



Wyndham Central College Career News

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The Wyndham Central College Career Newsletter will be published weekly to keep students informed of events relating to their career pathways. It will include information regarding tertiary pathways – University & TAFE – as well as employment/industry pathways. The Careers Centre, in the Monash Building, is a resource centre for our students with current institutional handbooks and brochures at their disposal. Students are invited to visit, browse and question. An open door policy is provided to ensure students make informed decisions about future pathways. Year 10 & 11 Pathway Meetings will be continuing this term.

Important Dates

**Closing date for change of address and payment to receive ATAR statement by mail:
Tuesday 6 December 2022 (5pm)**

**VCE results and ATAR scores will be available online from Monday 12th December 2022 at 7am.
Change of preference close – 14th December**

VCE results and ATAR scores (the paper documents) should be in the post: date TBC.

December Offer Round: Offers Released Wednesday 21 December 2022(VTAC account 2pm)

January Offer Round: Offers released Friday 13th January 2023 (VTAC Account 2pm).

Year 12 Morning Tea:

All Year 12 students are invited to a morning tea in the Careers Centre on Monday 12th December from 10am till 12:30 pm.

This will assist students to wind down after the rigours of Year 12, to discuss their results, change preferences and pathway options and make an appointment to see Mrs. Karlovic.

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Early Entry Programs

La Trobe University: Aspire Year 11 Conditional Offer (ATAR free)

- are you in Year 12?
- are you feeling worried about your exams and ATAR?
- are your Year 11 marks above 65%?
- would you like to study at La Trobe University in the future?

If you answered yes to the above, you may be interested in applying for the new Aspire Year 11 Conditional Offer program.



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This pathway unlocks more than 150 courses at La Trobe (e.g., nursing, criminology, social work, engineering) and is the perfect way to take the stress out of year 12.

For information on this program and how to apply, visit www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire

Note: this pathway is also open to students who have received a conditional offer for the Aspire Community Contribution program.

Victoria University - VU Guaranteed

Victoria University has temporarily re-opened applications for the VU Guaranteed program.

This program guarantees you a place Victoria University or Victoria University Polytechnic, not a specific course.

Applications close Friday 4 November, www.vu.edu.au

Federation University - \$20 meal voucher

Federation University is gifting 3000 Year 12 students a \$20 meal voucher in recognition of their hard work this year. There are only a few vouchers left.

Please register your interest via <https://events.federation.edu.au/Year12support2022/>

Employment

Farm Jobs in Regional Areas

If you are looking for a casual farm job over the summer holidays, Harvest Trail Information Service is a company that can assist.

This is a free service to job seekers - <https://bit.ly/31IQhoy>

J.P. Morgan - Business Traineeship

J.P. Morgan is an international bank. An exciting position at Sydney has become available for a Year 12 graduate to undertake a 2-year traineeship program within J.P. Morgan's Security Service business. The traineeship covers custody, fund services and market operations.

For information on the position and how to apply, visit <https://bit.ly/3fodaHW>

Interested in Taking a Gap Year?

What is a Gap Year? Traditionally a gap year was taken by Year 12 students who deferred their university studies for 12-months. Now gap years are taken by students who would like to delay their TAFE or university studies or apprenticeships.



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What are the benefits of taking a gap year?

There are many benefits for young people – the following are several:

- Financial: save money to fund future study/training.
- Career development: complete a traineeship, TAFE course, volunteering etc., before starting university studies. This may improve your graduate employment prospects and give you practical employment skills.
- Take a break: if you're feeling burnt out from study, taking a break may be beneficial for your mental wellbeing.
- Give you time to firm up your future goals: if you're feeling unsure about your study or training plans, a gap year may give you time to explore your goals, attend open days, participate in work or training related to your interests, and give you more time to make sure the course or training you want to do in the future is right for you.

Gap Year Programs

Year13 have put together a list of companies that offer working holidays, travel, and volunteer gap year programs.

Visit - <https://year13.com.au/explore/travel>

YEAR 10 - 12 STUDENTS

Note: the following information is for Year 12 students and Year 10 and 11 students who have family and school support to exit from school.

TAFE Applicants

Applications are open for most TAFE institutes and private providers.

The following is important to know:

- Competitive courses may have early closing dates
- You may need to complete additional tasks as part of your application such as portfolios, literacy and numeracy tests, information sessions, applying for a Working With Children Check, etc.
- For examples of TAFE courses and why TAFE is a fantastic post school pathway, download a resource via <https://bit.ly/3jZxBd6>

Apprenticeship/Traineeship Applicants

Now is a great time to be searching for your dream apprenticeship/traineeship!



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There are many positions available for enthusiastic young people who are keen to work hard, earn while you learn, and obtain a portable qualification.

It's important to sign up to local Apprenticeship Network Providers. They will be able to assist you with your search. You can find their contact details via www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au/apprentices

Australian Apprenticeships Pathways has developed a fantastic 4-step process for students to follow when seeking an apprenticeship or traineeship.

Visit: www.aapathways.com.au/

YEAR 11 STUDENTS

Early Entry Programs

La Trobe University Aspire Program – Year 11 Conditional Offer

Year 11 students are invited to apply for this fantastic early entry program. Please find information on the previous page.

Victoria University – VU Guaranteed

This program guarantees you a place at the University, not a specific course. A great benefit of being accepted is you will be awarded 5 ATAR adjustments towards your application for courses for the 2024 intake. Applications close Friday 4 November, www.vu.edu.au

VCE Summer School

The University of Melbourne Student Union is running their annual VCE Summer School for 2023 Year 12 students between 9 – 20 January 2023. The 2-week program will be run mainly on-campus. Students will be able to get a head start on their studies, develop study skills, and receive tutoring for their Unit 3-4 subjects.

Registrations close 22 November and you will need to organise a letter of support from your school. Regional students can apply to live on campus during the program for a fee.

Visit - <https://umsu.unimelb.edu.au/things-to-do/>

Cyber Security

The Australian Defence Force Cyber Gap Program (online)

This program is for you if:

- You are an Australian citizen
- You want to be a cyber-warrior or be on the front line in cyberspace
- You are planning to study cyber security at university or TAFE in 2024



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- You would like assistance and mentoring
- Would like assistance with your course fees – you will be reimbursed up to \$15,000

At the end of your studies, there's no obligation to join the ADF. Year 11 students can apply for this amazing program during Year 12 for the 2024 intake.

Bookmark the following page and check for application dates next year - <https://dta.gov.au/cybergap>

ALL STUDENTS

Employment

With the summer holidays coming up, now is the perfect time to start applying for jobs. There are several methods for finding employment.

The following explores three:

1. Cold Calling

Did you know that many jobs aren't advertised? These employers rely on word of mouth and /or contact people who drop in resumes to their business. This is called 'cold calling'. What does this mean for you?

It means you have to be:

- **Proactive**

Get your resume and cover letter together, use/buy/borrow a smart outfit and hit the streets. Employers love young people who demonstrate initiative and independence.

- **Organised**

Ask someone to go over your resume to look for spelling and grammatical errors. Ensure it is formatted correctly and no more than 2-pages. Be careful of using online resume builders as often the formatting looks poor.

Youth Central has excellent sample resumes, www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au

- **Engaged**

Let everyone know you are looking for casual employment. Word of mouth is a powerful tool to finding a job. Contact the referees on your resume to let them know they may receive calls from employers.

2. Register with Businesses

Some businesses allow prospective employees to register with their organisation and apply for jobs advertised on their website.

Access a list of casual job links to get started via <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

3. Search for Advertised Jobs

Apart from the links above, the following websites are great to bookmark and check regularly:



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www.seek.com.au

<https://au.jora.com/>

<https://au.indeed.com/>

Also check the classified section in your local newspaper.

Excellent Job Seeking Resources

For job seeking tips, and resume/cover letter templates, check out the resources at Youth Central-

www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au

Rights and Responsibilities

Know your rights and responsibilities when starting a new job.

Visit: www.fairwork.gov.au

Tax File Number (TFN)

If you don't have a TFN, you will need to apply for one via the Australian Tax Office -

www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Tax-file-number/

Learn about safety in the workplace

Learn how to stay safe at work.

Visit: www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/young-workers

Careers in Technology

The following articles have been written by the amazing staff at Careers With STEM:

- **The A-Z of Tech Degrees and Diplomas**
- There are so many different careers in the tech sector – and equally as many study pathways to get you there! If you're looking for undergraduate opportunities, this epic list of tertiary tech options should give you some ideas, <https://bit.ly/3fnTIAo>

Get into Tech via VET

Heading to university isn't the only way to land a career in tech!

VET pathways can lead to some pretty cool next-gen opportunities.

Systems engineer Chris Williamson went to TAFE and hasn't looked back! <https://bit.ly/3TPpK1P>



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Your Career in Cyber Security

Check out the latest special edition of Careers with STEM to help find your dream job in cyber security, <https://bit.ly/3TUSZQM>

Want to Work in Tech with Animals?

Love animals? Next-gen vets and zoologists are seriously teched up. If you're keen on animals, chances are you've considered a career as a vet, zoologist, marine biologist or maybe even a wildlife researcher. It's an awesome way to combine your favourite STEM subjects with a genuine passion. And your colleagues?

Cutest workmates ever!

Visit: <https://bit.ly/3SV9o6G>

Download the Latest Tech Careers Magazine

Check out the latest edition of Careers with STEM to help you find your dream job in the booming technology sector.

Visit: <https://bit.ly/3DwirF8>

Video: Your Engineering Pathway Sorted

If you're interested in engineering, you're not limited in your career or study choices! Here, we take you through how to start searching for your perfect engineering path.

Visit: <https://bit.ly/3SVScxG>

Early Childhood Education

Over the next few years, the Victoria Government will be creating thousands of new early childhood education jobs to support their new Free Kinder for three- and four-year old children.

Year13 has put together a brand-new short course called Serious about Play in conjunction with the Department of Education and Training Victoria. This program will give a look into the attributes, skills and qualifications they will want to begin an exciting journey as an Early Childhood Teacher or Educator.

Visit: <https://year13.com.au/academy/>

Dates for Your Diary

Australian Institute of Music (AIM)

On Thursday 10 November, AIM will be running the following events for prospective students at the Melbourne campus:

- A Day in the Life Workshop: AIM Experience Day
- Entertainment Management Workshop



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For information and to RSVP your place, visit www.aim.edu.au

Endota Wellness College

Endota Wellness College is located at Melbourne and offers courses in Beauty, Massage and Salon Management. An open day will be run on Saturday 3 December for prospective students during November. For information, visit <https://endotawellnesscollege.edu.au/>

Medicine and Dentistry

The following companies are running information sessions, webinars and workshops on the UCAT and also interview preparation sessions for Year 12 students who may be shortlisted for an interview:

- NIE, www.ucat.edu.au
- MedEntry, www.medentry.edu.au

Victoria Police

Victoria Police are running career information sessions at various locations across Victoria until the end of the year.

For information and to register your place, visit www.police.vic.gov.au

Australian Defence Force

Interested in a career in the Army, Navy or Air Force?

Check the amazing career information sessions running across the country and online.

Visit: www.defencejobs.gov.au/events

Online Tech Career Expo

Reminder

Australia's biggest online exhibition is back! Year13 is pleased to bring you the 2022 Tech Expo, in partnership with the Digital Skills Organisation.

With webinars from inspirational, successful and innovative speakers in the tech industry, plus educators and exhibitors - there's everything you need to get started in a career in tech. All aspects of jobs, education and digital skills will be covered within three virtual stages.

You can access the content on demand. For information visit <https://year13.com.au/>



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