

WORK EXPERIENCE

*When seeking a work experience provider ALWAYS think of family and friends that may be working in or associated with an occupation of interest.
“Build Your Network”*



Benefits

Work Experience placements assist students in their transition from school to work and aim to:

- Provide students with an opportunity to relate school studies with a workplace
- Improve students' maturity, confidence and self reliance
- Prepare students for the demands and expectations of the working world
- Help students make informed career decisions by assessing their aptitudes and interests, and exploring potential careers

Access

Year 9 and 10 students who are interested in experiencing the world of work are encouraged to do so during weekends and school holidays. Note: Insurance will not be covered by the school.

Year 11 and 12 (Non ATAR) students who are interested in applying for a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship may be allowed to take work experience for 1 day per week over 4 weeks during the school term.

The Program provides an opportunity for our students to get an insight into life beyond school. This assists students when making decisions about possible future career choices and study pathways.

Only students who are meeting the demands of the College regarding attendance, punctuality, uniform, application and behaviour will be considered for work experience.

Arranging a Placement

It is important that a student (with support from their network) secure their own placement, where possible. Students gain experience from this, which builds confidence as it is similar to applying for a job.

Hours of Work

Work hours need to be discussed. This is negotiable between the student and the provider. The student should take into consideration transport to and from work. Students are not paid for work experience.

Work Experience Agreement/Insurance

Work experience that occurs during a school term will require a Work Experience Agreement (WEA) so that the school can provide insurance coverage. This will be arranged through our Careers Centre. Insurance for work experience outside of school lies solely on the work experience provider.

SCHOOL BASED APPRENTICESHIPS & TRAINEESHIPS

Students completing traineeships leave school with a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) and a nationally recognised Vocational Certificate



Why complete a School-Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship?

The workplace skills and confidence students gain during their School-Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship provide a solid foundation for any career.

Some of the advantages include:

- **Variety:** The variety provided by School-Based Apprenticeships or Traineeships can have enormous benefits for young people who prefer hands-on learning.
- **Head start in a career:** A School-Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship can lead directly to full-time employment once a student has left school.
- Some Tertiary courses will accept Certificate III, IV and Diploma courses as an entry requirement.
- **An opportunity to learn and earn:** School-Based Apprentices or Trainees are paid while they learn.
- Completion of a Traineeship will contribute up to 8 points towards a QCE.

Attendance

Most students attend workplace training one day per week and school the other four days. The school offers a flexible timetable, which enables students undertaking a School-Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship time release, when required, allowing them more time to spend studying or in workplace training.

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Past Student Success: Amber Heaton (2017)

Amber commenced a school-based apprenticeship in Year 12 undertaking a Certificate III in Commercial Cookery. She studied Hospitality and Agriculture whilst at school to give her the knowledge for 'paddock to plate'. She has been appointed Chairperson for the Australian Culinary Federation Young Chef's Club Qld. Some of Amber's achievements since leaving school are:

- 2019 – Nestlé Golden Chef's Hat Award QLD Metro, Bronze Medal
- 2019 – The Star Culinary Institute Apprentice Chef of The Year QLD, Second Place
- 2019 – The Star Culinary Institute Apprentice Chef of The Year Finals, Finalist
- 2019 – World Skills Apprentice Chef Regional Competition Sydney, Finalist
- 2019 – Southbank TAFE Apprentice Chef of The Year, Finalist
- 2019 – Les Torques Blanches Competition Melbourne, Winner
- 2020 – Fonterra Proud To Be A Chef, Winner
- 2020 – La Chaîne des Rôtisseurs Brisbane, Winner
- 2020 – Nestlé Golden Chef's Hat Award QLD Metro, Bronze Medal
- 2020 – Southbank TAFE Apprentice Chef of The Year, Finalist
- 2021 – QLD Training Awards Harry Hauenschild Apprentice Category, Top 5 Finalist
- 2021 – Nestlé Golden Chef's Hat Award National Final, Gold Medal
- 2021 – The Star Annual Service Support Team Member of the Year, Winner
- 2021 – Junior Judged The Star Culinary Institute QLD Apprentice Chef of The Year
- 2021 – FHC China International Culinary Arts Young Chef Online Competition, Gold Medal
- 2021 – Southbank TAFE Apprentice Chef of The Year, Winner
- 2021 – Restaurant & Catering Awards for Excellence Apprentice Chef of The Year, Winner
- 2021 – Australia Hotel Management Awards, Rising Star category, Finalist
- 2021 – Multiple newspaper articles, two radio interviews & featured on her own podcast

The Careers Centre provides a welcoming environment where students and parents can visit, ask questions, and gain information towards their future goals.



Marymount College Careers Centre

Marymount College Careers Centre is located in the P&F Courtyard and is accessible to students of all year levels.

Career Development Officers are available to assist students in all areas of Careers and Vocational Education, including:

- School-based Apprenticeship and Traineeship Applications
- Work Experience
- Part time employment
- Interview preparation
- Preparing your resume
- TAFE Schools Program
- Try a Trade Program
- TAFE Direct Entry
- Careers Expo
- University Open Days
- QTAC Applications
- Scholarship Applications

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Information is available on the following topics:

- Careers Centre News
- Career Development
- Careers Expo
- Traineeships/Apprenticeships
- QTAC Tertiary Prerequisites
- Senior Information Presentation
- Myfuture.edu.au
- Course Seeker