Year 8
Elective Handbook 2017
Campbell High School

Semester 2 Sign up

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2017 Year 8 Elective Choices Information Sheet

Students in Year 8 have the opportunity to select some of their units of study for the year.

All students will continue to study:

English	**Science**	**Languages**
Mathematics	**SOSE**	**Physical Education and Health**.

However, you need to select two semester units.
One semester from The Arts and one semester from Design and Digital Technologies.
Select a subject now for semester 2.
If you completed an Arts in semester 1 then semester 2 will need to be a Technologies subject and vice versa.
So you will need to complete a subject from the other subject area for semester 2

The Arts	**Design and Digital Technologies**
Visual Arts	Food Technology
Music Workshop	Wood Technology
Drama	Metal Technology
Media Arts	Digital Technology

OR

A. two semesters of Band

Information about each of these courses and units is provided on the following pages.
Please take time to read this information and to discuss the choices with your child.
Students should not assume that they will be able to study their first choice subject and should carefully consider their other preferences.

Any further queries about the Year 8 Electives should be directed to Ron Vandergugten on 6142 3194 or ron.vandergugten@ed.act.edu.au

The Arts Band Program

Unit Title: BAND

Unit Description:

Students study and perform on their selected instruments in a group. Theory is studied appropriate to the level of repertoire performed. Students study the basic elements of music notation: rhythm, pitch and beat. They compose and perform original compositions. They also research and present information about music artists in written and verbal format.

Material costs: $30.00

The Arts Unit Descriptions

Unit Title: Visual Arts

Unit Description:

Students are introduced to the theory and application of the visual language of Art and Design. They explore and experiment with a variety of mediums and study artworks from many different settings. Students will have the opportunity to develop visual making skills and techniques such as drawing, print making, sculpture, painting and perspective drawing and computer graphics.

Material costs: $35.00

Unit Title: Music Workshop

Unit Description:

This is a practical unit in which students will focus on developing their own instrumental or vocal skills through individual or collaborative studies. Students explore the language and elements of music found within their own space, globally and historically. They will develop and experience the making of their own original musical works.

Material costs: $15.00

Unit Title: Drama

Unit Description:

The focus of this course is in developing skills and techniques in character creation and play-building in order to create collaborative performances for particular occasions and audiences.

Material costs: 25.00

Unit Title: Media Arts

Unit Description:

This course provides students with opportunities to explore ideas and develop skills in a wide range of communication technologies. Students view, discuss and evaluate contemporary and historic artworks from diverse cultures, societies and institutions. They acquire skills in identifying and applying art concepts to their own work in video and digital graphics.

Material costs: 25.00

Design and Digital Technologies Unit Descriptions

Unit Title: Food Technology

Unit Description:

This course is based on making wise food choices with reference to the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating. Students will learn about the value of foods from the core food groups and apply correct techniques to prepare these foods in a variety of sweet and savoury dishes.

Material costs: $45.00

Unit Title: Wood Technology

Unit Description:

The study of Wood Technology builds on the basics taught in year 7 and helps students develop an understanding of wood and wood working processes. Students learn the safe use of tools and equipment in the workshop and create projects using techniques of increasing complexity. They are involved in preparing and shaping timber, joining materials and applying finishing techniques. They are introduced to equipment such as the lathe, portable electric and battery drills, finishers and disc sanders. As part of the design process students will learn how to evaluate their projects.

Material costs: $30.00

Unit Title: Metal Technology

Unit Description:

In this course students develop an understanding of metal and metal working processes. They will learn to safely use a range of materials, tools and techniques to construct projects of increasing difficulty. The topics and processes covered include accurate marking and drilling procedures, shaping materials by hand and machine, using sheet metals, reading and following working drawings, using the metal lathe, joining materials and techniques for finishing projects.

Material costs: $30.00

Unit Title: Digital Technology

Unit Description:

In this course students develop an understanding digital systems. They will plan and manage projects to create interactive information using general purpose programming languages to game construction software. They will have opportunities to create a range of digital solutions, such as interactive web applications, completing robotic simulations and printed 3D prototypes.

Material costs: $15.00