



# Burpengary State Secondary College

## JUNIOR CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION



### What is a JCE?

The Junior Certificate of Education (JCE) is a school based, junior schooling qualification, awarded to eligible students at the end of Year 9 on completion of the Junior phase of learning.

Students who are not eligible at the end of Year 9 to receive a JCE or a modified JCE (JCIA) will receive a Graduation Certificate to recognise their learning journey throughout the Junior phase of learning.

The JCE serves as a:

- celebration of student achievement throughout Junior Secondary,
- reference document when applying for employment,
- record of academic, extracurricular and personal development for use in SET planning in Year 10.

The flexibility of the JCE means that a student can choose from a wide range of options to suit their interests, learning and career goals. They will be given guidance on planning their JCE pathway in PAL classes and at key review junctures across the Junior phase of learning.

Students will receive feedback on their progress through PAL lessons, Junior Secondary assemblies and by request with the Junior Secondary Head of Department.

### How does a student achieve their JCE?

To achieve a JCE, students need to accrue credits throughout their Junior phase of learning. A minimum of **5 credits** is needed per semester of enrolment. For a student enrolled for their entire Junior phase of learning (Years 7 to 9), **30 credits** is required to obtain the JCE by the end of Year 9 (**6 semesters in total**).

Students have the opportunity to aim for a higher level JCE by accruing more credits. These include:

JCE award categories	Minimum credits required by Year 9 Graduation
JCE	30 credits
Silver	45 credits
Gold	55 credits
Diamond	65 credits

*\*Required credits based on a continuous enrolment from the start of Year 7.*

### How are the credits calculated and tracked by the College?

- Students will be **automatically awarded credits** based on their report card results for CORE and PREPARATORY levels of achievement.
- Students will need to **apply for COMPLEMENTARY credits**. They will need to have the application form completed with supervisor signatures and any required documentation attached.
- Students will track their own credit tally on the attached tracking sheet.
- Credits required to achieve a JCE are calculated based on total semesters enrolled by each student.
  - *E.g. a student that has only enrolled for Year 8 and 9 would require 20 credits (10 per year).*



# JUNIOR CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION CREDIT ACQUISITION

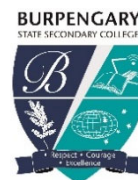
By the end of Year 9, you need to have accrued 30 credits to achieve a JCE (5 credits per enrolled semester).

There are 3 levels at which you earn credits: Core, Preparatory and Complementary.

LEVEL of CALCULATION	CREDITS	HOW IS IT CALCULATED?	JCIA pathway students
<b>Core</b>	<b>Possible 36 credits over 3 years</b>		Students working from ICP & special provisions
<b>Core subjects</b> <i>English, Humanities, Maths, Science</i>	<b>24 credits</b> <i>over 3 years</i>	1 credit per semester for an A, B or C. <b>1 credit/semester x 4 subjects x 2 semesters x 3 years = 24 credits.</b>	Individual negotiations with students, parents and case manager to determine accrual of credits.
<b>Elective subjects</b> <i>HPE, Japanese, Technologies, The Arts</i>	<b>12 credits</b> <i>over 3 years</i>	1 credit per semester for an A, B or C. <b>1 credit x 2 subjects/semester x 2 semesters x 3 years = 12 credits.</b>	
<b>FGL</b> <i>(in place of Japanese)</i>	<b>4 credits over 2 years</b>	1 credit per semester completed at a satisfactory standard. <b>1 credit/semester x 2 semesters x 2 years = 4 credits.</b>	
<b>Preparatory:</b>	<b>Possible 24 credits over 3 years</b>		
<b>PAL</b>	<b>6 credits</b> <i>over 3 years</i>	1 credit per semester with PAL completed to satisfactory standard for behaviour and effort over 3 years. <b>1 credit/semester x 2 semesters x 3 years = 6 credits.</b>	
<b>JET Planning</b>	<b>6 credits</b> <i>over 3 years</i>	1 credit per semester with JET Plan completed to satisfactory standard. <b>1 credit/semester x 2 semesters x 3 years = 6 credits.</b>	
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>6 credits</b> <i>over 3 years</i>	1 credit per semester with =>95% attendance in each semester. <b>1 credit/semester x 2 semesters x 3 years = 6 credits.</b>	
<b>Behaviour and Effort</b>	<b>6 credits</b> <i>over 3 years</i>	1 credit per semester for satisfactory or above for Effort <u>and</u> Behaviour. <b>1 credit/semester x 2 semesters x 3 years = 6 credits.</b> <i>* Additional credit awarded if 'Excellent' achieved for every subject.</i>	
<b>Complementary</b>	<b>Range of credits possible over period of enrolment</b>		
CONNECT or Inclusion Homework sessions	<b>6 credits</b>	1 credit per semester – attendance confirmed by JS HOD. >80% attendance in a semester may receive additional credits.	1 credit per semester – determined by HOSES.
Innovation programs/Clubs/Instrumental music	<b>Max 6 credits per item</b>	1 credit per semester – attendance confirmed by Innovation/Club organiser. >80% attendance in a semester.	1 credit per semester – determined by organisers.
Student leadership and Parliament involvement	<b>6 credits</b>	1 credit per semester – contribution determined by JS HOD.	Additional courses offered in SDC – determined by HOSES.
Extracurricular involvement <i>ANZAC ceremony, Tech crew, Competitions</i>	<b>1 credit</b> per event – student application with signature of supervisor required.		
PBL rewards events and Burpies	<b>1 credit</b> per semester – discretion of HOD Wellbeing.		
Community Service	<b>1 credit</b> per semester per different service; letter from group leader/supervisor to accompany application.		

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## Junior Certificate of Education – Student Tracking Tool



Name				Graduation Year				
Semester achievement result must be a minimum C standard to be awarded 1 credit		Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		
		Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Term 3	Overall credits
Core	English							
	Humanities							
	Mathematics							
	Science							
	Elective 1							
	Elective 2							
	Elective 3							
	Elective 4							
Preparatory	PAL							
	JET plans							
	Attendance >95%							
	Effort/Behaviour							
Total credits		/10	/10	/10	/10	/10	/10	/60
Complementary (>24 extra points)	CONNECT attendance							
	Innovation programs							
	Student leadership							
	Extracurricular							
	PBL/Burpies							
	Community service							
Total credits								
Requirement	✓ / ✗	Details						
Literacy		English has been exited at a minimum C Standard.						
Numeracy		Mathematics has been exited at a minimum C standard						
Completed Core		I have successfully gained minimum 24 credits from core courses of study						
Total Credit		<b>30 credits received</b>						
JCE eligibility		I will be awarded a JCE at the end of Year 9						