

# Margaret River SHS

## UPPER SCHOOL PATHWAYS

Year 11, 2027

Year 12, 2028

## VOCATIONAL EDUCATION



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## What other programs are there?

- There are also Vocational Education and Training (VET) programs and Endorsed programs which contribute to WACE equivalence and address areas of learning not covered by courses.
- VET programs are nationally accredited. Students can mix and match these options to provide the best platform to meet the requirements to achieve Secondary Graduation.



## COURSES STUDENTS CAN STUDY

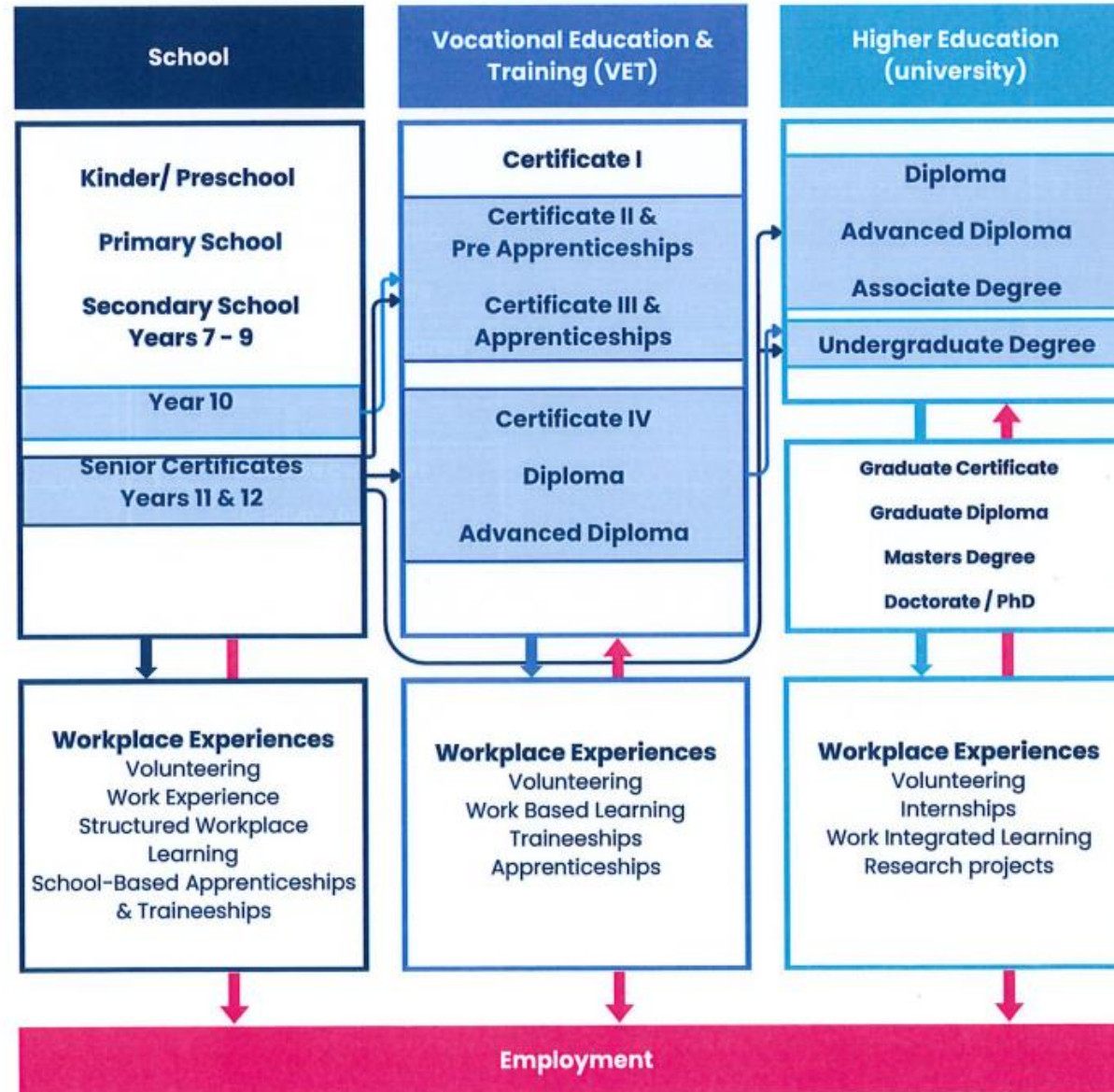
WACE Courses:  
General and ATAR

V.E.T.  
Certificates

Endorsed  
Programs

**These all count towards WACE achievement.**

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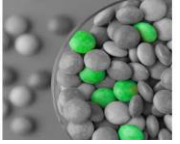
# Why VET programs are different

- Practical and industry focussed
- No Grades, achievement is through proof of skills
- Range of work opportunities via work experience
- Helps develop a pathway for specialty areas
- Recognised across Australia.



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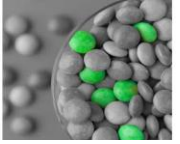




## Vocational Education and Training Programs

A VET or Certificate Course are different to other courses or subjects at school.

- **Units of Competency** – these are like building blocks. The number varies from 7 to 16 depending on the level.
- They require the **collection of evidence** – including written and performance of tasks.
- These courses do have a **minimum Literacy Level**.
- They have a strong **industry connection** – may require work experience of 100-200 hours to complete.



# VET Programs run by MRSHS Teachers on campus.

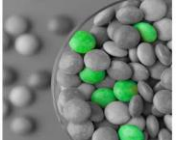
(4 periods per week over 2 years)



- Certificate II Information and Digital Media Technology (Skills Strategies International )
- Certificate III Business (Skills Strategies International)

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Please check details in the course selection booklet at:  
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- Certificate II Agriculture

(WISE Education Ltd. /Access Skills Training Australia)

This course includes training at the school farm and as camp at  
**Muresk Institute near Northam .**

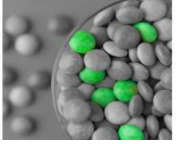


- Certificate II Engineering (CARTEC)

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## VET Programs run by MRSHS Teachers on campus. (4 periods per week for 2 years)



- Certificate II Visual Art (Skills Strategies International)

- Certificate III Events Management (Skills Strategies International)



Courses at Cert III require significant time outside school to either be involved in local events or completion of artwork. A serious level of commitment is required.

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# CERTIFICATE II VISUAL ART WHAT IS INVOLVED?

- A range of Units - including **12 units**, 4 core units and 8 elective units.
- All units must be completed to achieve the full certificate over this **2-year course**.
- Exhibitions including our Creating Identity Exhibition – offering students a chance to sell their work!
- Theory tasks- A 'C' grade for English is a recommended for this Certificate II courses.



# CERTIFICATE II VISUAL ARTS?

Students studying this course develop knowledge and the practical application of design and technical skills linked to many kinds of employment.





# **CERTIFICATE II VISUAL ART. SUPPORTS SUCCESS IN A WIDE RANGE OF JOBS:**

*such as:*

**Graphic design, interior design, set design, architecture, illustration, tattoo artistry, make-up artistry, textiles, jewellery design, fashion design, costume design....**

**The list goes on and on and on.**



# CERTIFICATE III EVENTS. WHAT IS INVOLVED?

- Units connected to all aspects of the Events industry.
- Practical work preparing and working at key community and school events such as the 2027 Arts Festival.
- Visits to Events sites – The Surfers Pro, Cinefest Oz, Optus Stadium and more
- Guest speakers and event industry tours.
- Theory tasks – Note: Certificate III - A 'C' grade in Year 10 English is required to succeed in this Certificate course.

**MARGARET RIVER IS AN “EVENTS-HUB” AND A SIGNIFICANT TOURIST DESTINATION.**

**CERTIFICATE III EVENTS COULD LEAD TO A CAREER OR WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES IN A RANGE OF AREAS CONNECTED TO THE EVENTS INDUSTRY.**

**The Certificate III in Events provides students with a range of skills and knowledge to contribute to events in the school and the local and wider communities.**



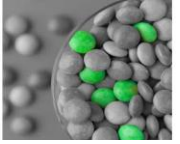


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19-22 OCTOBER 2017

HAVE YOU DONE IT YET?





## VET Programs run by MRSHS Teachers on campus.

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- Certificate II Sports Coaching (yr 11) (IVET)
- Certificate II Sport and Recreation (yr 12) (IVET)



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# VETDSS

Vocational Education Training  
Delivered to **Secondary Students**

Available to students in Years 11 & 12

Complete your normal school subjects while  
also studying a vocational course @ TAFE

Is free



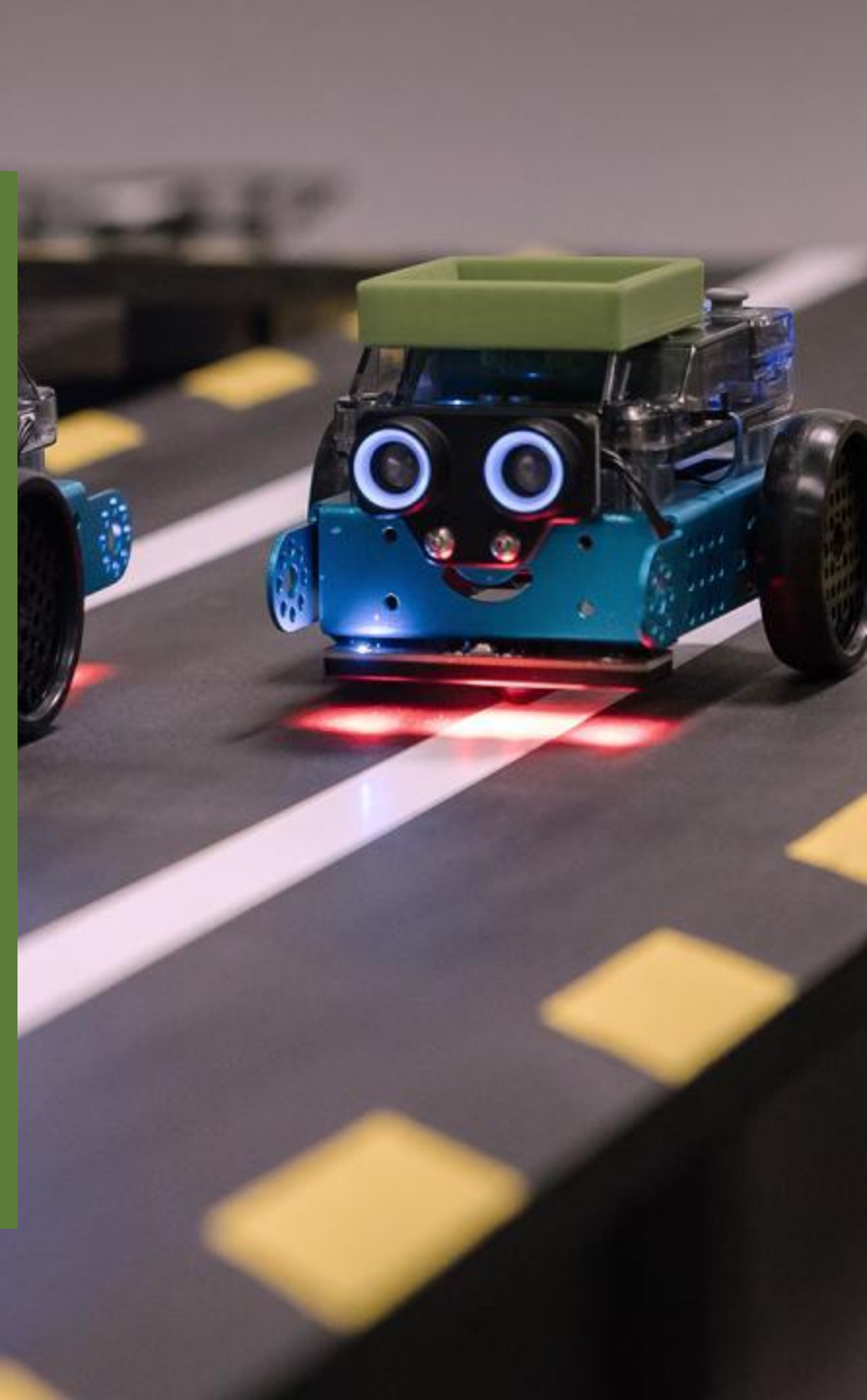
# Why VETDSS?

Combines school subjects with hands-on, practical learning

Helps you learn skills for real jobs while still at school

Gives you a head start on a career or trade

Can help you decide what you want to do after school



# Apply for VETDSS

What we are looking for:

**Good school attendance**

**C Grades**

**OLNA/NAPLAN**

**Work Experience/Volunteering/Casual Job**

**Mature approach to learning**



# **VETDSS Offerings** @ TAFE Margaret River Campus

**Certificate II in Electrotechnology (Career Start)**

**Certificate II in Conservation & Ecosystems Management**

**Certificate II in Horticulture**

**Certificate II in Wine Industry Operations**

**Certificate II & III in Music**

**Certificate III Visual Arts**

**Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care**

**Certificate III in School Based Education Support**

**Certificate IV in Preparation for Health & Nursing Studies**

**Certificate II & III in Hospitality**

**Certificate II in Cookery**





# Health, Community, Business & Education

@ various South West Campuses

**Sport & Recreation - Fitness**

**Community Services**

**Health Support Services**

**Prep for Health & Nursing**

**Early Childhood Education & Care: 2-year course**

**School Based Education Support: 2-year course**

**Business – Workplace Skills – Accounts Administration**

**Applied Digital Technologies – IT (Cyber Security)**

**Music – Visual Arts**

# **Pre-Apprenticeships** @ TAFE Bunbury Campus

**Automotive Servicing – Light Automotive  
Servicing – Heavy**

**Building & Construction** (Pathway Trades: Painting  
& Decorating, Carpentry, Bricklaying & Blocklaying,  
Wall & Ceiling)

**Commercial Cookery**



# Trades, Service Industries & Environmental Science

@ various South West Campuses

**Engineering Pathways**

**Civil Construction**

**Autonomous Workplace Operations**

**Aviation (Remote Pilot)**

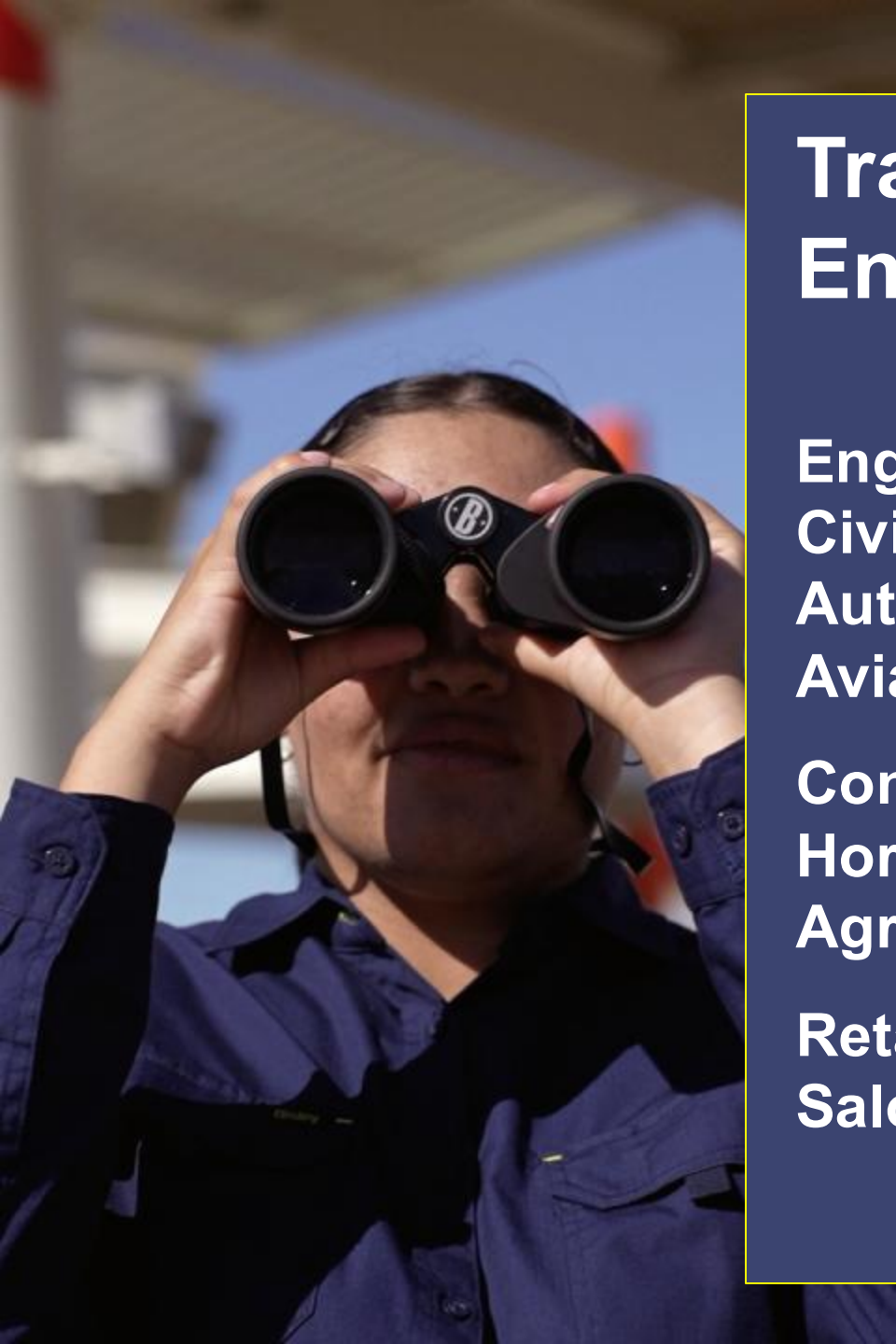
**Conservation & Ecosystem Management**

**Horticulture**

**Agriculture**

**Retail Cosmetics**

**Salon Assist**



# Pathways after VETDSS?

Further Study at TAFE – 2 intakes per year

School-Based Traineeship

Full-Time Apprenticeship

University Pathway – Certificate IV

Employment



# Important Dates

**Applications Open: 29 July 2026**

**Applications Close: 19 August 2026**

**Interviews for Competitive Courses:  
14 September to 25 September**

**Offers released: 12 to 30 October 2026**

**Classes begin: week 1, term 1, 2027**



# QUESTIONS?



# Thank you!



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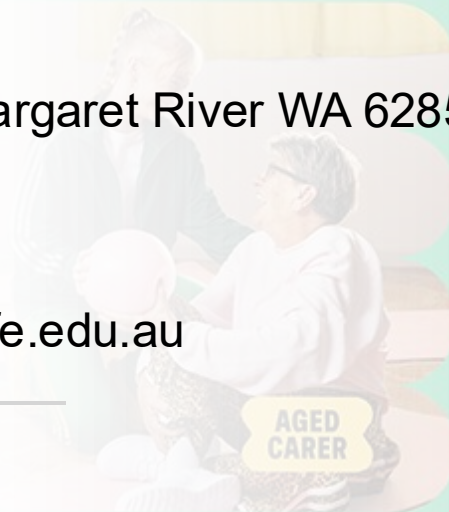


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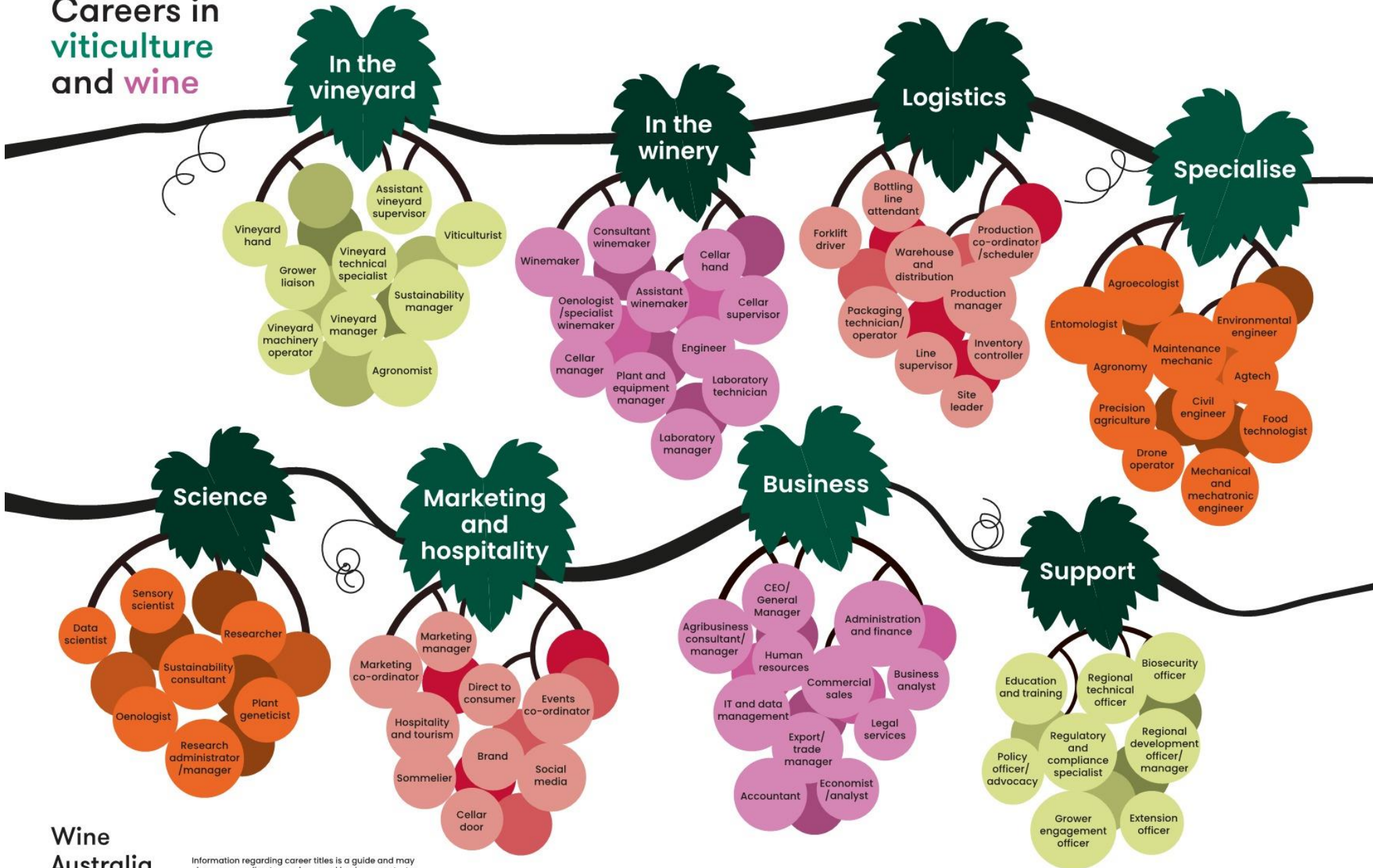
# Careers in Viticulture & Wine

Margaret River Senior High School - 3 June 2026

The Margaret River wine sector is vibrant and innovative and needs passionate people from all walks of life.

Whether you're interested in science, sustainability, sales, logistics or creative pursuits there is something for everyone!

# Careers in viticulture and wine



A woman with her hair in a ponytail, wearing a light-colored button-down shirt and shorts, stands in a vineyard. She is reaching out with her right hand to touch a grapevine. The background shows more grapevines and a clear sky.

# Careers in Australia's viticulture and wine sector

<https://www.wineaustralia.com/careers>

<https://findacareer.think.digital>

**IN PARTNERSHIP:**  
**Margaret River Wine Association &  
Margaret River Senior High School**

Opportunities for Vineyard & Winery Excursions, Work Placement Learning  
and School-Based Traineeships

These Margaret River wine producers have supported Work Placement Learning for MRSHS students in the past:

**Cape Mentelle | Juniper Estate | McHenry Hohnen | Mr Barval  
Leeuwin Estate | Xanadu | Voyager Estate**



## Introducing Dan Stocker ...

Assistant Vineyard Manager at Juniper Estate

- Dan's pathway into the wine industry
- **Case Study:** Juniper Estate's Experience with a School-Based Trainee

MARGARET  
RIVER  
WINE

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