

# MOUNTAIN CREEK State High School



## 2022

### Senior Secondary Pathway Selection QCE Guide



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Excellence

The Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)

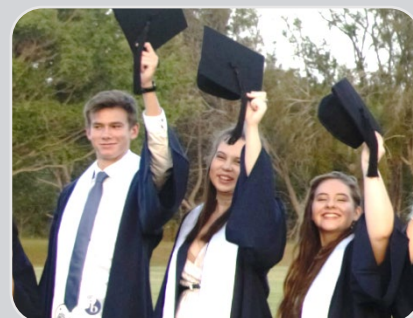
The QCE is Queensland's senior schooling qualification. It is internationally recognised and a sign of academic and personal success. The QCE is also flexible and allows you to design a pathway that's right for you — whether you plan to:

- study at university
- look for skilled work
- complete technical and further education (TAFE) or other training.

Staff at MCSHS will work with you and your parents/carers to develop a plan to help you:

- think about your education, training and career goals after Year 12. SET planning in ONESCHOOL and Access classes will help you to research and identify possible pathways for your future studies.
- tailor your learning in Years 11 and 12 to your abilities, interests and ambitions. By participating in Student-led ECP (Educational Careers Pathway) meetings, you will be able to plan your current and future studies and act and reflect upon your learning progress.
- map your pathway to a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). The MyQCE website will help you to track your QCE credits and you will find numerous supporting information and links to your future studies.

## QCE Pathways at Mountain Creek State High School



### QCAA

The Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) calculate ATARs for students at the end of Year 12. QTAC calculate your ATAR based on your results in either:

- 5 General subjects, or
- 4 General subjects, plus one Applied subject, or
- 4 General subjects, plus one VET qualification at Certificate III or above.

### VOCATIONAL

VET is an important part of senior schooling for many students. Approximately 60% of Queensland senior students achieve VET qualifications. In recent years the most popular courses have been in business, information & communication technology (ICT), hospitality, construction, fitness, and sport and recreation.

### IBDP

The IB Diploma is a world-recognised curriculum for high academic achievers that prepares you for university study.

When you complete Years 11 and 12 in a Queensland IB school you will be awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) in addition to the IB Diploma.

Currently, the senior years of schooling are directed by two curriculum frameworks, one operating within Education Queensland and the other externally moderated by the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO).

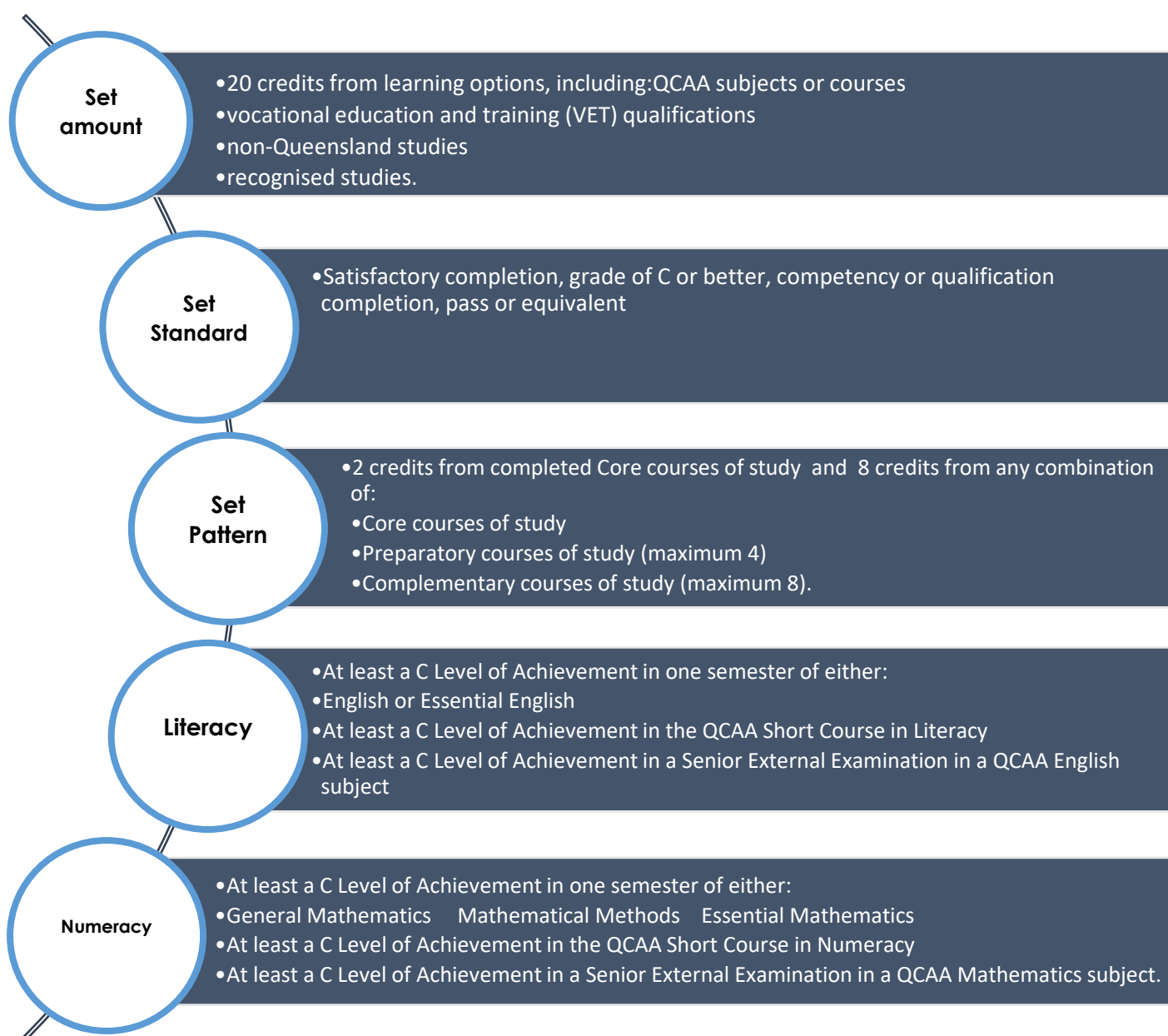
### Year 10

While the Year 10 curriculum is guided by the KLA Syllabuses, the focus is on preparing students for the QCAA Senior School Certificate or the IB Diploma. The curriculum in Year 10 provides students with the opportunity to trial senior subjects to ensure that the subject selection for Year 11 and 12 are both relevant to career goals and provide the best opportunity for successful outcomes.

### Year 11 and 12

Students in Year 11 and 12 have the option of studying either the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) Senior Certificate or the International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBDP)

## QCE Requirements



**Core Subjects.** At least 12 credits must come from completed core courses of study



Up to 4 points

# General Subjects

- Ancient History (2019) v1.2
- Biology (2019) v1.2
- Business (2019) v1.1
- Chemistry (2019) v1.3
- Dance (2019) v1.1
- Design (2019) v1.1
- Economics (2019) v1.1
- Engineering (2019) v1.1
- English (2019) v1.5
- Literature **NEW**
- Film, Television & New Media (2019) v1.2
- General Mathematics (2019) v1.2
- Geography (2019) v1.1
- Health (2019) v1.2
- Japanese (2019) v1.3
- Legal Studies (2019) v1.1
- Marine Science (2019) v1.2
- Mathematical Methods (2019) v1.2
- Modern History (2019) v1.2
- Music (2019) v1.2
- Physical Education (2019) v1.2
- Physics (2019) v1.2
- Psychology **NEW**
- Spanish (2019) v1.3
- Specialist Mathematics (2019) v1.2
- Visual Art (2019) v1.1



Up to 4 points

# Applied and VET Subjects

- Applied Subjects
- Essential English (2019) v1.1
- Essential Mathematics (2019) v1.1
- Aquatic Practices (2019) v1.0
- Business Studies (2019) v1.0
- Fashion (2019) v1.0
- Information and Communication Technology (2019) v1.0
- Music in Practice (2019) v1.0
- Social and Community Studies (2019)
- Sport and Recreation (2019) v1.0
- Visual Arts in Practice (2019) v1.0
- Vocational education and training (VET)
- **Cert II up to 4 points**
- **Cert III up to 8 points**
- **School based apprenticeships up to 6 points**
- Cert II in Engineering Pathways
- Cert II in Furniture Making
- Cert II in Hospitality
- Cert II in Tourism
- Cert III in Early Childcare and Care
- Cert III in Fitness
- Cert II Health and Community Service
- Cert II in Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways
- Cert III in Information Technology



# IBDP Subjects

- **GROUP 1 Studies in Language and Literature**
- English A Literature SL HL
- **GROUP 2 Language Acquisition**
- Japanese Ab Initio SL
- Spanish Ab Initio SL
- Other HL
- **GROUP 3 Individual and Societies**
- Humanities
- Business Management SL HL
- History SL HL
- Psychology SL HL
- ESS SL
- **GROUP 4 Sciences**
- Biology SL HL
- Chemistry SL HL
- ESS SL
- Physics SL HL
- **GROUP 5 Mathematics**
- Application and Interpretation SL HL
- Analysis and Approaches SL HL
- **GROUP 6 The Arts**
- Music SL HL
- Theatre SL HL
- Visual Art SL HL
- **CORE COMPONENTS**
- TOK Theory of Knowledge
- CAS Creativity, Action, Service
- EE Extended Essay

**Preparatory Subjects.** A maximum of 4 credits must come from completed Preparatory courses of study

<b>VET certificate I – Awarded</b>	<b>Up to 3 credits</b>
<b>QCAA Short Course in Literacy</b>	<b>Up to 1 credit</b>
<b>QCAA Short Course in Numeracy</b>	<b>Up to 1 credit</b>

**Complementary Course.** A maximum of 8 credits must come from completed Complementary courses of study

<b>University Subjects</b>	<b>Up to 8 credits</b>
<b>QCAA approved short courses</b>	<b>Up to 1 credit</b>



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## QCE Study Pathway



NATIONALLY  
RECOGNISED  
TRAINING

Student Name

Class

### My Study Pathway

**ATAR**

**VOCATIONAL**

**IBDP**

Eligibility  
6 General subjects or  
5 General + any other  
subject  
4 General + one Cert III or  
Applied subject + any other  
subject

Choose up to 3 General subjects maximum + 3  
Applied subjects/VET courses OR  
Up to 6  
Applied subjects/VET courses. These can be a School  
based Apprenticeship  
Or Traineeship Certificate  
Or Off-Campus Certification

Choose 6 subjects. Each from a  
different group.  
[Complete online application](#)  
 I have completed an  
application online

**Eligible for ATAR**

✓ Yes

✓ Yes

\* No

**My Subjects:** Complete the table with 6 preferences

1	<b>Literacy Subject</b>	_____ Credits _____	<b>Total QCE Credits (Minimum 20 Credits)</b>  _____
2	<b>Numeracy Subject</b>	_____ Credits _____	
<b>General/ Applied Subject preference</b>		<b>School-based Apprenticeship/ Traineeship Certificate</b>	
3	_____ Credits _____	_____ Credits _____	
4	_____ Credits _____	_____ Credits _____	
5	_____ Credits _____	_____ Credits _____	
6	_____ Credits _____	_____ Credits _____	
<b>Other Qualification</b>		<b>Off Campus Certification</b>	
	_____ Credits _____	_____ Credits _____	
	_____ Credits _____	_____ Credits _____	

**Notes:**

- Students need to meet subject requirement.
- All selections are subject to availability.
  - Students need to be aware that some combinations of subjects may cause a duplication of learning and hence possible less QCE points