Middle and Senior School (Years 7 to 12)

Years 7 and 8
The Years 7 and 8 courses consist of two parts:
1. Core Studies
2. Language Other Than English (LOTE) elective - Students may choose to study Chinese, French or Japanese.

Year 9
The Year 9 course consists of three parts:
2. Core Elective Mathematics - all students must study a Mathematics subject. There is a choice of Mathematics Methods, General Mathematics, Essential Mathematics.
3. Electives chosen from the Creative Arts, Technology and LOTE areas. Each student must select one Major (4 periods) and two Minor (2 periods) subjects - one from each of the three study areas.
   a. Creative Arts (Music, Drama/Dance, Art)
   b. LOTE (Chinese, French, Japanese)
   c. Technology (Digital Technology, Workshop Skills, Drawing and Workshop Skills, Drawing Skills).
   d. MAP as a subject is only available to those students who are eligible for this support and is usually in place of the LOTE subject selection. For more information please contact the MAP Centre staff.

Year 10
There are three types of courses for Year 10:
2. Core Electives: all students must study a Mathematics and a Science subject. There is a choice of Mathematics courses (Essential Mathematics, General Mathematics and Mathematics Methods) and Science courses (Science A or Science B).
3. Electives: for each semester, students must select three electives from the Creative Arts, History and Geography, Art, Commerce, Drama, Design and Technology, Film and Television, Health and Physical Education, Information Technology, LOTE, Music or Philosophy and Reason areas.

Years 11 and 12
In Years 11 and 12 boys develop and strengthen their skills in specific interest areas. Students determine their two-year course of study when commencing Year 11 and can choose from Authority Subjects and Non-Authority Subjects depending upon their preferred pathway to tertiary studies.

Brisbane Boys’ College continues to bring pathway options into focus for Senior School students and their families. The College has a dedicated Careers and Counselling arm which provides students with guidance on future pathway options and personal development.

Throughout the year, the department holds In-Focus information sessions, whereby industry experts and tertiary institutions share their insights. The Careers program prides itself on bringing together some of Australia’s top institutions for hands-on workshops and information sessions.

To assist boys with pathway creation, each Year 12 student has an individual appointment with a senior Careers Counsellor in addition to regular career development classes. To assist with their professional development beyond the school gates, boys can also join the BBC Mentor Program which links recent graduates with Old Collegians who wish to share their professional insights and provide ongoing assistance after school.

Enrichment opportunities, ranging from participation in State and National competitions, acceleration and extension of curriculum delivery, leading to enrolment in university subject courses in Year 12, are also on offer for students who demonstrate a capability to extend their academic abilities.

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