POLICY STATEMENT
SUBJECT CHANGE

1.0 Introduction

1.1 A request for a change of subject by a student needs to be a combined decision by the student, the student’s parents, and the school.

1.2 This is not a routine matter, and should be treated more as the exception than the rule.

2.0 Subject Selection

2.1 Care should be taken at the key points of subject selection: Term 4 of Year 8, and Terms 3 and 4 of Year 10.

2.2 A balance should be sought between students selecting subjects they are good at and can do well in, and keeping some breadth in their studies, especially for Years 9 and 10.

3.0 Request to Change Subjects

3.1 Students need to show good reasons for changing subjects; in particular there should be a reasonable likelihood that they will be more motivated and achieve better results by making the change.

3.2 The student needs to discuss the proposed change with the teacher of the current subject, and the Subject Co-ordinator of the proposed subject.

3.3 The student is responsible for ensuring that the proper protocol, attached to this policy statement, is followed.

3.4 The decision to change will be dependent on numbers in the proposed subject class, and the views of the parents and the school.