




# WAIMEA COLLEGE

Subject Choice 2018  
Year 9 Students

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The Waimea College option choices meet the needs of the National Curriculum Framework. All students will have year-long courses in English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and Health & Physical Education.

The other 3 essential learning areas are The Arts, Technology and Languages. These will be delivered in a series of “units”. Each unit will be 3 hours per week for one term. Students will do a total of **8 units** in the year – two units per term.

Students will also choose 5 Enrichment courses which have a cross-curricular focus (see over page). 

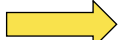
Please choose from the following list so that you are doing **8 units** from those available. Indicate your choice by ticking the boxes in the left hand column below. Each subject has a unit value of 1 or 2 units. (✓)

The Arts			
<input type="checkbox"/>	MUS	Music = 1 unit	You <b>must</b> do at least <b>2</b> from Music, Performing Arts or Visual Art.  You <b>can</b> choose to take <b>3</b> subjects from this category if you wish.  Refer to the Curriculum Handbook for course information.
<input type="checkbox"/>	PFA	Performing Arts = 1 unit	
<input type="checkbox"/>	VAR	Visual Art = 1 unit	
OR			
Technology			
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIT	Biotechnology = 1 unit	Digital Technology Media is a <b>compulsory</b> subject in Year 9. All students will study this for one term during the year.  You <b>can</b> choose <b>any other</b> Technology units however, so that your total number of units for all subjects equals 8.  Refer to the Curriculum Handbook for course information.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DTM	Digital Technology Media = 1 unit	
<input type="checkbox"/>	DTS	Digital Technology Studies = 1 unit	
<input type="checkbox"/>	FDT	Food Technology = 1 unit	
<input type="checkbox"/>	MAT	Materials Technology = 2 units	
Language (Each Language = 2 units)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	FRE	French	You <b>may</b> choose <b>1</b> of the languages.  Please note that Reading is recommended for students who need additional assistance with English, spelling, comprehension, reading, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/>	JAP	Japanese	
<input type="checkbox"/>	MAO	Te Reo Māori	
<input type="checkbox"/>	REA	Reading	

Options are full

### PLEASE NOTE

The units that you choose to do in Year 9 will not generally limit your choice of options in Year 10. However, only able students should consider starting a foreign language in Year 10.

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## ENRICHMENT COURSES

Each student will study 4 Enrichment courses in Year 9. Each course is one term in length. Enrichment courses aim to include more than one curriculum area and focus on Key Competencies and project work. Choosing Enrichment courses can enable students to extend in an area that interests them.

Each Enrichment Course will come from a strand or cross-curricular area. Refer to the Curriculum Handbook for course information.

**Choose 5 courses in order of preference from the list below. We will endeavour to give you your top 4 choices.**

No. 1-5	Code	Strand	Course Name – See Curriculum book for more details
	EAC	<b>ACTIVATE</b>	<b>Mission to Mars:</b> Choking gases, deadly radiation, a dry and burnt landscape, and alien life forms. How did we get here...? Your ten-week mission is to explore what it takes to get to the Red Planet and survive!
	EBD	<b>BOOST</b>	<b>So Much To Give:</b> This practical focused course could include projects such as; making blankets, recipe/story books, jewellery, art works or the student's own project ideas.
	ECH	<b>CHANGE</b>	<b>World View:</b> You will explore social issues such as the refugee crisis, terrorism, conflict, human trafficking, famine and child soldiers that will likely impact on the future well-being of the human race.
	ECR	<b>CREATE</b>	<b>Unleash Your Creativity:</b> If you have a passion for art, dance, drama, movie making, composing music, designing costumes, or you just want to explore where your creative passions lie, this course is for you.
	EEX	<b>EXPLORE</b>	<b>Grow Your Future:</b> In this course you might try your hand at aquaculture, horticulture, viticulture, forestry, agriculture and more, investigating aspects of science and production.
	ELD	<b>LEAD</b>	<b>Growing Leaders:</b> This course is based on essential components of leadership. Students will engage in activities both within the classroom and beyond, undertaking leadership opportunities that will be fun.
	ESA	<b>SAVE</b>	<b>Save Our Local Environment:</b> This course involves students actively investigating local environmental issues and opportunities using scientific skills and processes.
	ESP	<b>SPARK</b>	<b>Drive:</b> Imagine if anything was possible..... what would you want to learn about? If you have a spark of interest and a willingness to drive your own learning, you can do it in this course.
	EPA	<b>PAIHERE</b>	<b>Te Tumu Tumu:</b> Students will discover what makes us uniquely Aotearoa New Zealand by exploring the influence of both Māori language and culture.

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Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_