# **VET Information Night**



#### Horticulture

**CERES** 

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### Who is IMVC?

We support young people on the journey of transition from school to work and independence.

## Vocational Education & training

- VETDSS
- Short courses like MAP
- Certified courses for postschool learners

### Case-management services

- Jobseekers transitioning to work
- Young people living in of home care transitioning to living independently



#### **Upskill for work**

- Career exploration
- Work-readiness courses
- Jobs and career advice
- RSA, RSF

Young people transitioning from dependence to independence

#### Advocacy

- for Jobseekers
- Contribute to the national youth and disability agendas and policies

## Connect with industry

- Industry immersion
- Traineeships
- Mentoring

## Link to services they might need

- Mental health support
- Housing services
- Health and wellbeing services
- Disability services









# 2023 VET Program

In 2023, the Inner Melbourne VET Cluster in conjunction with CERES will offer:

Certificate II In Horticulture

**Delivered at CERES** 



#### AHC20416 Certificate II in Horticulture

This course offers students the opportunity to acquire a wide range of skills such as testing soil, identifying pests and diseases in plants, assisting with landscape construction work, propagation, potting up plants and pruning shrubs and small trees.

This course introduces careers in areas such as gardening, landscaping, and nurseries.

The course is a great introduction to the horticulture industry.



## Contribution to VCAL/VCE/Vocational Major

#### Horticulture

**VCE/VCAL/VM:** Students may be eligible to receive recognition of up to two or more units at Units 1 & 2 level and a VCE VET Units 3 & 4 sequence.

ATAR: This subject does not have a study score and therefore cannot contribute towards the student's primary four. Students who receive a Units 3 & 4 sequence may be eligible for a 10% increment towards their ATAR (10% of the lowest result of your primary four scaled studies). Please note the student must already have English and three other fully scored VCE/VET subjects to create the primary four. VCAL and the VCE Vocational Major do not contribute towards an ATAR.A Statement of Results (issued at the end of the first year) and a Certificate (issued at the end of the second year) listing all units of competencies completed will be issued upon successful completion.

# Program Delivery

Program	Venue	Day and Time
Horticulture	CERES (Brunswick East)	Wednesday 1:30pm – 5:00pm

### **Course Outline**

Please refer to the information booklets for course outline.

#### **Course Content**

- Recognise plants
- Treat plant pests, diseases and disorders
- Assist with soil or growing media sampling and testing
- Participate in work health and safety processes
- Use Hand Tools
- Prune shrubs and small trees
- Work effectively in the industry
- Plant and maintain permaculture crops



## Skills students should possess

- Are interested in gardening
- Like working outdoors
- Enjoy practical activities
- Can do manual work (including bending and lifting)
- Enjoy the natural environment



### **Program Requirements**

### **Work Placement Requirements**

Work placement is not required.

#### **Additional Requirements**

Students must have appropriate personal PPE:

- Safety boots
- Hi viz vest
- Gardening gloves

Students must have successfully completed Year 9.

## Attendance and Punctuality Requirements

#### **Attendance**

Students must attend all classes. An allowance of two absences a Semester or four for the year is allocated to students. An additional two approved absences is allowed for school camps, excursions etc. Where possible, students need to notify their VET Coordinators, trainers and/or their workplace in advance.

#### **Punctuality**

All students are expected to arrive on time to class. Students who arrive late will miss class content and will be required to catch up in their own time to complete the work.

Missing one class of VET is equal to missing a week of school.

### Reports

- Schools will receive an interim VET report at the end of Term 1.
- Semester reports are distributed at the end of Semester 1 and 2.
- Statements of Results (issued at the end of the first year) and Certificates (issued at the end of the second year) listing all units of competencies completed, will be issued upon successful completion.
- These are sent directly to the student's home school.

Please note, completed Certificates might not be sent until the following year, in accordance with graduation processes from the various training providers.

### **Program Costs**

All VET programs facilitated through the IMVC attract costs. Through the clustering arrangement these costs are kept to a minimum where possible.

Please note: Please contact your school's VET Coordinator. All fees will be invoiced to schools after Census date usually in March. Once a student has commenced the course, the fees will not be refunded.

## Communicating to Students

All correspondence and administrative issues will be communicated to students via their school-based VET Coordinator.

Occasionally, it may be appropriate to contact the student via SMS (e.g. to inform of a cancelled class) or email.

Parents must communicate directly with their school VET Coordinator and not initiate direct communication with VET trainers.

## **Confirming Expressions of Interest**

Expression of Interests will be processed in late October.

Schools will be notified in November of the status of their students' Expressions of Interest.

Letters should be sent to students and parents by schools confirming enrolments by the end of November.

### Questions

Further course information can be found in the Information Booklets and the 2023 VET Course Guide here:

www.courseguide.imvc.com.au