

[date]

Dear Parents,

Your son/daughter has expressed an interest in taking Enterprise Education as a unit in term 1 next year.

Below is a brief overview of the unit and a parental consent form to be returned to the school by [date] if you want your son/daughter to be included in the group of 8 students taking Enterprise Education in 2002. When the permission note is received a variation will be made to your son's subjects as planned for next year.

This unit is not available at any other time to Yr 10 students.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter at this very busy time of the year and please call me if you have any concerns.

Enterprise Education teacher

The Enterprise Education Unit

This is a program designed by Noosa District State High School to assist students to achieve improved academic, social and personal outcomes.

What is Enterprise Education?

In the Year 10 Enterprise Education unit the activities are flexible to cater for the needs of the students within the group but will include for each student:

- i) 1 day at the Eumundi Market and 1 day at the Cooroy Markets
- ii) 3 day Wilderness Trek on [date]
- iii) School based skill development

Involvement in the enterprise education unit is voluntary but once agreeing to participate all students must attend all activities.

Who is involved

Eight, year 10 students

[name] from [organisation] support for the students during the day at the markets.

Staff from [organisation] for the Wilderness Trek

Aims of Enterprise Education Unit

The Unit will attempt to cater for the needs of individual students within the group to assist in developing skills in literacy and numeracy, communication skills, problem solving skills, time management and organizational skill etc. There will be an emphasis on students working together to make decisions and carry them out in a supportive school and community environment. We aim to help students learn skills that will help them to be achieving and happy in school and in life.

1. What is the school based skills component?

The skills above will be addressed throughout the unit as well as other aspects which could include.

- Confidence
- Effort and persistence (motivation)
- Happenings, thoughts, feelings and behaviours
- Self-acceptance/self esteem
- Goal setting
- Making friends
- Handling conflict

Students will receive a certificate outlining the content of the course they have completed.

Students will receive an official school reference at the end of the unit based on the student's participation and efforts in the Year 10 Enterprise Education Unit.

2. What is Market Component?

This is a partnership with Noosa Youth Service through Enterprise Education Project funded by other government departments.

Students from the group will spend the day from 7.30am to approximately 1.30pm at the [name of market] Market with [name] from [organization]. [name] will provide supervision and support for the students in setting up a stall and selling products.

The aim is to show students how the skills they are learning at school have a real-life application in a work experience type situation.

Students will be responsible for getting products ready for sale, setting up the stall, stock and money control, budgeting, promotion of their stall and their school.

Some of the activities to prepare for the day at the Markets may involve leaving the school grounds. This will be done with teacher supervision and students will not miss other lessons. Students will receive a certificate outlining the skills they have displayed as a part of the Enterprise Education Unit.

3. What is the Wilderness Trek?

The 3 day Wilderness Trek is run by the Sunday Creek Environmental Education Centre which is a Department of Education facility. **The trek costs \$50** and all equipment and food is supplied. The aims of the trek include to assist students in facing challenges, setting goals and working as a member of the team.

Students will receive a certificate at the completion of the trek.

Specific details of the trek will be given closer to the date.

Parental Consent Form

Please discuss this Unit with your student and fill in the consent form attached and return it to [name] by [date].

Places are limited to 8 students for the term.

Year 10 Enterprise Education Unit Parental Consent Form

I/We _____ consent to our son/daughter _____ of roll group _____ participating in the Year 10 Enterprise Education Unit during [date].

I/We understand this programme includes:

- 1 full day at the [name of market]
- a 3 day Wilderness Trek costing \$50.00
- trips away from the school
- travel and supervision provided by staff of the [organization name]
- travel may also involve the personal vehicle of staff of [school]

Signature of parent/guardian

Date