</u></b> Sculpture and Installation</p> <p><b><u>Technology Units:</u></b> Metal Design (Intro &amp; Advanced) Media – Film and TV Patisserie</p> <p><b><u>Specialist Units</u></b> History in Detail 4</p>	<p><b><u>Dance/PE Units:</u></b> TEAM Boys' HPE (9 and 10) LIFT Girls Physical Education Dance Ensemble 4</p> <p><b><u>Arts Units:</u></b> Draw and Illustrate</p> <p><b><u>Technology Units:</u></b> Digital Photography and Design Catering and Hospitality 1-4 Multicultural Foods</p> <p><b><u>Specialist Units</u></b> LSC Learning Skills</p>

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During the survey, students will indicate preferences for each line, using the following guidelines:

1. Students **MUST** choose Core HPE/Dance on at least 1 Line to access the mandatory health curriculum. TEAM and LIFT HPE incorporate the health curriculum.
2. If students choose TSP then a Core HPE or Dance/Choreography course must also be selected.
3. For all other courses - students can only study the same course **ONCE** over years 9 and 10. For some courses there is more than 1 unit (eg. Introduction and Advanced Metal/Wood). Example...if they have already completed *Introduction to Wood Design* then they **CAN** enroll in *Advanced Wood Design*. But they cannot do *Wood Design* a third time.
4. Students will be asked to rank each choice by their preferences for each line eg. 1 - 5.
6. Students **MUST** do at least 1 Arts course and 1 Technology course over Year 9 and 10 to qualify for their Year 10 certificate.

**N.B. Students MUST RANK ALL PREFERENCES on each line as their choice for rank 1 does not guarantee that they will be selected for that course. This means that if there are not enough spaces in the course or it clashes with other courses they have chosen we will select another course for them, dependent upon class sizes and their other ranking choices. We will do our best to allocate them on their top 3 choices.**

**If in the event there is low demand for a course, it will not run. Any students that selected that class will be given their second or third preferences if available.**

If they are in preselected courses such as TEAM/LIFT/LSC/Choreography then they will be placed in these classes regardless of their selection survey results. So choosing wisely for other lines is advised.

Placements in classes will be based on availability and class sizes. They will be notified of their placement in classes at the beginning of semester 2, 2017.

There will be a small window of opportunity for students to change courses within the first 2 weeks of semester 2, 2017. Strict guidelines for changing classes must be adhered to and each student will be advised on this process.

For further information regarding specific courses, please refer to the Course Selection Guide or contact the Executive of the faculty in question.

For any further questions regarding the course selections process, please contact Mr Steven Deans.

All executive teachers can be contacted on (02) 6205 6833 or via email which is available from the website below.

Yours sincerely,

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