



New North
Education Initiative

Year 10
COURSE SELECTION
2026

**ATAR and
General Courses**

New North Education Initiative (NNEI) - What is it?

A collaborative initiative between:



The purpose of the NNEI is to allow students at these schools to access a wider breadth of senior school curriculum choices with specialist teachers. Students remain attached to their home school campus and may attend a host school for a selected course. The NNEI has responded to community demands for excellence in education from their local schools.

The schools in the NNEI will deliver a range of courses and programs across the campuses. The shared courses will be offered in two-hour blocks, twice per week throughout the school year.

Trade Training Centre Programs will run on designated days.

NNEI - Travel between the schools.

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2026 ATAR and General Courses Offered



PSYCHOLOGY (Year 11 & 12)
at DIANELLA SC



MATHS SPECIALIST (Year 11)
at GIRRAWHEEN SHS



PHYSICS (Year 11)
at DIANELLA SC



POLITICS AND LAW (YEAR 11 & 12)
at MORLEY SHS



**Children, Family and the Community -
GENERAL at BALGA SHS**



**Certificate II Information, Digital Media
and Technology at BALGA SHS**



PSYCHOLOGY - ATAR

NNEI Provider School: Dianella Secondary College

Are you curious about how people think, feel, and behave? The Psychology ATAR course explores the scientific study of human behaviour and mental processes. Students will investigate various topics, including brain function, memory, personality, social influence, and psychological disorders.

Through engaging theory and real-world applications, students will develop research skills, critical thinking, and an understanding of how psychology contributes to personal and societal wellbeing. This course is ideal for students interested in careers in health, education, social work, criminology, and human services.

Key Topics Include:

- Biological and cognitive psychology
- Social psychology and personality
- Mental health and wellbeing
- Research methods and ethical practice

Why Choose Psychology ATAR?

Supports pathways to university in a range of disciplines

Develops analytical and communication skills

Encourages understanding of human behaviour in everyday life

MATHS SPECIALIST - ATAR

NNEI Provider Schools: Girrawheen Senior High School

Mathematics Specialist ATAR is designed for students who are strongly interested in mathematics and want to explore the subject at a deeper and more complex level. It goes beyond the Mathematics Methods ATAR course by focusing on advanced reasoning, rigorous proofs, and sophisticated mathematical modelling.

This course must be studied alongside Mathematics Methods ATAR, and is ideal preparation for university pathways in engineering, physical sciences, actuarial science, and advanced mathematics.

Key Areas of Focus:

- Advanced mathematical reasoning and proof
- Complex numbers, vectors, and matrices
- Calculus and functions at an extended level
- Mathematical modelling and real-world applications

Why Choose Mathematics Specialist ATAR?

- Challenging content for high-achieving students
- Develops analytical and abstract thinking skills
- Supports entry into competitive university STEM programs



PHYSICS - ATAR

NNEI Provider Schools: Dianella Secondary College

Physics is the foundation of all sciences, helping us understand and quantify the world around us. This course explores how the universe works, from motion and forces to energy and waves, through the lens of measurement and scientific investigation.

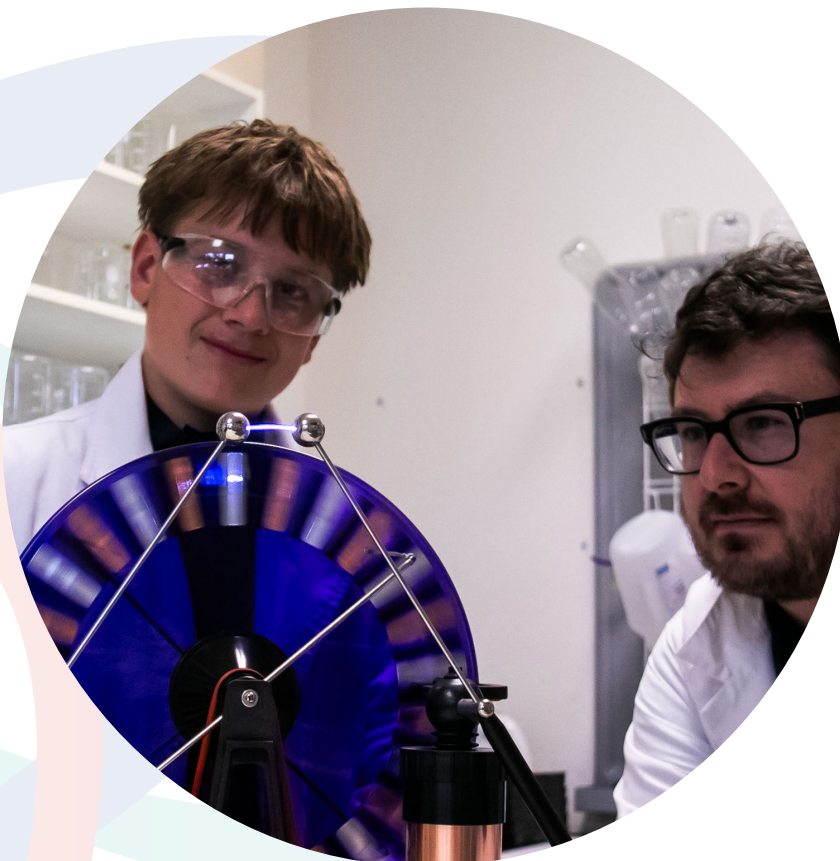
Students will learn to ask questions, collect and analyse data, and communicate scientific ideas using real-world examples and hands-on investigations. These units build strong analytical and problem-solving skills, essential for careers in engineering, technology, medicine, and more.

Key Areas of Focus:

- **Measurement:** Explore the philosophy and practice of measurement, units and standards, and how to report and manage uncertainty.
- **Scientific Investigations:** Learn to plan and conduct experiments, analyse results, and communicate findings effectively.

Why Choose Physics ATAR?

- Develop skills in critical thinking and scientific reasoning
- Gain experience in practical investigations
- Build a strong foundation for STEM-related university pathways





POLITICS AND LAW - ATAR

NNEI Provider School: Morley Senior High School

The Politics and Law ATAR course explores how decisions are made for the collective good of society. It builds students' understanding of the principles, structures, institutions, and processes that shape Australia's political and legal systems.

Students will examine how power is exercised and limited through the government's executive, legislative, and judicial branches. The course also investigates democratic principles and encourages comparison with other global political and legal systems.

Key Areas of Focus:

- How laws and policies are developed and implemented
- Accountability of government and legal institutions
- Rights and responsibilities of citizens in a democracy
- Comparative analysis of international political and legal systems

Why Choose Politics and Law ATAR?

- Deepen your understanding of how government and law impact everyday life
- Build skills in analysis, debate, and critical thinking
- Prepare for careers in law, politics, international relations, and public service

GENERAL COURSES AT BALGA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Children, Family and the Community - GENERAL

The Children, Family, and the Community General course focuses on factors that influence human development and the well-being of individuals, families, and communities.

Students explore the health of individuals and communities and the protective and preventative strategies that impact on growth and development.

They engage in shared research and examine goal setting, self-management, decision-making, communication, and cooperation skills when creating products, services, or systems that will assist individuals, families, and communities in achieving their needs and wants.

- Explore development, health, and wellbeing of individuals and families.
- Includes practical components related to care and community services.

CERTIFICATE COURSES AT BALGA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Certificate II Information, Digital Media and Technology

An introductory course over two years designed for high school students. This course focuses on providing skills and knowledge, particularly software support, to employees in an office environment.

- Build foundational IT skills in software, digital communication and computing.
- Ideal for students pursuing pathways in technology or further study in ICT.

The course includes:

- Use computer operating systems and hardware
- Work and communicate effectively in an ICT environment
- Operate application software packages
- Operate a digital media technology package
- Use social media tools for collaboration and engagement



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