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Year 10 Trade Taster Program

The Year 10 Trade Taster Program allows eligible high school students to try out a trade without needing to commit to a full qualification or apprenticeship. Students get to see if a trade is the right option for the them, or test out a potential career pathway.

This program is subsidised by the Queensland Government and is offered at no cost. The program is only available to Year 10 students, enrolled in a Queensland high school or enrolled with a registered home schooling provider. This program does not exhaust a student's VETiS funding entitlement but Departmental funding rules exclude students who are currently enrolled into a VETiS funded qualification.

Applications open Thursday 9th March at 9am.

TAFE Qld are expecting a high level of interest in this program and a large number of applications. Applications will be handled on a first in, first served basis on the time a complete application was submitted. Applying for this program is similar to purchasing tickets to a concert and not all applicants will receive an offer of place.

Please see the below information about:

- How to apply
- Applying for a USI
- What happens after submitting an application
- How the program works
- Trades on offer
- Where the program is located and when it runs

FAQ

How to apply

To submit an application for the Year 10 Trade Taster Program students will need to:

- Go to tafeapply.com
- Enter the application code of **TQST23TT** (please note – the application code will not work until applications open at 9am on Thursday 9th March)
- Enter all of the required information (for a list of information required, please open the attachment ‘Trade Taster Application Questions’. Having this information ready in advance, will enable students to submit their application faster.
- Students will require their USI at the time of application. Please note this is a mandatory field.

Applying for a USI

- To create a USI go to <https://usi.gov.au>

The name that you use to create your USI must match the name that you use to submit your application. Your application will not be considered complete until a valid USI is provided so please do not enter random data into this field.

What happens after you submit an application?

Emails will be sent to all students (and parent/guardians) that have applied with more information about what programs are available at your chosen location and the trades each group contains. Follow the email's instructions about next steps

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Emails will be sent to all students (and parent/guardians) that have applied asking students to:

How does the Year 10 Trade Taster Program work?

The program delivers training to small groups of 14 students, one day per week for seven weeks. Throughout the program students get to try three different trade areas as well as having the opportunity to complete their Construction Industry Safety White Card. Students will complete individual competencies from various programs but will not complete a full certificate or obtain any QCE points.

What trades are on offer?

Each group will be a set mix of three trades. Students can submit preferences and TAFE Qld will endeavour to place students in accordance with this. Student will undertake all trades that are in their assigned group. More detailed information regarding each trade will be included with the preference emails.

Available Trades

Automotive – Light Vehicle
Automotive – Heavy Vehicle
Carpentry
Electrical
Engineering
Furniture Making
Plumbing
Recreational Vehicles
Wet Trades (to be determined but may include Tiling, Painting & Decorating, Bricklaying or Plastering)
Casting & Moulding



Acacia Ridge

Where the program is located:

The Year 10 Trade Taster Program is available at three TAFE Queensland SkillsTech locations however TAFE Qld Acacia Ridge Training Centre is the closest for students at Flagstone State Community College.

- 247 Bradman Street, Acacia Ridge

When will the program run?

There will be three intakes of the Year 10 Trade Taster Program in 2023. Please note these details are subject to change. Full program information will be sent to students and parents as part of the enrolment process. All classes run from 8am – 3.45pm. Students will only be permitted to undertake one intake of the program.