



YEAR 11 DIPLOMA



CRAIGHEAD
DIOCESAN SCHOOL

RESPECT

WHAKAUTE

for diversity, for others, for
self and for the environment.

INTEGRITY

NGAKAU PONO

being honest in voice and action,
holding yourself accountable.

SERVICE

WHAKARATO

understanding our place
and responsibility in society.

EXCELLENCE

KAIRANGATIRA

being the best person you can be.

Ko te pikō o te mahuri, tērā te tupu o te rākou

The way in which the young sapling is nurtured, determines how the tree will grow.

The Craighead Diploma is designed to recognise and acknowledge achievement and contribution both inside and outside of the classroom. Learning takes place in many different spheres and acknowledges that students have different strengths is an important part of this qualification.

The Four Criteria:

1. Academic Engagement and Attainment

This component recognises a student's commitment to learning and achievement. Students actively engage in class, complete all expected work and assessments, and collaborate effectively with their peers.

2. Spirituality and Special Character

There are two parts to the Spirituality/Special Character component that recognises a student's contribution to the life of the school.

- All students will complete a rotational course covering Religious Studies, Health and Careers.
- During the Retreat, a Spirituality/Special Character component will be a feature of this time when the students participate in the Retreat programme, which will be held during Term 1.

3. Community and Service

All students will undertake 20 hours of volunteer work in the community. Five hours of this will be organised by the school, during the Retreat in Term 1, with the remaining 15 hours being organised by the student. The hours will be logged through Student Volunteer Army and will be tracked by the Year 11 Dean.

4. Te Ao Māori

This component is designed to allow students to demonstrate a commitment to bicultural Aotearoa New Zealand. The school will arrange and organise external providers to assist in the completion of this component.

Diploma Completion

- All students need to meet the following criteria to have their Diploma awarded at the end of Year 11.
 - A completed Record of Learning
 - Course completion and attendance requirements
 - Been assessed for Literacy and Numeracy
 - Completed all four criteria.



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Assessment

All assessment practices will follow established practices as per existing NZQA requirements. Any resubmissions must be approved by the HOD after moderation and students will have an hour of class time to complete these. Where appropriate re-assessments may be offered, but this is at the discretion of the teacher/HOD.

There will be a formal end of year examination period for Year 11. Most assessment will take place at the end of units of work or as a portfolio completion. All assessments undertaken will be marked as Not Achieved, Achieved, Merit or Excellence. Departments will determine the type of assessments offered in their programmes. Only four assessments will be offered in the year.

Course Completion

All aspects of the course implemented in subject areas must be completed. In the instance of absence through illness from an assessment, the existing policy procedures will apply, as per the Qualifications Handbook.

Reporting

All assessment results will be loaded onto Kamar, and available to the students/parents via the Parent Portal.

Endorsement

Overall endorsement will be awarded for the following:

Platinum – students must achieve three Excellence grades in three subjects **and** at least twelve Excellence grades across six subjects to gain Platinum endorsement e.g three Excellences in Geography, PE and English and at least three more across the remaining three subjects. All subjects need at least one Excellence.

Gold – students must achieve three Excellences or Merit grades in three subjects **and** at least twelve Merit or Excellence grades to gain a Gold endorsement.

Bronze – students must achieve three out of the four assessments offered in five subjects to gain a Bronze endorsement.

All Year 11 students will receive an embossed Diploma, along with their Record of Learning and Achievements at the completion of their Year 11 academic year. They will be eligible for Scholars Colours and the Top Scholars Awards.

Attendance

85% attendance is required to achieve the Diploma. Where there are genuine extenuating circumstances, discretion will be applied. Students involved in sports exchanges, tournaments and other school related activities where they are representing the school will be classed as present for attendance purposes for the Diploma.



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Year 11 Diploma Subjects

ARTS: CREATIVE AND PERFORMING

- Drama
- Music
- Visual Art

ENGLISH

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

LANGUAGES

- German

SCIENCES

- Agricultural/Horticultural
- General Science

SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Commerce
- Geography
- History

TECHNOLOGY

- Digital Technology
- Product Design

Students will study six subjects. English, Maths and Science are compulsory and a minimum of two portfolio based subjects can be taken



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