



Oberon High School

Welcome to our
Year 12 Parent/Student
Information Workshop
2006



Part 1: THE YEAR AHEAD

- The Importance of goal setting
- The challenge to achieve your potential
- Finding the right balance
- Making the most of opportunities



Managing the workload

- Managing the demands of study, work, sporting activities and social time – a study plan is essential!
- Recognising times of stress and managing the stress – you can't just ignore it.
- Rewarding yourself for work well done...
- Informing the family about what's going on in your study life.

Scoring in the VCE

VCAA Study Score for each study

Ranking out of 50 (against all other students in the state taking that study)

Based on

- Performance in SACs, SATs and external examinations
- Usually three graded scores given eg. A, B+, A+
- Behind these letter grades are numerical grades from which the ranking out of 50 is calculated


Study Scores (continued)

Study Score (relative position)	Percentage of students above this position
45	2
40	8
35	24
30	50
25	76
20	92



Scoring of SAC's and SAT's

- Subject teachers rank students in their study on basis of performance on a number of set tasks – reported to VCAA
- Class scores on SAC's and SAT's are compared to class scores on external examinations
- SAC scores of the group may move up or down based on this comparison (re-ranking on SAC's and SAT's does not occur however)



Calculation of the Enter score

- VCAA forwards study scores to VTAC
- VTAC scales study scores to give Enter study scores
- Enter (scaled) study scores are aggregated (English plus next best 3, ie primary 4, plus 10% of any fifth and sixth enter study scores)
- Aggregated scores are then ranked from 99.95 to zero
- Everyone who qualifies for the VCE will receive an Enter score automatically



The GAT (General Achievement Test)

The VCAA can use GAT scores:

- To assist in arriving at a Derived Examination Score
- In the review of school assessments on SAC's and SAT's
- Check the accuracy of student scores in examinations



Part 2: Where to after Oberon?

Important decisions to be made about options.

Possibilities are many: further study, (TAFE or Higher Ed.), Apprenticeships, Traineeships, Other employment, Travel, GAP project.

Make sure you have a well developed resume ready to go. Help is always available with these.



Good decisions are based on Information

Read and retain the fortnightly Careers newsletters

Visit the careers room regularly, including your MIP's interviews

Refer to the VTAC and VICTER 2006 guides carefully

Attend open days (July – Sept)

Attend Career Expos (Geelong July)

Attend TIS event

Use Courselink (VTAC website) and OZJAC

Use Job Outlook information

Job Guide still a valuable source of information

The VTAC Application Process

- Begins mid July, closes end of September
- List up to 8 preferences for CSP courses (up to 12 if including fee paying courses)
- Check pre-requisites and extra requirements carefully
- Change of preference period occurs after results announced



Don't know what you would like to do yet??

Don't panic!

Keep thinking about it and talking it over with a variety of people

Useful resources you could also make use of:

Myfuture website www.myfuture.edu.au

Career Voyage (Careers Room)

Job Guide (also available on line at www.jobguide.dest.gov.au)

Websites of educational institutions

Undertake a Self-directed Search