UNDERSTANDING YEAR 9 STUDENTS FORUM

TUESDAY, 18 MARCH 2008
BRIMBANK COLLEGE

Principal
Mr. Allen McAuliffe

TEAM 9 Teachers
Ms. Dianne Hayes / Mr. Peter Giles
Pre-Program

• Attendance Data below State average

• High number of Detentions, Time Out and Suspensions at the Year 9 level

• Disengagement of students in Year 9
## Attendance Data

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Our Attendance Practices

- Attendance Officer
- 90% Attendance
- Promotion / Awareness
- Redemption
- Counseling
- Absence Hotline
- Working with families
T.E.A.M 9
Together Everyone Achieves More!

OUR MISSION

To incorporate our college values of Achievement, Care, Trust and Support
OUR VISION

To develop new curriculum through pedagogical means; to improve retention rates, while producing well rounded citizens through community links
TEAM 9 - Common Themes

• **Semester One**: personal development, teamwork and respect

• **Semester Two**: careers and pathways

• The whole year level scheduled together
• Year 9 CAMP
• Guest Speakers – REACH
• Excursions/Incursions
• Career Presentations
TEAM 9

- A program based on FLAVOURS
- Student interest areas expanded
- Student centered programs
- Engaging / Contemporary
- Each Contact Group/Home Group has its own FLAVOUR
- TEAM 9 lessons - 4 per week
TEAM 9 - The FLAVOURS

- Sport Coaching
- Community Projects
- Outdoor Education
- Multimedia
- Dance / Drama
- Art
- Technology
TEAM 9 - The Staff

- Staff volunteer to be in the program, offering a FLAVOUR
- Pastoral Care Program
- Staff teach one other subject
- TEAM 9 PLT (plan, share, reflect)
- Total contact: 6 -10 lessons per week
- TEAM 9 blocked on together
- Counseling - Managed Individual Pathways (MIPS)