# **Year 9 Cohort 2024 Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What if a student cannot access their student email for their login details?

The school librarian can assist if students cannot access their school email.

The HT Administration will have a list of students' login details.

#### What if a student does not have internet access at home?

Students can make online selections in the library during breaks or before school.

Students can make selections using a mobile phone.

# Do students need to have achieved to a certain level in Years 7 & 8 prior to selecting an elective for Years 9 & 10?

Students can select any courses offered regardless of achievement in Years 7 and 8.

However, students are advised to consider their capability when selecting subjects.

## What should a student consider when selecting their elective preferences?

The key to success in elective courses is interest and engagement.

Students are encouraged to select subjects that suits their interests and talents.

Students need to select carefully as their achievement in electives will be graded and recorded on their Record of School Achievement (RoSA).

#### What if a student needs more information about a certain course?

Course information is available in the Stage 5 Course Descriptor document on the THS website.

Students can ask friends in Years 9 – 12 or older siblings about elective courses.

Students are encouraged to talk to teachers and their Year Advisor.

#### Are certain elective courses required for selection of Year 11 & 12 subjects?

There is no need to consider subjects that might be chosen in Year 11.

No offered elective subject is a pre-requisite for the study of any senior course.

#### Do students need to select preferences quickly?

All preferences input online prior to the deadline date will have equal consideration.

There is no advantage to inputting online selections on the first day.

Students should take time to consider the subjects that suit their interests.

Any changes made online prior to the deadline date will have equal consideration.

#### Can students change their selections after they have been input online?

The cut-off date for online selection is before 8am Monday 4th September 2023

Students can change their selections multiple times until that date and time.

The choices input as at the deadline will be recorded for that student.

## What if students do not select by the deadline date / time?

Students will not be able to select subjects online beyond the cut-off date.

Students who have missed the submission date will be required to give their selections to the Head Teacher Secondary Studies (Mrs. Courts) in written form.

If selections are late, students will only be able to select from subjects where vacancies exist.

## Can students change subjects after they have been allocated?

At the start of Year 9 there **may** be some opportunity to change elective courses in some special cases.

The choices of subjects to select at the start of 2024 will be dependent on course availability and options will be limited.

## Can students change their preferences in Year 9 or 10?

Most students study each elective course over all of Years 9 and 10.

There may be cases where it is in the student's best interest to change courses.

The Deputy Principal will keep course changes to a minimum.

A change of course will only occur if the Deputy Principal deems the student is capable of completing all set work / assessment tasks and can be assessed effectively in the new subject.