



**NORTH ROCKHAMPTON STATE HIGH SCHOOL  
SUBJECT SELECTION GUIDE  
YEAR 9 AND 10 ELECTIVES 2026**

**JULY 2025**

# Subject Selection Guide

## Introduction

Welcome to the Subject Selection Guide for elective subjects. This booklet is designed to help you explore subject choices and make informed decisions for your future.

Please note that year 10 students have the option to select full day courses that can be held at NRSHS or off campus. To support students to engage in these courses, they will be given study lessons in their timetable to catch up on work they will have missed while at their full day course.

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Art	Ms Ferrara	Ms Bygrave/Ms McLaren Ms Carlson/Ms Finn Ms Wayde Mr Deere
Drama		
Music		
Media Arts		
Business	HOD	Teachers who can help
Economics and Business	Ms Anderson	Ms Henbury Mr Beatson
Civics and Citizenship		
Technologies	HOD	Teachers who can help
Design Technology - Food	Ms Ray	Ms Martin/ Ms Hancock Ms Weis/Mr Swadling Mr Kingston
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Digital Technologies		
Certificate III in Hospitality*		
Certificate III in Education Support *		
Certificate III in Aviation (Remote Pilot)*		
Health and Physical Education (HPE)	HOD	Teachers who can help
Health Bundle	Mr Harmsworth	Mr McGuire/Ms Baker Mr Drane/Mr Hinds
Certificate I in Sport and Recreation*		
Vocational Education and Training (VET *)	HOD	Teachers who can help
Certificate II in Automotive Vocational preparation*	Ms Fechner	Ms Kele Mr Kenny Mr Hodgetts
Certificate II in Autonomous Technology*		
Certificate II in Salon Assistant*		
Certificate II in Aircraft Line Maintenance*		
Certificate II in Engineering Pathways*		

# The Arts

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## Art

**What You'll Learn:** Explore visual conventions and techniques to create artworks that express ideas and emotions.

**Skills Developed:** Critical thinking, creativity, visual literacy, and technical art skills.

**Future Pathways:** Graphic design, illustration, fine arts, architecture.

## Drama

**What You'll Learn:** Develop performance skills by exploring dramatic conventions and storytelling techniques.

**Skills Developed:** Confidence, collaboration, communication, and empathy.

**Future Pathways:** Acting, directing, theatre production, teaching.

## Music

**What You'll Learn:** Engage in composing, performing, and responding to music from various cultures and times.

**Skills Developed:** Musical literacy, creativity, discipline, and auditory skills.

**Future Pathways:** Music performance, composition, sound engineering, education.

## Media

**What You'll Learn:** Create media artworks using digital technologies to communicate ideas and stories.

**Skills Developed:** Digital literacy, storytelling, critical analysis, and technical skills.

**Future Pathways:** Film and television, advertising, digital media, journalism.

# Business

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## Economics and Business

**What You'll Learn:** Understand economic and business concepts, including markets, resource allocation, and the changing nature of work.

**Skills Developed:** Analytical thinking, decision-making, financial literacy, and problem-solving.

**Future Pathways:** Business management, economics, entrepreneurship, accounting, financial planning, CEO, CFO.

## Civics and Citizenship

**What You'll Learn:** Investigate political and legal systems and explore the nature of citizenship, diversity and identity in contemporary society.

**Skills Developed:** Questioning and research; analysis, evaluation and interpretation; civic participation and decision making; and communicating.

**Future Pathways:** Law enforcement, legal profession, public service and government roles, journalism and education.

## Certificate I in Workplace Skills\*

**What You'll Learn:** Gain foundational skills for effective participation in the workplace, including communication and teamwork.

**Skills Developed:** Workplace communication, self-management, time management, basic administrative skills, computer skills.

**Future Pathways:** Entry-level administrative roles, further vocational education.

# Technologies

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## Design Technology – Food

**What You'll Learn:** Explore food preparation techniques, nutrition, and food safety to create healthy meals.

**Skills Developed:** Culinary skills, planning, hygiene practices, and nutritional knowledge.

**Future Pathways:** Hospitality, nutrition, food technology, catering.

## Design Technology – Materials

**What You'll Learn:** Design and create products using various materials, focusing on functionality and aesthetics.

**Skills Developed:** Problem-solving, craftsmanship, design thinking, and safety awareness.

**Future Pathways:** Engineering, industrial design, construction, manufacturing.

## Digital Technologies

**What You'll Learn:** Develop computational thinking and coding skills to create digital solutions.

**Skills Developed:** Programming, data analysis, problem-solving, and digital literacy.

**Future Pathways:** Software development, cybersecurity, data science, IT support.

## Certificate III in Hospitality\*

**What You'll Learn:** This qualification prepares you for a role as a drone pilot and will provide you with the skills, knowledge and to operate commercially. This could be for your own business, working for a company or working for one of many government departments which are utilising drones. It is also an excellent entry point into the aviation industry as you will be learning the same subjects that pilots of manned aircraft in airlines and the military learn.

**Assessment Items:** The course is a mix of theory and practical flying to ensure you have the skills and knowledge to be employed as a drone pilot in a full-time role or part time role.

**Skills Developed:** Customer service, teamwork, time management, and food safety.

**Future Pathways:** Hospitality industry roles, event management, tourism.

## Certificate III in Education Support\*

**What You'll Learn:** This qualification reflects the role of workers who assist teachers and support student learning in a range of classroom settings. They complete general administrative as well as operational tasks to support students with learning under the guidance of a teacher or other educational professional. Work requires use of discretion and judgement within the boundaries of established policies and procedures.

Education support workers work mainly with students in classroom settings in primary or secondary schools. To achieve this qualification, the individual must have completed a total of least 100 hours of work in a classroom environment catering to primary or secondary school students.

**Skills Developed:** Communication, instructional support, empathy, and organizational skills.

**Future Pathways:** This qualification will provide;

- Potential job opportunities as a Teacher Aide while studying further in education
- Potential RPL opportunities when studying further in education

### Certificate III in Remote Pilot Operations\* (Aviation Australia RTO No: 30770)

**What You'll Learn:** This qualification prepares you for a role as a drone pilot and will provide you with the skills, knowledge and to operate commercially. This could be for your own business, working for a company or working for one of many government departments which are utilising drones. It is also an excellent entry point into the aviation industry as you will be learning the same subjects that pilots of manned aircraft in airlines and the military learn.

**Skills Developed:** Technical operation, safety procedures, data collection, and analysis.

**Future Pathways:** Drone piloting, aerial surveying, agriculture, emergency services.

# Health and Physical Education

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## Health Bundle\*

### **What You'll Learn:**

Certificate II Health Support Services & Certificate III Health Services Assistant

This is a two-year course. In the first year you will complete the Certificate II Health Support Services qualification. On completion you will continue into the Certificate III Health Services Assistant. When complete students are a qualified Personal Care Worker. This qualification opens opportunities to gain employment in the health sector. Possible careers include Nursing, paramedics, allied health, aged care, disability care and health administration to name a few. Units within the course are either theory or practical based. You are assessed by completing quizzes, questionnaires, work folios, role plays and observation of practical tasks by qualified assessors. Units include First Aid, Infection Control, medical terminology, working with diverse people to name a few. The course is taught online through IVET. Lectures are conducted via Teams- assessors are on site several times a term.

At the completion of the Certificate III students can opt to complete the Assistant in Nursing specialisation. This is a nationally accredited qualification to gain employment as an Assistant in Nursing in clinical environments. Students need to complete two theory units and an 80 hours placement at an approved Residential Health facility.

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**Skills Developed:** Health literacy, decision-making, resilience, and interpersonal skills.

**Future Pathways:** Health promotion, nursing, psychology, community services.

## Certificate I in Sport and Recreation\*

**What You'll Learn:** This qualification allows individuals to develop basic functional knowledge and skills to prepare for work in the sport and recreation industry. A variety of sports and recreation-based activities will be investigated including areas such as first aid, carnival organisation, golf, archery, frisbee, gym circuits and other sports.

**Assessment items:** Written reports, observations, performance, folio of work

**Skills Developed:** Leadership, teamwork, planning, and communication.

**Future Pathways:** Sports coaching, fitness industry roles, recreation officer.



## Vocational Education and Training (VET)

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### Certificate II in Automotive Vocational preparation\* (offered through Glenmore State High School's *GlenTech Auto* RTO No: 31529)

**What You'll Learn:** Fascinated with all things mechanical? The Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation is the first piece of the puzzle for you while at high school. This course is a Start TAFE now (STN) in schools course.

This qualification reflects the role of individuals who perform a limited range of tasks relating to identifying and inspecting mechanical and electrical components and systems of light vehicles, heavy vehicles, outdoor power equipment, bicycles, marine craft and motorcycles.

**Assessment items:** The course provides a mix of both practical and theoretical based assessment items throughout the year.

**Skills Developed:** This qualification covers the skills and knowledge required to perform minor maintenance and repair of an automotive vehicle body. The range of technical skills and knowledge is limited.

**Future Pathways:** This course is a mechanical pathway that provides an introduction to the Automotive fields of heavy vehicles (diesel fitting), light vehicles and auto-electrical. Possible career outcomes could lead to a trades assistant, vehicle service assistant, automotive service assistant, trainee service person, automotive trainee.

### Certificate II in Autonomous Technology\* (CQ University TAFE RTO No: 40939)

**What You'll Learn:** The Certificate II in Autonomous Technologies is a unique entry level qualification that introduces you to a variety of skills that can be utilised in different career opportunities in the emerging and expanding area of autonomous technologies. This course has been specifically designed to provide an entry-level pathway program for school-based students.

**Assessment items:** competency-based assessment with practical tasks.

**Skills Developed:**

**Future Pathways:** Successful completion of this course will prepare you to enter and work within the fields of autonomous environments or continue with further study in this area.

### Certificate II Salon Assistant\* (CQ University TAFE RTO No: 40939)

**What You'll Learn:** If you have a creative streak, like to pamper people and have a dream of one day being a stylist, the Certificate II in Salon Assistant course could create a giant career for you.

This is a preparatory qualification which provides a defined and limited range of basic skills and knowledge used in hairdressing salons by individuals who provide assistance with client services. These routine and repetitive tasks are completed under direct supervision and with guidance from hairdressers who manage the client service.

**Assessment items:** competency-based assessment with practical tasks.

**Skills Developed:**



**Future Pathways:** This qualification is intended to prepare individuals for further training in the hair and beauty industry

## Certificate II in Aircraft Line Maintenance\* (Aviation Australia RTO No: 40939)

**What You'll Learn:** This school to work pathway allows school students to take the first step to a career within the aviation industry. The Cert II in Aircraft Line Maintenance provides the basic level knowledge and skills required to perform a range of specified maintenance tasks on aircraft on a flight line or at the departure gate.

**Assessment items:** competency-based assessment with practical tasks.

**Skills Developed:**

**Future Pathways:** This qualification can lead to future Aeroskills apprenticeships/traineeships and is also a pathway to achieving a Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) Category A Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Licence.

## Certificate II in Engineering Pathways\*

**What You'll Learn:** This qualification delivers broad-based underpinning skills and knowledge in a range of engineering and manufacturing tasks which will enhance the graduates' entry-level employment prospects for apprenticeships, traineeships or general employment in an engineering-related workplace. Completed on site at SMW Group. Training managed by AXIAL Training Group.

**Assessment items:** competency-based assessment with practical tasks.

**Skills Developed:**

**Future Pathways:** Completing this qualification opens up various career opportunities, including:

- Apprenticeships – Graduates can pursue apprenticeships in fields such as fitting and turning, sheet metal fabrication, boiler making and welding.
- Entry-Level Positions – Students may also find work as trades assistants or in other entry-level roles within the engineering and manufacturing sectors.