

Media Release

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THE WAIT IS OVER FOR VCE AND VCAL STUDENTS

Around 65,000 students for both the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) and Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) will get their final results today – showcasing the incredible achievements of school communities right across the state.

This year, 49,581 students will graduate with their VCE – a completion rate of 98 per cent, while another 15,163 students will graduate with their VCAL, 6 per cent more than last year.

VCE results and Australian Tertiary Admission Rankings (ATAR) are available for students who registered to access their results online via the joint results website from 7:00am today.

This year's results show that Victorian students have achieved success across all senior secondary pathways.

The excellence in VCE is highlighted by the 13,607 students who received a study score of 40 or more, and the 3350 who were awarded the VCE Baccalaureate.

A statement of literacy and numeracy attainment for students who sat Section A of the General Achievement Test (GAT) is also included in this year's results. Over 96 per cent met the standard in each of the domains – reading, writing, numeracy – with around 11 per cent demonstrating a level of excellence in each.

This shows Victoria's education system is delivering students the best pathways to get a start in their career or enrol in further study. The introduction of the VCE Vocational Major from next year will add even more choices for students, under one VCE.

The Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) ensured students who were significantly affected by the floods were not disadvantaged by working directly with schools and applying Derived Examination Scores where they were needed.

Derived Examination Scores reflect as accurately as possible the level of achievement expected of individual students, based on all available assessment data gathered throughout the year, including GAT results.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Education Natalie Hutchins

"I would like to congratulate every student getting their results today, this is an exciting step as they move from secondary education into further study, training, the workforce or a gap year."

"These results show our education system is delivering high-quality outcomes, setting students up for future success in whatever pathway they choose. I want to acknowledge and thank the hardworking teachers, principals and parents right across the state who have supported students to achieve these fantastic results."

Quotes attributable to VCAA CEO Stephen Gniel

"Finishing school is an exciting time and your VCE or VCAL qualification will unlock many pathways now available to you. It's also natural to feel a little overwhelmed, so reach out to your family, teachers and friends for support and seek out all the information you can as you plan your next step."

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“While your results today reflect your hard work, they don’t define you. Feel proud of what you’ve achieved and remember, there are many post-school pathways and opportunities to achieve your goals.”

Results snapshot

- More than 89,000 Victorian students received their Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) and Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) results today.
- This year 49,581 students will graduate with their VCE, a completion rate of 98 per cent
- 15,163 students will receive their VCAL in 2022. Of those 8,192 were Year 12 students
- 3350 students will be awarded the VCE Baccalaureate
- 240,558 study scores were issued to students
- 21,251 study scores were 40 or above (9 per cent)
- 629 study scores were the maximum 50 (0.3 per cent)

General Achievement Test

- More than 80,000 students sat the General Achievement Test (GAT) on 7 September 2022
- For the first time this year, students' literacy and numeracy skills were assessed against new standards introduced into Section A of the GAT
- More than 96 per cent met the standards in each of the three domains: reading, writing and numeracy and around 11 per cent achieved a level of excellence in each.

Examinations

- 561 examination centres were available to students across the state – with the biggest at Bendigo Senior Secondary College (930 students) and smallest at Lake Bolac College, Cann River P-12 and Glenroy Private (4 students each)
- More than 82,000 students sat at least one VCE exam – written, performance or oral
- 261 mature age students sat an exam
- More than 42,600 students sat the English exam on 26 October
- Top 5 VCE studies in 2022 – English, Further Mathematics, Psychology, Mathematics Methods and Biology
- 572 non-Victorian students sat a VCE exam overseas – China (533), Timor Leste (11), Malaysia (12), Philippines (11) and Vietnam (5)