



Student Information Session

Year 10 2026

INTRODUCING THE SACE



The SACE

- The **S**outh **A**ustralian **C**ertificate of **E**ducation
- A qualification awarded to students who successfully complete their senior secondary education (mainly Year 11 & 12)
- Internationally recognised
- Leads to work training and further study
- Helping young people to gain the skills and values to achieve their best in the future

SACE Board of SA

- Statutory authority overseeing the new certificate
- Approves curriculum for subjects to be studied in Years 11 & 12 & recognises courses
- Quality assures students' results through the moderation process
- Exams and external assessment marking
- Issues the SACE to successful students

When does SACE start?

- Students entering Year 10
- Students will begin by mapping out their future as part of the Exploring Identities and Futures (EIF) subject
- EIF is a compulsory subject
- Undertaken in Year 10
- Worth 10 credits (1 semester)
- Minimum C grade needed

SACE CAPABILITIES

The SACE is underpinned by **seven capabilities**, which connect student learning within and across subjects.

The purpose of the capabilities is to develop in students the knowledge, skills, and understandings to be successful learners, confident and creative individuals, and active and informed citizens.



Literacy



Numeracy



Information and
Communication
Technology (ICT)



Critical and
Creative Thinking



Personal and
Social

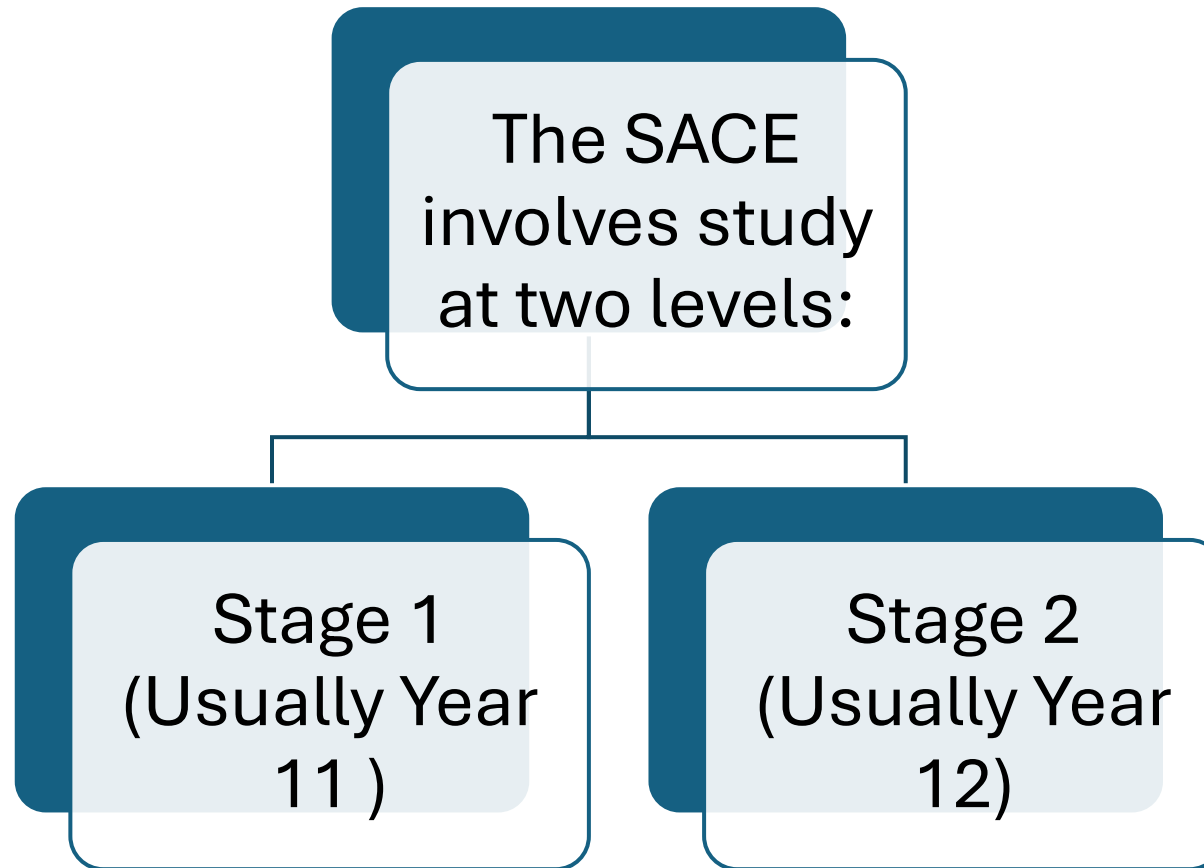


Ethical
understanding



Intercultural
Understanding

After Year 10: Stage 1 & Stage 2



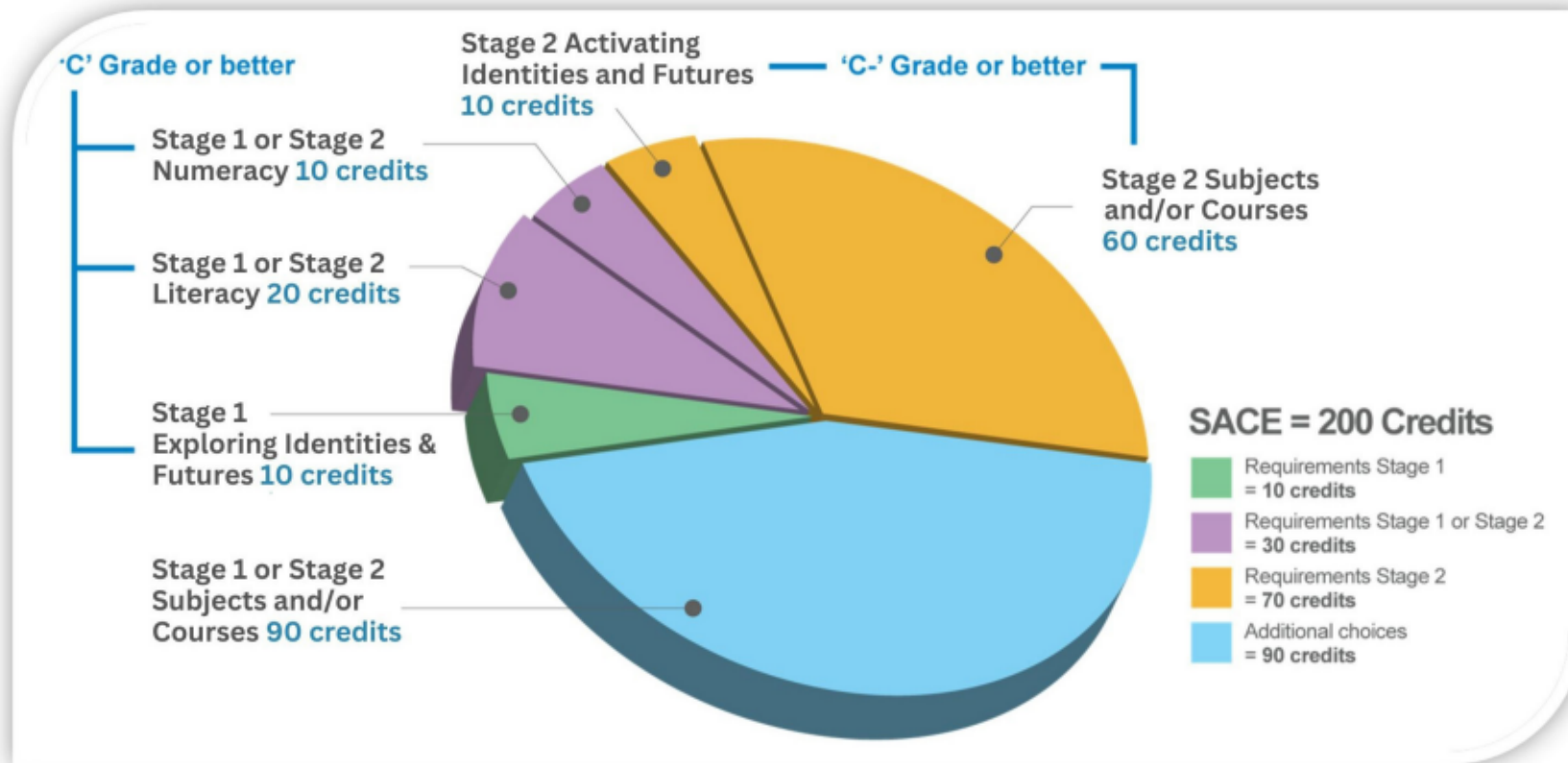
Compulsory subjects @ Stage 1

Students must complete at least 40 credits from compulsory subjects:

- Exploring Identities & Futures (10 credits) - Year 10
- Literacy (at least 20 credits from a range of English subjects)
- Numeracy (at least 10 credits from a range of Mathematics subjects)

10 credits = 1 semester & 20 credits = 2 semesters (full year)

SACE Requirements



SACE subjects at another school or institution

Some students may undertake a SACE subject at another institution, Open Access College or the SA School of Languages.

The cost involved in this enrolment will need to be covered by the student.

SACE Credits

- Recognition for learning inside and outside of school
- Examples:
 - ☐ School subjects
 - ☐ Vocational Education and Training (VET)
 - ☐ TAFE & university courses
 - ☐ Community learning (e.g. Duke of Edinburgh Award, Surf Life Saving, AMEB)

The Year 10 curriculum at SAC

- The beginning of the SACE
- Year 10: a bridge between Year 9 and 11
- Year 10 allows more choice in **elective** subjects
- Examinations at the end of each Semester for most subjects
- Work Experience occurs in Year 10
- EIF is studied in Year 10 (1 Semester)

What are the core subjects at Year 10?

- Religious Education
- Exploring Identities & Futures (EIF)
- English *or* EAL
- Mathematical Methods *or* General Mathematics *or* Essential Mathematics
- Science
- History (1 Semester)

Mathematics

Three levels of Mathematics are available

Mathematical Methods leads to all Mathematics subjects at Year 11

General Mathematics = Students who struggle to cope with abstract concepts @ Year 9. Leads to General or Essential Mathematics in Year 11.

Essential Mathematics = is generally invite only for select students. Leads only to Essential Mathematics in Year 11

Teacher & parent involvement in choice

EAL: English as an Additional Language

A student for whom English is an additional language, or dialect

*eligibility criteria apply

Not more than total of 5 years full-time schooling where medium of instruction was English

More than 5 years but knowledge of English is restricted

Exploring

Identities and

Futures (EIF)

Subject focus

You have more say over:

- **What you learn**
- **How you learn**
- **How you share your learning experience**

There are two parts to the subject:

- **Exploring me and who I want to be**
 - **Taking action and showcasing my abilities**

This will help you to focus on:

- **Developing your agency as a learner**
- **Developing your self-belief and resilience**
- **Building connections with others**

EIF gives you the time, space and opportunity to start thinking about who you want to be in the future, and how you might go about making that goal happen.

It's ok to change your mind lots of times during this subject as you start to think about and explore different possibilities.



grow
flourish
achieve
prosper
develop
bloom
thrive.

Work Experience

- Undertaken in Year 10
- One week
- Linked to career education & Exploring Identities & Futures (EIF)
- Provides information & experience to inform subject choice for Year 11
- You organise the placement

HOW MANY SUBJECTS IN YEAR 10?

SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
ENGLISH	ENGLISH
MATHEMATICS	MATHEMATICS
SCIENCE	SCIENCE
RE (2 LESSONS)	RE (2 LESSONS)
EIF	HISTORY
CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1
CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2

About choice subjects



They are not experiential
subjects



They are rigorous and
academically challenging



They are allocated 5 lessons per
week = depth



They recognise that students
have strengths and weaknesses,
likes and dislikes



Some choice leads to
engagement

What are the choice subjects?

Art

Artificial Intelligence

Certificate III in Business

Chinese

Design

Drama

Digital Technologies

French

Geography

Stage 1 Indonesian

Italian

Music

Stage 1 Outdoor Education

Physical Education

Psychology

How many choices are there?

Students must choose 2 subjects per semester

Language: if chosen, must study for both semesters for skills & continuity for Year 11 & 12

Music: must study 1 semester if you want to study Year 11 & 12 Music

May choose 1 semester or the full year for the other choice subjects

Consider: interests & skills

Indonesian + 1 other language is a possible choice

Not necessary to study some subjects in Year 10 to study them in Years 11 & 12

Years 10, 11 & 12

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Subject Selection Expo (McAuley Auditorium)

YEAR 10
SUBJECTS

TALK TO
TEACHERS AND
STUDENTS

ASK
QUESTIONS

Session 2: How to select subjects

MONDAY
WEEK 3

USING
EDVAL

TIMELINES



Student Information Session 2

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English option

ENGLISH

EAL/D

Mathematics option

MATH
METHODS

GENERAL
MATH

ESSENTIAL
MATH

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Subject Selection Process



What to look for in your inbox



St Aloysius College, Adelaide

Subject Choices

Reminder - Online subject selections to be made by 9:00pm Thursday 14 August

Follow the instructions in the Edval Timetables email

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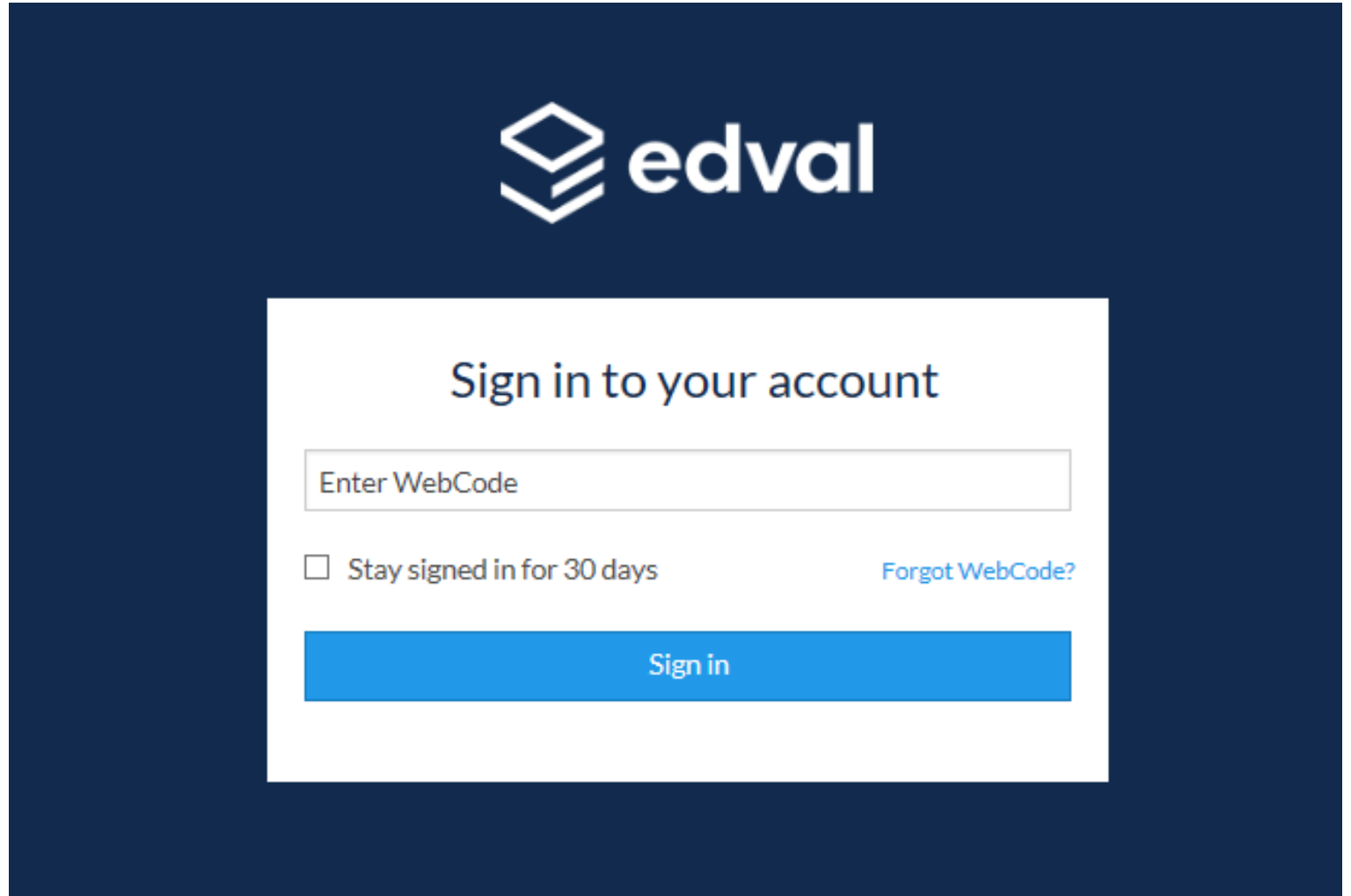
STEP 1: Click: my.edval.education/login

STEP 2: Enter the following WebCode: **D6UWK**

STEP 3: Select subjects you want, in order of your PREFERENCE (Important).

STEP 4: Click [Submit].

**When you
log in this
is what
you see**



The screenshot shows the login interface for 'edval'. At the top, the 'edval' logo is displayed in white on a dark blue background. Below the logo, the text 'Sign in to your account' is centered. A text input field with the placeholder 'Enter WebCode' is positioned below the title. Underneath the input field, there is a checkbox labeled 'Stay signed in for 30 days' and a blue link 'Forgot WebCode?'. At the bottom of the form, there is a prominent blue button with the text 'Sign in'.

After you submit your choices you will see them listed...

- Print.
- Sign.
- Return to Home Class teacher.

Subject Choices

Student name: **Peter Pan (Test student Yr10) (DUMMY!10)**

Notes: **Your choices are registered.**

Submitted date: **Sun 3 Aug 2025 22:09:55**

Main units

Main Units	Subject	Units
10ENG1	English 1	1
10ENG2	English 2	1
10GM1	General Mathematics 1	1
10GM2	General Mathematics 2	1
10ART1	Art 1	1
10AI	Artificial Intelligence Sem	1
11OUT1	Outdoor Education 1	1
10PE	Physical Education Sem	1

Total units: **8**

Reserve units

Reserve Units	Subject	Units
CertIII-Business1	Certificate III Business 1	1
CertIII-Business2	Certificate III Business 2	1

Total units: **2**

NOTE: Students are automatically enrolled in History, Science, Religion and EIF. Please have your form signed, staple it to your subject selection form and return to your Home Class Teacher by Friday 15 August.

Signature: _____ Parent / Carer

Signature: _____ Student

Home Class: _____

Exit

Print

Send email

What if I make a mistake or change my mind about my subjects?



You can make as many subject choices selections as needed before the deadline.



Print and sign the final version to hand to your class teacher.

Deadline for **online** selection

Thursday 14 August

9pm



Deadline for **hard copy** selection



PRINT FINAL
CHOICES



SIGN



STAPLE TO SUBJECT
SELECTION FORM



SUBMIT TO HOME
CLASS TEACHER

Friday 15 August 2025

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

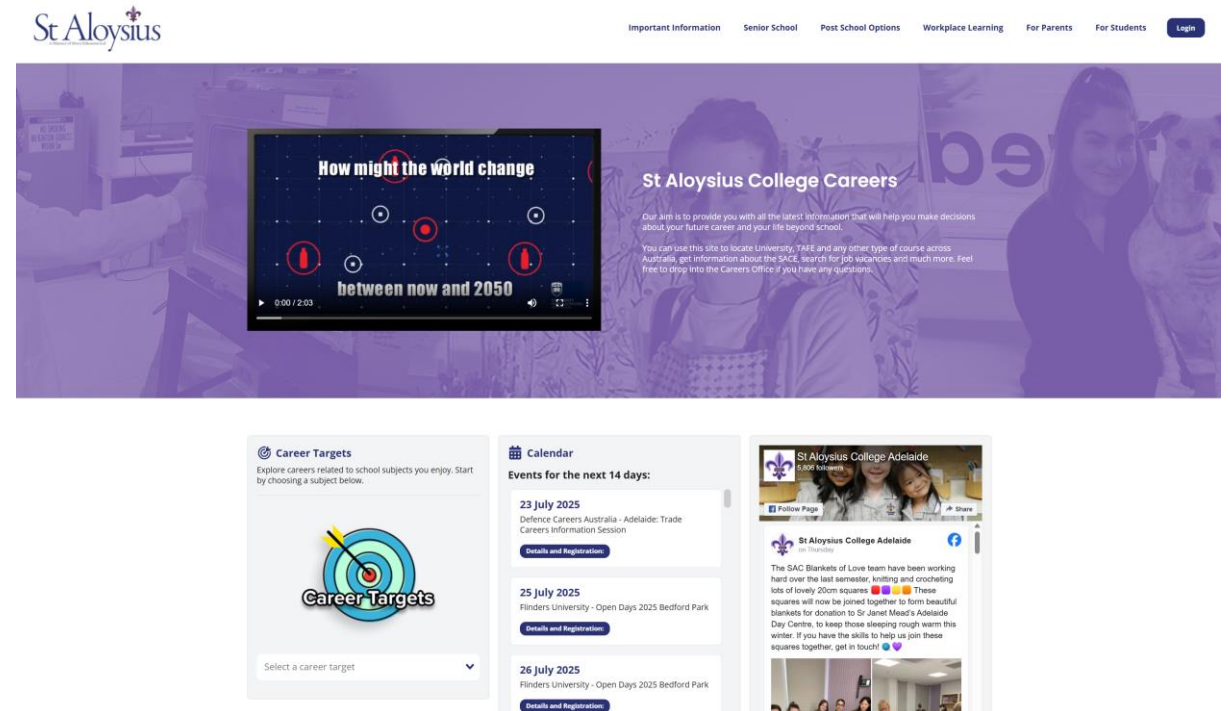
- The SAC Curriculum Handbook
- Year Level Coordinators
- Home Class teachers
- Subject teachers
- Careers & VET Counsellor
- SATAC Tertiary Entrance website for prerequisites
- University Open Days
- University Web Sites



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Career Information (choosing subjects for possible pathways)



<https://www.saccareers.com.au/>

ADVICE



Choose subjects you are good at – your strengths.



Read the curriculum handbook for more information on Year 10 subjects



Talk to your Home Class Teacher



Discuss choices with your family



Think about what you *might* like to do after school (work? University? What subjects might be best for your plans?)



Choose subjects for YOU