



Year 9 2027

Course Selection Book



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Year 9 Course Descriptors 2027

All Year 9 students study the compulsory component of the Western Australian Curriculum:

- Mathematics 4 periods
- English or English as an Additional Language/Dialect 4 periods
- Science 4 Periods
- Humanities and Social Sciences 4 periods
- Health Education 1 period
- Physical Education via either the:
 - General Pathway, OR 2 Periods
 - Elite Skills Pathway 2 Periods

For more information about the Western Australian Curriculum and each course's syllabus documents go to: <https://k10outline.scsa.wa.edu.au/home/teaching/curriculum-browser>

In Semester 2, students will also be enrolled in the school's Work Studies course for two periods per week. In addition, students may choose up to 5 elective courses from the following:

THE ARTS

DANCE SEMESTER 1 - Urban Dance Foundations

CODE: 9DAN1

\$20

Step into the world of modern movement with Year 9 Dance. This high-energy course introduces students to the latest Urban Dance styles shaping today's music and pop culture. With a focus on confidence, teamwork, and technique, students learn to express themselves through rhythm, style, and performance. The semester culminates in exciting opportunities to take the stage during Lynwood SHS Arts Week, showcasing their growth and creativity.

DANCE SEMESTER 2 - Dance Technique & Choreography

CODE: 9DAN2

\$20

For students ready to take their dancing to the next level, Year 9 Dance launches them into a dynamic blend of Hip Hop and Contemporary styles. Students sharpen their technique, expand their creative range, and build a powerful performance toolkit as they explore new ways to move and express themselves. Collaboration is at the heart of this course, with dancers crafting original choreography that showcases leadership, imagination, and stage presence. Their energy and hard work explode onto the stage as they prepare polished, high-impact pieces for the Semester 2 Music, Art, Dance and Drama Showcase.



DRAMA SEMESTER 1 - Improvisation & Physical Theatre**CODE: 9DRA1****\$20**

Year 9 Drama invites students to explore bold, imaginative performance styles. Through Improvisation and Physical Theatre, students learn to think on their feet, communicate with confidence, and bring stories to life using their bodies and voices. They also work with scripted pieces and deepen their understanding of influential theatre practitioners such as Stanislavski. Their creative achievements are celebrated during Drama Night at Arts Week, where they perform for a live audience.

DRAMA SEMESTER 2 - Performance & Technical Theatre**CODE: 9DRA2****\$20**

This course is designed for students who want to push their dramatic skills further. Year 9 Drama explores Realism and multi-form devised theatre, giving students a rich understanding of global performance traditions. Alongside acting, they gain hands-on experience in lighting, sound, and costume design, learning how to shape a complete theatrical experience. Students direct and perform their own original works for the Semester 2 Music, Art, Dance and Drama Showcase, stepping into both creative and technical roles.

MEDIA STUDIES SEMESTER 1 - Flip the Scene**CODE: 9MED1****\$25**

Students plan, create and share media work, reflecting on the way they construct meaning for audiences while making ethical decisions about responsible representation. They follow safe production practices and reflect on their media work. Year 9 Media will help build vital skills for future Media courses or the Media industry, including working as a team and independently.

In Year 9, students explore how media languages manipulate meaning as they experience Australian or international media work. They investigate representations and consider how controls and constraints impact content creation. Students experiment with codes and conventions to construct representations, using pre-production documentation to guide production processes. They learn how audiences influence the development of their media work, build technical skills, and work in teams within production roles. They will recreate a scene from a movie or tv show and then develop and record their own podcast. Students plan, create and share media work, reflecting on the way they construct meaning for audiences while making ethical decisions about responsible representation. They follow safe production practices and reflect on their media work. Year 9 Media will help build vital skills for future Media courses or the Media industry, including working as a team and independently.



MEDIA STUDIES SEMESTER 2 – Live on Air**CODE: 9MED2****\$25**

In Year 9, students explore how media languages manipulate meaning as they experience Australian or international media work. They investigate representations and consider how controls and constraints impact content creation. Students experiment with codes and conventions to construct representations, using pre-production documentation to guide production processes. They learn how audiences influence the development of their media work, build technical skills, and work in teams within production roles. They will develop and record their own live radio program and then create a short promotional video.

MUSIC (CLASSROOM)**CODE: 9MUS1****\$25****CODE: 9MUS2****\$25**

Note: Music (Classroom) is run as a full-year course. Students will be enrolled for both Semester 1 and Semester 2.

This course is recommended for students who have previously studied Classroom Music in Year 7 and 8 or learn an instrument privately and have a strong interest in Music. It involves students creating, performing and responding to a variety of music from various cultures and genres. Students will use and manipulate the elements of music to achieve these processes. Students involved in the school's Music Program must select these two courses.

**VISUAL ART SEMESTER 1 – Drawing and Sculpture****CODE: 9VART1****\$55**

This course is constructed to allow students to explore traditional methods of investigating through a range of art media and drawing approaches. The students will have the opportunity to develop their ideas and observations through Art methods including Drawing, Painting and Sculpture.

Students will explore themes from our environment, still life and social issues as well as learning to use the Art Design language to evaluate their own work and the works of others both past and present.

VISUAL ART SEMESTER 2 – Drawing and Painting**CODE: 9VART2****\$45**

Visual art is the expression and application of creative skill and imagination. It is incorporated into everything we see, do, and create. In this course, students will explore a range of media to create artwork

and exhibit their creations. Art projects focus on various methods, including drawing, painting and print making.

Students will explore themes such as our environment, still life and social issues, and will learn art terminology to evaluate their work and research artists' works, both past and present. The skills learned in Year 9 Visual Art will help build vital skills for future art courses and the creative industry.

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

CODE: 9FIM

\$20

Students learn about the world of finance for managing money. Depending on student interest, topics may include investments, banking, personal budgeting and taxation; cards (credit, debit and smart) and scams.

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

BASKETBALL

CODE: 9BBL

\$20

This course provides students with the opportunity to further develop their Basketball skills, game knowledge and understanding of team play. Students will participate in a range of practical activities designed to improve advanced skill execution including shooting, passing, dribbling, rebounding and defensive techniques.

Students will also explore offensive and defensive strategies, game tactics, decision-making and communication skills required for successful team performance. Through modified games, drills and competitive play, students develop leadership, teamwork, sportsmanship and confidence in a supportive environment.

The course caters for students who enjoy Basketball and are interested in improving their performance, fitness and understanding of the game at a higher level of participation. Opportunities may also be provided for students to represent the school in interschool competitions and Basketball-related events.



OUTDOOR PURSUITS SEMESTER 1**CODE: 9ODP1****\$70**

Note: Students selecting this elective course **MUST** be able to competently swim 200m and tread water.

This course introduces students to a variety of outdoor recreation and adventure-based activities with a focus on developing personal skills, teamwork, resilience and safe participation in outdoor environments. Students will develop practical skills and knowledge in areas such as Water Safety and Survival, Kayaking and Bush Skills. Activities may include rescue techniques, safe use of equipment, navigation, campcraft, environmental awareness and teamwork challenges. Students are encouraged to build confidence, problem-solving abilities and independence while participating in both individual and group tasks.

The course promotes an appreciation of the outdoors and encourages students to develop responsibility, communication and leadership skills through practical experiences. One-day excursions and camps are offered to further extend student learning and provide authentic outdoor education experiences.

OUTDOOR PURSUITS SEMESTER 2**CODE: 9ODP2****\$50**

This course provides students with opportunities to challenge themselves physically and mentally through a range of outdoor adventure activities. Students will develop the skills and confidence required to safely participate in Archery, Orienteering and Camp Skill activities.

Students learn about equipment use and maintenance, safety procedures, risk management, teamwork and personal goal setting while participating in practical sessions. Activities are designed to improve fitness, coordination, resilience, communication and problem-solving skills in outdoor environments.

The course encourages students to step outside their comfort zone, develop perseverance and build positive relationships with peers through cooperative and adventure-based learning experiences. One-day excursions and camps are offered to further develop skills and provide students with real-world outdoor recreation experiences.



LANGUAGES

CHINESE	CODE: 9CHIN1	\$20
	CODE: 9CHIN2	\$20

Note: Chinese is run as a full-year course. Students will be enrolled for both Semester 1 and Semester 2.

Year 9 Chinese is designed to consolidate students' foundational language skills while expanding their ability to communicate in more meaningful and practical contexts. Students will continue developing their skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing Mandarin Chinese through a range of engaging topics related to weather, transport, school life, and celebration. Emphasis is placed on building sentence structures, increasing vocabulary, and improving pronunciation and fluency.

Students will also explore aspects of Chinese culture, including festivals, food, and social customs, to deepen their intercultural understanding. By the end of the course, students are expected to participate in simple conversations and produce short written texts with increasing accuracy and confidence.

SCIENCE

FORENSIC SCIENCE	CODE: 9FOR	\$50
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CSI: Crack the Case!

Ever wondered how mysteries really get solved? Forensic science gives you a glimpse into the world of clues, evidence, and uncovering what's hidden beneath the surface. This is the very first year this exciting course is being offered where you'll explore intriguing ideas, tackle puzzles, and look at everyday things in a completely different way. Through hands-on activities and real-world scenarios, you'll start thinking more like an investigator without even realising it. It's curious, thought-provoking, and full of surprises! Perfect for anyone who loves a good mystery. Ready to see what you can uncover? Step into forensic science and start exploring!

PSYCHOLOGY	CODE: 9PSY	\$20
<i>The Science of You: Brains, Behaviour and Big Questions</i>		

Ever wondered why your brain randomly blanks in a test, or why one TikTok can totally change your mood? Psychology is all about uncovering the secrets of how your mind works from optical illusions that trick you, to how social media, friends, and stress shape your decisions. This is the very first year this exciting course is being offered, where you'll explore interesting topics like personality and identity, memory and learning, mental health, and why people behave differently in groups. Through real-life examples, cool experiments, and plenty of "wait... what?!" moments, you'll start to understand both yourself and the people around you on a whole new level. It's like unlocking the inside story on human behaviour, something you'll use every day. Keen to figure out what makes you (and everyone else) tick? Sign up for psychology and start discovering what's really going on inside your mind!

TECHNOLOGIES

APPLIED ENGINEERING	CODE: 9PAE	\$75
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This course caters for students who have an interest in Design, Engineering and Digital Technologies. Students will complete projects through which they will learn basic principles of mechanical and electronic engineering as well as systems and control. A major focus of this course will be on problem solving and collaboration. Investigating the properties of materials and components they will use this knowledge to produce integrated projects. Students will consolidate learning in 3D printing, Computer Aided Design, laser

cutting and electronics. Whilst no prior experience or knowledge is necessary, students with a strong interest in the field of Computer Science or Engineering are encouraged.

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES - CHATBOTS AND AUGMENTED REALITY	CODE: 9DIGT	\$25
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Do you want to create your own chatbot and design interactive augmented reality experiences? In this semester course, you will build on the skills you developed in Digital Technologies 7 and 8 while exploring how digital technologies are changing the world around you.

In the first part of the course, you will learn about AI and how it affects everyday life. You will then create your own chatbot using Python, developing your coding, problem-solving and design skills.

In the second part of the course, you will explore augmented reality and discover how AR can be used to make learning more interactive, visual and engaging.

This course is designed for students who enjoy technology, creativity, coding, design and solving real-world problems. You will use computer science skills to create practical digital solutions, not just learn theory.

You should choose this course if you are interested in AI, chatbots, coding, augmented reality and creative digital design.

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY	CODE: 9PHOTO	\$30
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In this Digital Photography course, students will engage in workshops dedicated to learning the basic controls of a DSLR camera, emphasising aperture and how its use impacts an image. The focus of this course is on commercial photography, concentrating on portraiture and advertising. Students will plan and create studio portraits, using studio lighting, props and costumes to emulate their chosen photographic style. They will begin to utilise industry-standard digital photo editing systems to enhance their images.

Students will extend and refine their skills and processes for problem-solving and applying trends with new technologies. Year 9 Digital Photography will help build vital skills for future Photography courses or the Photography industry, including working as a team and independently.

FOOD GENERAL	CODE: 9FST	\$90
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In this unit, you will develop your skills in Food Science and Technology by preparing, handling, and presenting a range of food products. You will learn how to safely use different kitchen tools, equipment, and cooking techniques while following hygiene and safety practices.

You will apply the design process to plan, produce, and evaluate your own food product, thinking about nutrition, how the product works, and what consumers want. You will also explore packaging and basic product promotion, developing creative and practical ideas.



INTERNATIONAL FOOD**CODE: 9INT****\$90**

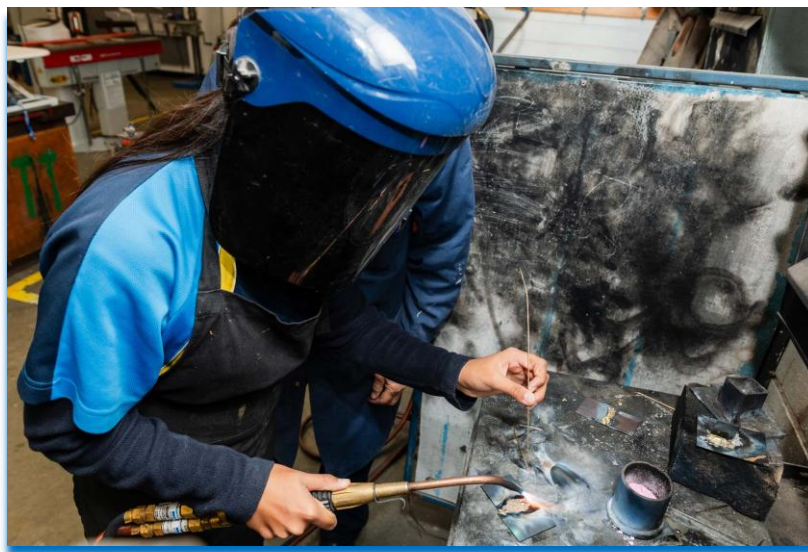
Cruising through Venice in a gondola - the smell of pasta wafting through the air; eating Fajitas while wearing your sombrero under the lazy sun; eating pancakes with bacon and maple syrup in Toronto. Experience the taste of exciting cuisines from around the world. Learn to appreciate how other cultures prepare, serve and cook a wide range of foods. Consider this magical trip around the world - you won't regret it. You will explore food as a material by investigating how different cultures use ingredients/foods differently. Your technology skills will be developed using a variety of equipment and cooking methods from other cultures.

JEWELLERY**CODE: 9JEW****\$65**

Students will explore the exciting world of jewellery making. They will discover various tools and equipment necessary for creating beautiful pieces like rings, bracelets, and necklaces. Through collaborative work, students will have the chance to design their own unique concepts and bring them to life by crafting their own jewellery.

METALWORK**CODE: 9METAL****\$75**

Students will be involved in a wide range of problem-solving activities using the technology process. During these experiences students will be introduced to basic hand and machine skills. Activities will include lathe work, sheet metal work, bench work and wrought iron work. They will investigate the properties of both metals and alloys and various techniques to manipulate them. They will also learn basic brazing, welding and silver soldering techniques to combine similar and dissimilar materials to enhance the aesthetics or functionality of their projects.

**TEXTILES****CODE: 9TXT****\$30**

Come and learn how to sew! You will learn to use a sewing machine and have the opportunity to develop your technology and creativity skills when making simple projects such as bags, stuffed toys and clothing.

TECHNICAL GRAPHICS**CODE: 9TECH****\$45**

In this course students will learn a variety of traditional and digital drawing styles which may include 2D and 3D drawings, isometric, orthogonal and rendering techniques. There will be opportunities to use the laser cutter and 3D printer to produce solutions to design problems after following a design process. Design

thinking is a major focus and the students will learn and utilise several techniques to create a variety of solutions to challenges.

WOODWORK**CODE: 9WOOD****\$75**

Students will use the technology process to develop their creative and project manufacturing skills. They will combine knowledge of the elements and principles of design, material properties and production techniques to design functional timber products based on the identified need of a client or stakeholder. This course is recommended for all students, especially those considering a career in the furniture or building and construction industry.

Year 9 Specialist Programs 2027

SOCCER ACADEMY**CODE: 9SOCC****\$285**

Note: Academy of Soccer is run as a full-year course and is open to students who hold an existing placement in the Specialist Soccer Academy program. Students will be enrolled for both Semester 1 and Semester 2.

The Academy is designed to enable students to attain excellence in Soccer. Programmes cover the skills, techniques and attitudes of high-level training practices. These include nutrition, training and physiology, umpiring and coaching of Soccer. Links are developed with Club, State and National bodies. Students need to have a specific interest in the course and entry requires a selection process. This course is inclusive of a coaching qualification.

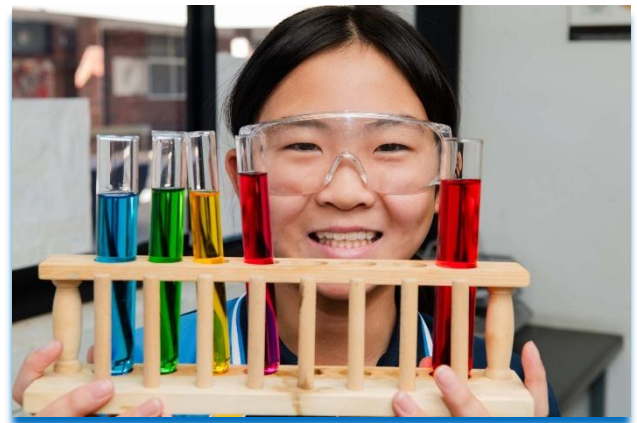
New students wishing to apply for this program are required to speak directly with the Academy of Soccer Coordinator. Should a place become available, applicants will subsequently be invited to undertake a skills trial.





EaLS students engage in a range of additional cross-curricular activities and programs throughout the year and this cost is to cover these expenses. This may include funding competitions, environmental activities and programs with external agencies and additional school programs where there is a cost to the school.

New students wishing to apply for this program are required to speak directly with the EaLS Coordinator. Should a place become available, applicants will subsequently be invited to an interview.



The Course Selection Process at Lynwood Senior High School

Students will use the Edval system to select their courses for Year 9 2027 course selections. Through Homeroom, students will receive a personalised letter with a **WEBCODE**, in addition to having this information emailed via their school email address. This webcode is specifically generated and unique to each student. This will allow the school to capture your preferences as you select them.

PROCESS STEPS:

- 1) Go to the following website: <https://my.edval.education/login?logout>
- 2) Enter the WEBCODE specific to you which is written above alongside your name
- 3) Hover your cursor over the box which says, 'YEAR 9 2027' and click on the 'CLICK HERE' button.
- 4) Review the 'NOTES' section and a 'RULES' section. Please read these through carefully.
- 5) Select your courses, including some reserve choices, in case your first selections aren't available.
- 6) Some listed courses will show as ineligible – this is because you don't have the prerequisite requirements.
- 7) Click on the 'Submit' button to send your preferences to the data collection server.
- 8) Click on 'Print' so that you can print off your selection. Ensure that your parents/carers have signed the form and bring the form into school and place it in the Collection Box at the Front Office.

Year 9 course selections will be open **until Friday, 24 July 2026**.

Courses will only run if there is sufficient student interest and staff availability.

Financial Responsibilities Regarding Cost of Courses

Course Costs

Course costs within this handbook are indicative and will be confirmed when the Contributions and Charges are approved by the School Board. Parents/Carers will be advised by the end of Term 4.

As mandated by government legislation, a set \$235 Voluntary Contribution course of study is available to students in Years 7 to 10 (exceptions being certain visa categories). Extra cost optional courses outside the set \$235 core program incur additional charges. Charges relate to items that students utilise over and above that which are supplied by the Department of Education.

Students are encouraged to enrol in a course which is within the family budget. Parents/carers are encouraged to refer to this whenever guiding their child/ren in course selection. If payment of course charges have not been received, or a payment plan has not been put in place, the school reserves the right to transfer the student into an alternative course that provides an appropriate educational pathway for the student.

Payment Options

The below options are available for the payment of Charges and Voluntary Contributions:

- By **Direct Deposit** to Lynwood Senior High School
BSB: 066-164
Account Number: 10222584
Reference: Student Surname, Initial, Year (eg. BloggsJYr9)
(Please ensure you complete the reference in the transaction so the school can track your payments).
- By completing the **credit card** information at the bottom of the Voluntary Contributions and Charges sheet and returning to the school.
- In person at Lynwood Senior High School Reception – cash or card accepted. Payments can also be made by phone using credit card.
- **Payment Plan** - organised by contacting the Lynwood Senior High School Finance Officer.
- **BPay** – details are provided on your Voluntary Contributions and Charges sheet.

Please contact the school office early if you have any payment issues so we can work with you. Charges not paid by the end of Term 3 each year are referred to a debt collection agency unless arrangements are in place for payments.

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)



Lynwood Senior High School has moved to a fully inclusive Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) site from 2026. To ensure your child prepared, please visit our school website for more details on BYOD requirements, supported devices, and purchasing options or scan the QR code.



Secondary Assistance Scheme

Some financial assistance is available for course charges and clothing. Most Centrelink Family Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession cardholders are eligible. Rules do change from year to year but if you do feel that you are eligible, please contact the school. Applications must be made by the end of Term 1 each year.