

Subject name School-based Apprenticeships and Traineeships (Year 10 only)

Subject code SAT

Additional subject cost Nil

Prerequisites Nil

Course overview

School-based apprenticeships and traineeships (SATs) allow high school students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to work for an employer and train towards a recognised qualification, while completing their secondary schooling and studying for their QCE and/or an ATAR.

School-based apprenticeships and traineeships (SATs) are perfect for high school students who want to get a head start on their career. SATs allow high school students to combine school and training with working in a real job, with a real boss, for a real wage. To be enrolled into a SAT, students must be enrolled at a school and be in Year 10 or above.

Benefits of a SAT

- **More flexibility and variety**

The variety provided by SATs can have enormous benefits for young people who prefer hands-on learning to traditional schooling pathways.

- **Head start in a career**

Young people employed as school-based apprentices and trainees develop workplace skills, knowledge, confidence and have a competitive edge when applying for jobs. A SAT can lead directly to full-time employment once a student has left school.

- **Nationally recognised qualifications with a workplace component**

All school-based apprentices and trainees participate in vocational training that contributes to a Certificate III vocational qualification which can count towards the student's Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). A completed Certificate III qualification generally attracts eight QCE points.

- **An opportunity to learn and earn**

School-based apprentices and trainees are paid while they learn workplace skills, gain confidence, and adapt to a work environment. It gives the student the opportunity to put skills learnt at school into practice in a real work environment.

The key to gaining a SAT is in the student finding an employer. Generally, this is achieved through one of four methods:

1. Completion of Work Experience
2. Converting part-time employment into a SAT
3. Following up on opportunities advertised by the Careers Office – Positions Available List emailed weekly
4. Taking advantage of your family network.

Please contact our school's Careers Office if you have any questions or require additional information.