



Year 11 MAGS Certificate of Educational Achievement (MCEA)



ACADEMIC PROGRESSION AT MOUNT ALBERT GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Y9 Certificate ⇨ **Y10 Diploma & NCEA Num/Lit** ⇨ **Y11 MCEA Certificate** ⇨ **Y12 NCEA Level 2** ⇨ **Y13 NCEA Level 3, University Entrance & Scholarship**

What is the MCEA? MCEA stands for MAGS Certificate of Educational Achievement. This is the first key year of working towards a qualification in the NZQA Framework. In Year 10 students had the opportunity to gain credits in the NCEA co-requisite Numeracy & Literacy assessments (these can be re-attempted in Year 11-13). In Year 11 all students take at least 2 subjects from the compulsory subjects column below & they have already chosen their 3 from the optional subjects.

Compulsory Subjects (Maths, English & Science)	Optional Subjects (Students chose 3 in T3)	Assessment & Coursework	Grading & Prerequisites
<p>11 Maths: 11MA1 - Mathematics 1 11MA2 - Mathematics 2 11MN3 - Maths Numeracy</p> <p>11 English: 11EN1 - English 11EN2 - English with literacy 11ENE - English Enriched 11EL3 - English Lang. (ESOL)</p> <p>One science is <u>STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</u></p> <p>Year 11 Sciences: 11SI1 - General Science 11AG1 - Agriculture 11SD1 - Science Double</p> <div data-bbox="69 1161 416 1497" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p align="center">GLOSSARY</p> <p>NCEA: National Certificate of Educational Achievement.</p> <p>MCEA: MAGS Certificate of Educational Achievement.</p> <p>NZQA: Stands for New Zealand Qualifications Authority - who manage national assessments & marking &/or moderation of NCEA assessments.</p> </div>	<p>More Sciences: see column 1</p> <p>11AC1 - Accounting 11BC4 - Building Carpentry 11BU1 - Business Studies 11CH1 - Chinese 11DN1 - Dance 11DNA - Dance Accelerate 11DR1 - Drama 11DRA - Drama Accelerate 11DT1 - Digital technology 11EC1 - Economics 11FH4 - Food & Hospitality 11FR1 - French 11GE1 - Geography 11GM1 - German 11HE1 - Health Science 11HI1 - History 11JP1 - Japanese 11LF4 - Learning for Futures 11MD1 - Media Studies 11MU1 - Music 11OE1 - Outdoor Education 11PH1 - Photography and Design 11PN1 - Painting 11PE1 - Physical Education 1 11SS3 - Social Studies 11HA1 - Te Ao Haka 11RM1 - Te Reo Māori 11TP1 - Tech Product Design 11VC1 - Design and Visual Comm</p> <p align="right"><i>Updated 28/1/26</i></p>	<p align="center">A Knowledge and Content Focus.</p> <p>A key aim of the Year 11 course is to build a solid foundation of content knowledge required for success at NCEA Level 2 in 2027. All subjects have ongoing assessments across the year. All assessments are rigorous & will test a full range of the knowledge & skills required to do well in each subject.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each subject/course is worth 20 credits (across 6 subjects students will be enrolled in 120 credits.) • Of these 20 credits, each subject will offer at least 5 'NCEA' Level 1 credits, & the remaining are MAGS MCEA credits or additional NCEA credits. • Each student has the opportunity to attain at least 30 NCEA Level 1 credits over the year that will be recorded on their Record of Achievement with NZQA. • The NCEA credits for each subject may be internals or externals. • The Term 3 MAGS school exams will be an opportunity to practice for the Term 4 external NCEA exams. They can also be used as evidence for derived grades for the NCEA externals. • The Term 3 exams will also be the prerequisite exams for MAGS Y12/Level 2 course selection requirements <p>CALENDAR: Study leave will be granted for the external NCEA Term 4 exams.</p>	<p>For each assessment students are graded: <i>Most assessments are worth 5 credits</i></p> <p>E: Excellence M: Merit A: Achieved N: Not Achieved (No credits)</p> <div data-bbox="1576 724 2123 1235" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p align="center">GAINING MCEA</p> <p align="center">MCEA Certificate with 'Achieved' Need 60+ Credits to pass MCEA AND a further 20 co-requisite credits towards Literacy (10 credits) and Numeracy (10 credits) <i>This criteria mirrors what is required to gain NCEA Level 1</i></p> <p align="center">CERTIFICATE ENDORSEMENTS</p> <p align="center">MCEA Certificate with 'Excellence' 50+ Credits at Excellence</p> <p align="center">MCEA Certificate with 'Merit' 50+ Credits at Merit/Excellence</p> <p align="center"><i>All 3 endorsements must have gained Literacy & Numeracy requirements.</i></p> </div> <p>Policies & Rules: All resubmission, plagiarism & assessment policies follow the current Level 1-3 NCEA practices. Information is provided by the Principal's Nominee.</p> <p>Prerequisites: For entry into Level 2 courses are found in MAGS' Schoolpoint website. Students will select Year 12 courses in Term 3 of 2026.</p>

