Frequently asked Questions

QUESTION	ANSWER
1) Are these electives just for Year 9?	No. When you pick it is for 2 years. So pick carefully as you will not get to change between Year 9 and 10.
2) Is iSTEM an accelerated course?	No, it is a Year 9/10 elective.
3) If I get offered a place in an accelerated course do, I must give up one of my electives?	If you get offered a place in an accelerated course AND you accept it, this course will become one of your electives. You will select it and 2 others online via "select my subjects".
4) When do you know if you will be offered an accelerated course?	Sometime in week 8 letter of offers for the accelerated course will be given to students.
5) What does iSTEM learn about exactly?	There is a lot of information on the website under Science but if you want more information about iSTEM and what it involves see the HT Science.
6) Is there a possibility that after choosing 3 subjects, any of the subjects may not be allocated later due to capacity or other issues	Yes, twice in the selection process this may happen. 1) if the subjects do not run or 2) when the line structure is determined there may be a clash of your subjects. If this occurs you will be asked to re-pick from the
7) After submitting 3 subject selections, if you change your mind, can you change before the cut-off date (date you must submit preferences online)?	 available electives. You have 3 logins. If you have submitted your receipt and want to change your mind. YOU MUST do the following: Resubmit online Print off a new receipt Then organise with Mrs Lovett (B1) to swap your receipt for the new one.
8) If I get into accelerated course can I still apply for iSTEM?	If you accept the position in the accelerated course you are not eligible for the iSTEM elective. Due to staffing iSTEM may need to be limited to 2 classes. If this occurs preference is given to students who have not been offered an opportunity to be part of the acceleration program.
9) Could all 3 of my choices come from technology subjects? e.g. wood, textiles and food?	Yes, there are no restrictions on what KLA your electives come from.
10) Do you have to put your preferences in the order you want most?	Yes, the system does take this into account when determining which elective to put you if there is a clash.

11) Can you choose a language different to the one you did in year 8?	Yes
12) Do the electives appear on my RoSA?	Yes, if they are Board developed or endorsed. NESA no longer requires students to complete electives as part of their pattern of study for the RoSA.
	The DET requires that students complete 2 electives (400 hours in total) over Years 9 and 10.
	CGHS offers three 200-hour electives over Years 9 and 10 (600 hours in total).
13) Does Year 9 NAPLAN count to your ROSA?	No
14) What is RoSA?	ROSA is the NESA Record of School Achievement. You receive this at the end of Year 10 and Year 11 and the HSC is the end of Year 12
15) What if a course is just slightly oversubscribed? Do you automatically make 2 classes? If not, how do determine who gets in and who doesn't?	If a course runs and it is slightly over in numbers there will be 2 classes.
16) If my daughter is one of the small percentage who doesn't get all her electives, do you need another signed slip for her new selections?	Parents need to sign a reselection form so we know parents are aware of the selections