

HARVEY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

A PRACTICAL EDUCATION FOR
YEAR 11 & 12 STUDENTS

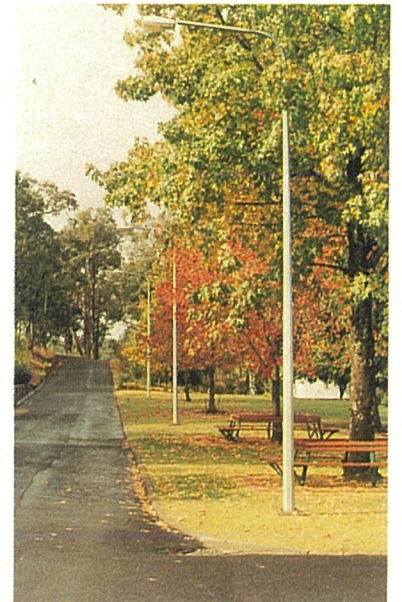




The Harvey Agricultural Campus has provided quality agricultural education for residential students since 1953.

Situated 140 kms south of Perth on the Darling Scarp, the school is in the heart of the south west farming region.

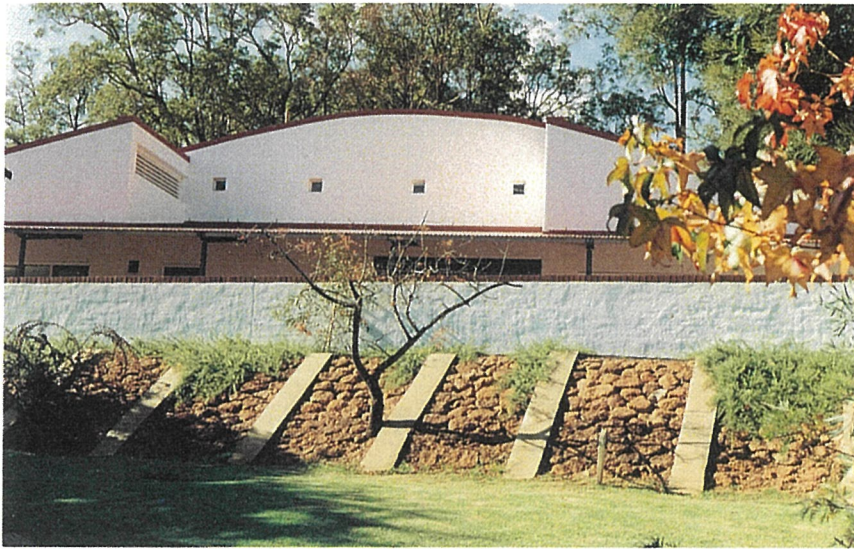
It is set in beautiful surroundings on the banks of the Harvey River and has modern dormitory accommodation for up to 60 male/female students.



The farm comprises prime irrigation and hills country.

Beef and dairy cattle, sheep, pigs and poultry are all run on the farm.

Varieties of fruits, vegetables and high quality table grapes are also grown.



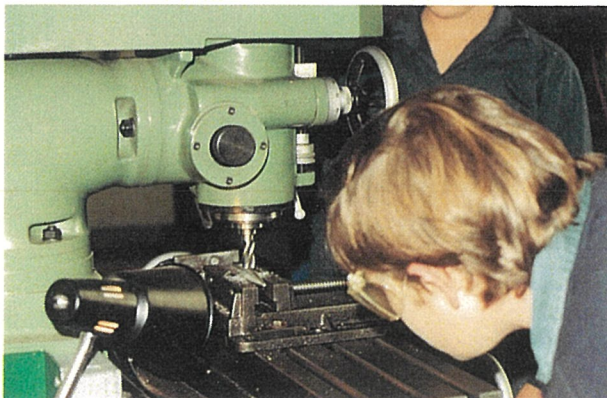
COURSES

The school provides a mix of practical and theoretical training for students who intend to seek employment in the Agricultural or allied industries.

CERTIFICATE OF AGRICULTURE

All students passing this course receive:

Certificate of Secondary Education
High School Graduation
MOE Certificate of Agriculture
TAFE Cert. of Agriculture
Equivalence Western Australian
Certificate of Education



COURSE SUBJECTS

Senior English
Mathematics in Practice
Crops and Pastures
Farm Economics
Animal Husbandry
Farm Vehicles
Metal Constructions
Farm Practice
Furniture Woodwork



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Farm Fax 08 97 291 653

Dear Parents

Thank you for your enquiry. Please find enclosed our Prospectus, Application Form and other information.

We have facilities for approximately 50 male students and 17 female students as boarders. Students are admitted to the Agricultural College after they have successfully completed Year 10.

Students who complete the two year course and achieve the required grades or levels of competence receive the

- ◆ West Australian Certificate of Education
- ◆ Accreditation of National Training Modules in Metals and Rural Skills
- ◆ Harvey Agricultural College Graduation Certificate
- ◆ Certificate II in Agriculture from the Rural Training Package

Harvey is very accessible for students from most areas. Leave Weekends at home represent few problems with both bus and rail services available.

The School is in a beautiful situation on the banks of the Harvey River with the Darling Scarp rising behind it. The buildings are a pleasing Mediterranean style. The farm has both irrigation and hills country and has diverse forms of agriculture such as the Friesian Dairy Herd, Beef Cattle, Merino and British Breeds of Sheep, Intensive Piggery, Poultry, Vegetable Gardens, Aquaculture, Horticulture, Viticulture and Citrus Orchards.

SUBJECTS

Vocational English	Management and Marketing
Animal Production & Marketing	Automotive Workshop
Plant Production & Marketing	Sport
Farm Practice	Building Construction incorporating
Maths in Practice Part A Yr 11	Wood, Metal & Buildings
Part B Yr 12	

Students who apply for this course DO NOT have to come from a farm. On completion of the course, students from this college can continue their studies at Curtin University's Muresk Annexe.

SIDE - The College has 12 places available for study at the School of Isolated & Distance Education. Negotiations can take place on enrolment.

APPLICATIONS

Application for entry to the College may be made on the enclosed form which should be forwarded to The Harvey Agricultural College, PO Box 496, HARVEY WA 6220. **Kindly return the application form as soon as possible.** Acknowledgment will be posted and contact made regarding interview procedures and dates.

Students and parents need to know that a confidential report about suitability of residential status will be obtained from your child's current school. A copy of your child's Semester One report will also be required from the current school. The College also requires 2 passport size photos at interview which are later used for concession cards.

If at any time you would like to look over the Agricultural College and Farm, please phone and we will be happy to arrange an appointment.

Enquiries are welcome and additional information may be obtained by phoning the Principal, Agricultural College or the Registrar, Mrs Angel on 08 97 291 302.

FEES

At present the State Government charges boarding fees of \$5900 per year.

YEAR 11

INTERNAL FEES (Current prices and are subject to change)

	Residential	Subject Fee	Consumables
Amenities Fees (Student newspapers, videos etc)	40.00		
Physical Education Fees		20.00	
Excursion Fee - Residential (fuel & entry)	60.00		
Automotive Workshop Text Book & Subject Fee		5.00	20.00
Building Construction Text Book & Subject Fee		5.00	20.00
Automotive Workshop Materials			40.00
Metalwork Materials (does not include major models)			30.00
Woodwork Materials (does not include major models)			25.00
Workshop Safety Glasses			6.00
Workshop Ear Protectors			27.00
5 Metre Tape			11.00
Animal Production & Marketing Text Books & Subject Fee		20.00	32.00
Crops & Pastures Text Books & Subject Fee		20.00	24.00
Management & Marketing Text Books & Subject Fee		20.00	34.00
Vocational English Text Books & Subject Fee		10.00	22.00
Maths Text Books & Subject Fee		5.00	15.00
Structured Work Based Learning		5.00	
Record Book - Cert II in Agriculture Competency			7.00
Computers - General Software			10.00
Computers - Replacement/Hire		20.00	
Stationery (Files, pens, paper, journals etc)			61.00
Photocopying (Admin)			10.00
Compulsory First Aid Course		55.00	
Orientation Camp	30.00		
School Magazine	10.00		
PCYC Fee (Optional)	5.00		
	145.00	185.00	394.00
TOTAL \$724.00			

Year 10 Calculator - required for Maths (can be purchased through school)

Bond (Refundable at the end of Year 12) - \$200.00 already paid as deposit.

YEAR 12

INTERNAL FEES: (Current prices and are subject to change).

	Residential	Subject Fee	Consumable
Amenities Fee (Student newspapers, videos etc)	40.00		
Physical Education Fee		20.00	
Excursion Fee - Residential (fuel & entry)	60.00		
Automotive Workshop Text Book & Subject Fee		5.00	30.00
Building Construction Subject Fee		25.00	
Mechanical Workshop Materials			40.00
Metalwork Materials (does not include major models)			30.00
Woodwork Materials (does not include major models)			25.00
Animal Production & Marketing Text Books & Subject Fee		20.00	30.00
Crops & Pastures Text Books & Subject Fee		20.00	29.00
Management & Marketing Text Books & Subject Fee		20.00	40.00
Vocational English Text Books & Subject Fee (inc Theatre Excur)		33.00	23.00
Structured Work Base Learning		5.00	
Record Book - Cert II in Agriculture Competency			7.00
Year 12 Excursion (Farm to Plate)		30.00	
Computers - General Software			10.00
Computers - Replacement/Hire		20.00	
Stationery (Files, pens, paper, journals etc)			55.00
Photocopying (Admin)			10.00
Year 12 Group Photo	10.00		
School Magazine & Postage	12.00		
PCYC (Optional)	5.00		
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	127.00	198.00	329.00

TOTAL \$654.00



APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

APPLICATION FOR THE COURSE FOR THE YEAR 20____
(To be forwarded to the College immediately on completion)

Students will be selected on the basis of an interview, previous school reports and performance at a try-out. Successful applicants will be notified as soon as possible after the selection process.

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

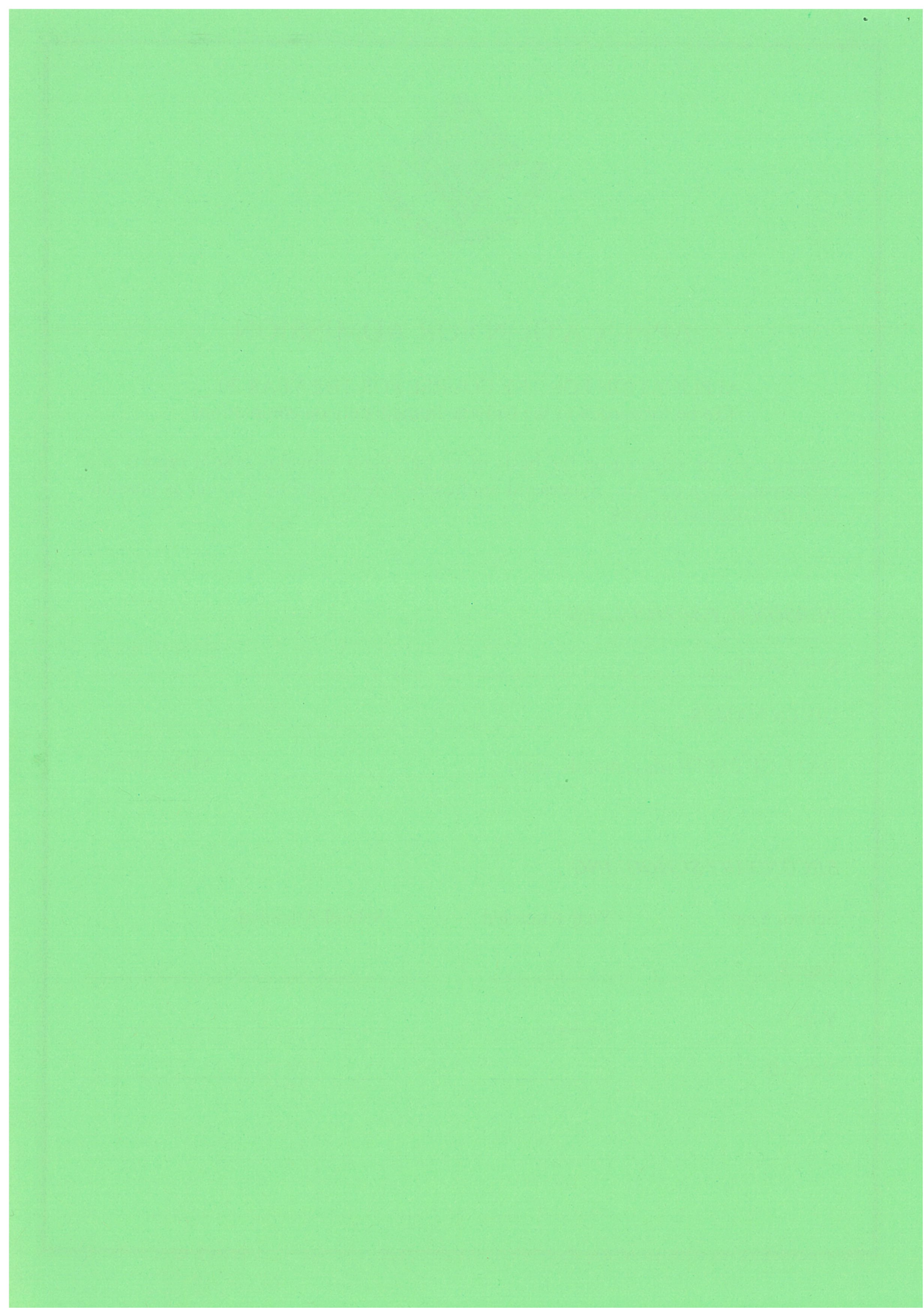
SURNAME _____

GIVEN NAMES _____

DATE OF BIRTH (day, month, year) _____ Male / Female

SECONDARY SCHOOLING

School Year	Year Attended	School Attended
Year 8	_____	_____
Year 9	_____	_____
Year 10	_____	_____



PLANS ON COMPLETION OF AGRICULTURAL COURSE

- Returning to family farm
- Work on farm
- Further study
- Apprenticeship

Other (Give details)

WHAT WOULD YOU GAIN FROM STUDYING AT HARVEY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

PARTICULARS OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

NAME _____

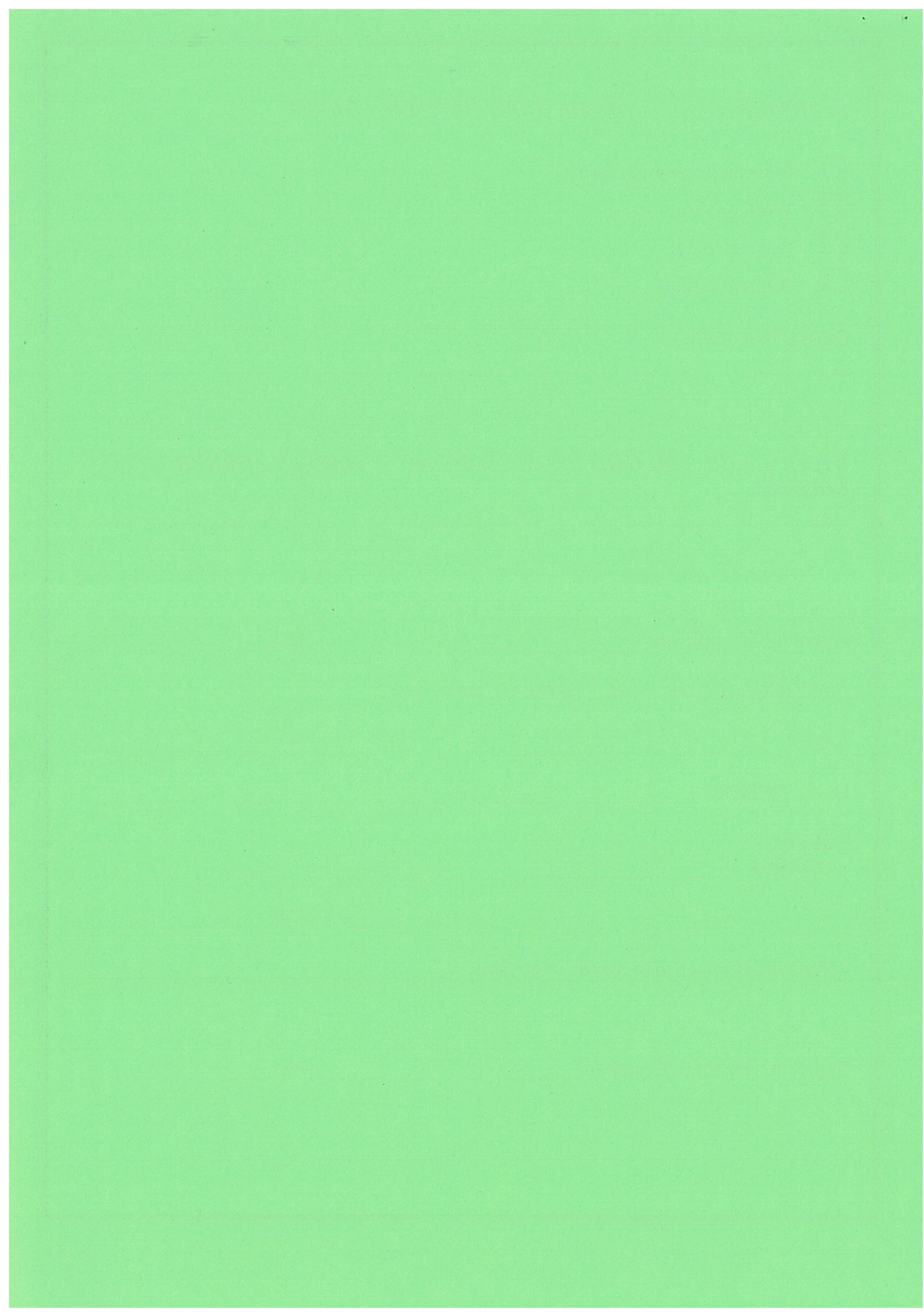
OCCUPATION _____

POSTAL ADDRESS _____

_____ P/CODE _____

Telephone Number(s) or means of contact _____

Signature (Parent or Guardian) _____ Date _____



LEISURE ACTIVITIES/HOBBIES ETC.

Leisure activities are an important part of residential life. The College runs many activities such as trips away, sporting functions etc.

Residential Supervisors assist in organising activities to suit student needs.

Please tick the areas which interest you.

SPORTING

Football	Softball	Abseiling	Hockey
Cycling	Rockclimbing	Golf	Tennis
Cricket	Speedway	Archery	Table Tennis
Netball	Pistol Club	Basketball	Cross Country
Fishing	Squash	Clay Target	Swimming
Motor Bikes	Badminton	Shooting	Triathlons
Canoeing	Volleyball	Athletics	Ballroom dancing

Sport not listed _____

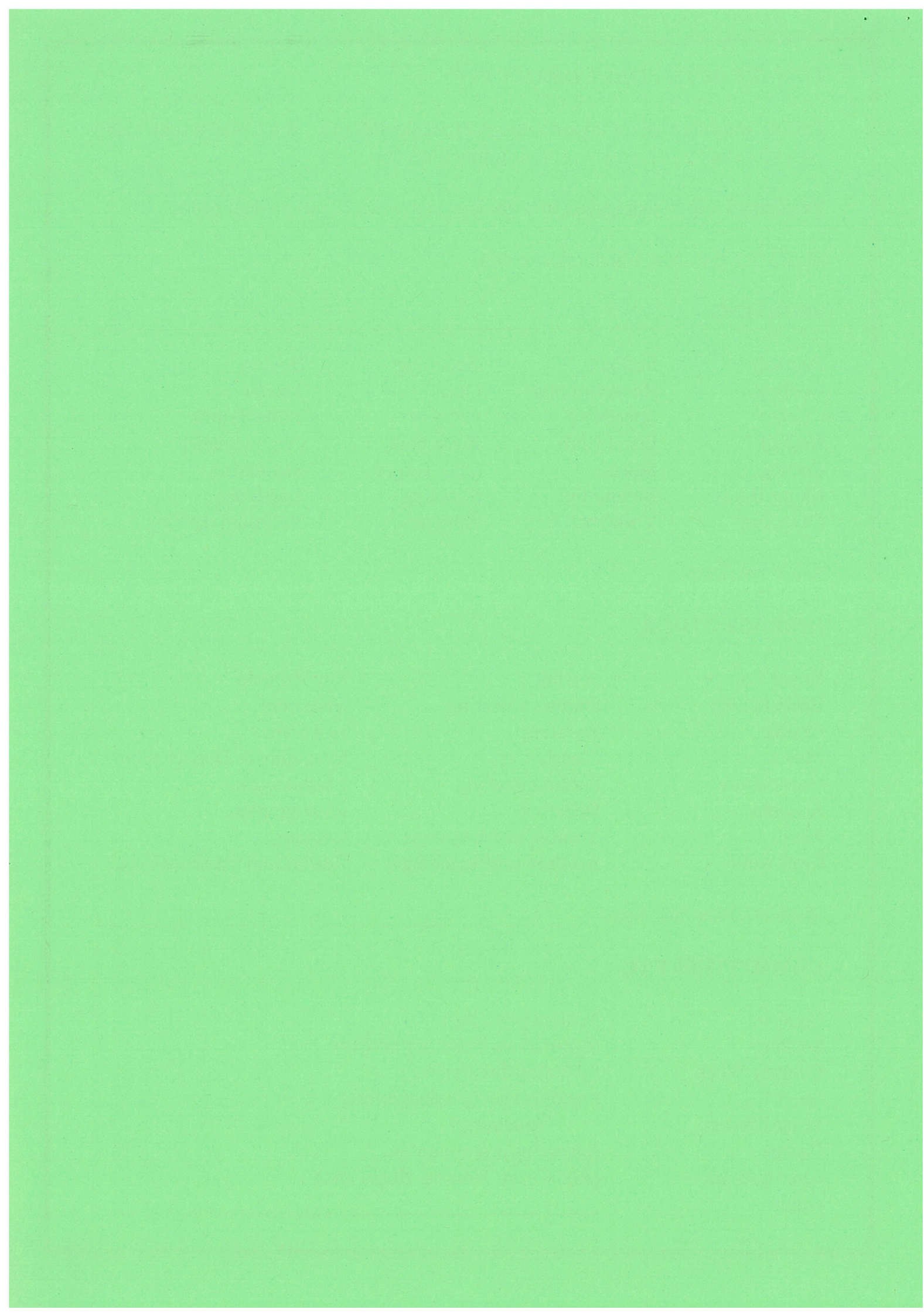
HOBBIES/OTHER

Board Games	Sewing	Fire Brigade
Birds/Poultry	Stamp Collecting	Venturers
Drama	Scouting	Led Steer
Music	Classic Cars	Grooming & Department
Horticulture	Public Speaking	Leatherwork
Reading	Debating	Photography
Puzzles	Youth/Church Groups	Cooking
Craft work	Art/drawing/sketching	Restoration (machines etc.)

Hobbies/Other not listed _____

COMMITTEES ETC.

Canteen	(rosters/planning)
Socials	(decorations/ticketing/invites)
Country Week	(planning/fundraising)
Sport	(water/property/manager/ess)
Litter Drives	(planning)
Camps	(planning/promotion/etc.)
Charity Work	(Red Cross, Nursing Home etc.)
Other	_____



LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HELD (eg. School Prefect, Sporting Captain)

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?

Please indicate below how you became aware of the course offered by this College.

Newspaper Advertisement

Personal recommendation/relatives

Rural promotion (Elders Weekly/Countryman etc.)

Woolorama

School Guidance Officer

T.V. Bulletin

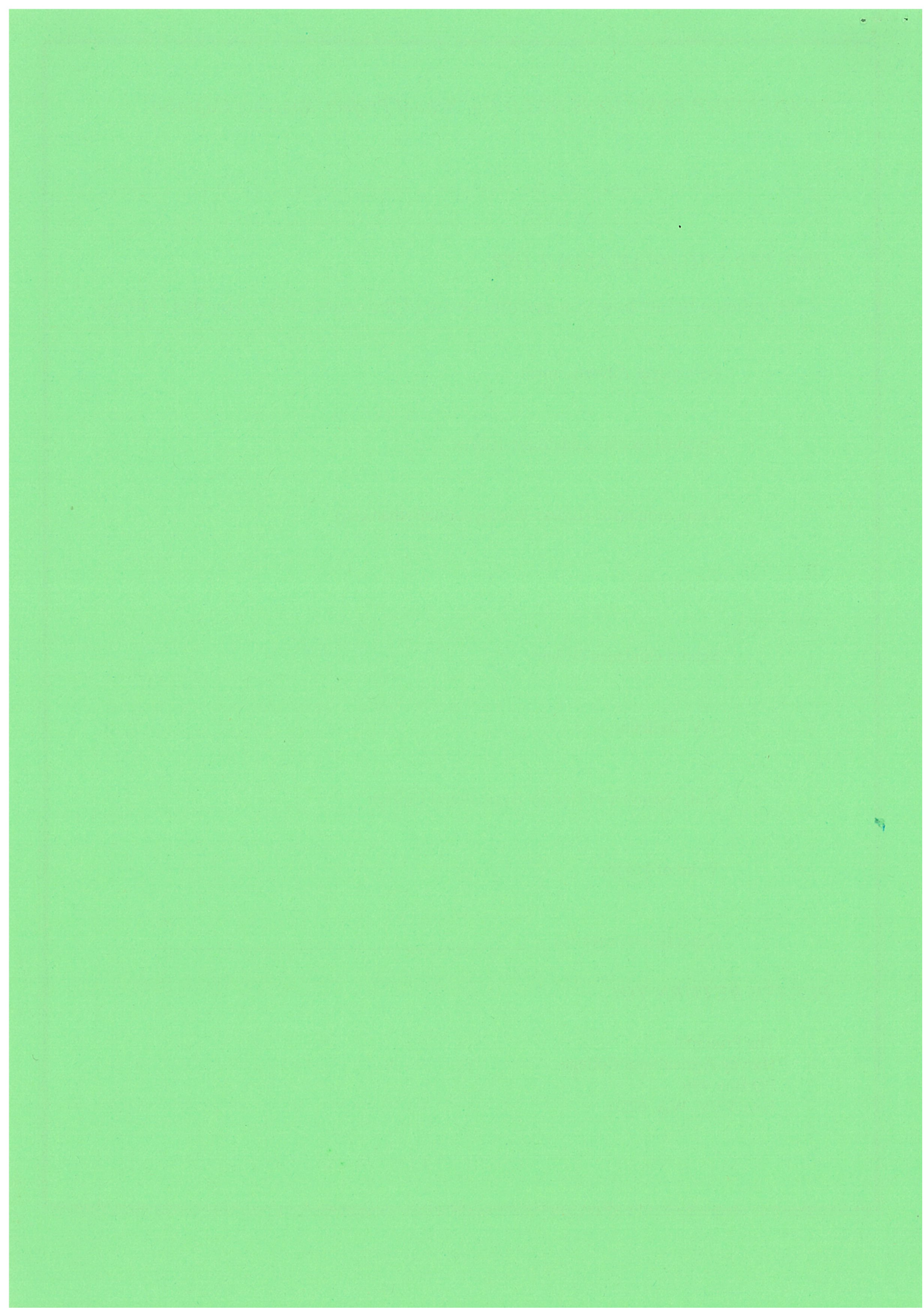
Staff Member of Harvey Agricultural College

Word of Mouth

Other (please specify) _____

PLEASE RETURN TO:

The Principal
Harvey Agricultural College
PO Box 496
HARVEY WA 6220



THE FARM SECTION

DAIRY HERD

The farm runs a herd of about 35 Stud Holstein - Friesian milkers. Full production records in conjunction with computer controlled supplementary feeding are maintained. All females are artificially inseminated.

BEEF HERD

The beef herd consists of 40 breeders. Hereford X Friesian and Angus X Friesian cows are artificially inseminated to either Limousin, Simmental, Hereford or Angus. Some beasts are finished in a lot feeder.

PIGS

The breeding herd consists of 8 sows. Progeny are used for rations with surplus sold.

SHEEP

The school has flocks of Merino, Romney and Romney X Merino of approximately 850 in total. The ewes are mated to Merino, Poll Dorset and Romney rams. The various breeds are compared in wool and prime lamb production and also provide the students with shearing and wool classing experience.

VITICULTURE

The 350 vines are fully enclosed in bird netting. Students are taught all aspects of vine management including pruning, budding and grafting of the high quality table grapes which include Flame Seedless and Red Globe. These facilities are also used for courses in Viticulture conducted by TAFE.

ORCHARD

Various Citrus varieties are maintained under the sod culture principle. Mandarin varieties include Imperial, Ellendale and Kara. Orange varieties are mainly the Lanes Late Navels and Valencia.

ABATTOIR

In the abattoir butchering section students are involved in the slaughtering of pigs, sheep and cattle. They gain experience in producing a variety of meat cuts and also the processes involved in the production of bacon, ham, sausages and corned meat.

POULTRY

The poultry unit contains Altona Highline Tints which are reared from day old chicks. The birds are housed in cages and production is recorded.

CROPPING

A number of forage crops are grown for silage and hay. Approximately 6 hectares of Benger Swamp is sown to Sudax.

Pumpkins

Butternut and Jarrahdale Pumpkins are grown which fulfills all our school requirements with surplus either supplied to other Residential Agricultural Colleges or sold through the markets.

AQUACULTURE

At present we have 50 marron in our aquaculture trial area and also run various trials with trout.

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial statements. This includes not only sales and purchases but also expenses and income. The document also highlights the need for regular reconciliation of bank statements and the company's records to identify any discrepancies early on.

In addition, the document provides a detailed breakdown of the accounting cycle, from identifying the accounting entity to preparing financial statements. It explains how each step contributes to the overall accuracy and reliability of the financial data. The document also includes a section on the classification of assets and liabilities, providing examples and explaining the underlying principles.

The second part of the document focuses on the practical application of these principles. It includes a series of exercises designed to help students understand how to record and classify transactions. These exercises cover a wide range of scenarios, from simple sales and purchases to more complex transactions involving multiple parties and different types of assets and liabilities. The document also provides a step-by-step guide to preparing a balance sheet and an income statement, showing how the data from the accounting cycle is used to create these financial statements.

Finally, the document concludes with a summary of the key points discussed throughout the document. It reiterates the importance of accuracy and consistency in accounting and provides a final reminder to always double-check the work to ensure that all transactions are properly recorded and classified.

HARVEY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

COURSE OFFERING

CERTIFICATE OF AGRICULTURE
(Non TEE Course)

ALL STUDENTS PASSING THIS COURSE RECEIVE:

*Western Australian Certificate of Education
Harvey Agricultural College Graduation Certificate
Accreditation of National Training Modules in Metals and Rural Skills
Certificate II in Agriculture from the Rural Training Package*

COURSE COMPONENTS

YEAR 11:	Vocational English Mathematics in Practice Plant Production & Marketing Management & Marketing Animal Production & Marketing Automotive Workshop Buildings & Constructions Farm Practice Structured Work Based Learning (Introduction)
YEAR 12:	Vocational English Mathematics in Practice Plant Production & Marketing Management & Marketing Animal Production & Marketing Automotive Workshop Buildings & Constructions Farm Practice Structured Work Based Learning (Agriculture & Pastoral)

1999
ALLOWANCES FOR STUDENTS AT
RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES



Financial Assistance

Assistance for Isolated Children Scheme

If your child is geographically isolated, ie

- i) living *at least* 56 kms from nearest appropriate Government school, (including via the available transport service) or
- ii) living at least 16 km from the nearest Government school *and* at least 4.5 km from the school bus, or
- iii) travelling time to and from school is over 3 hours daily, or at least 1.5 hours each way.

or is required to board away from home due to other special circumstances the Assistance for Isolated Children's Allowance may be payable.

The **\$2,900 per year non-means tested** Assistance for Isolated Children's allowance (AIC) is paid at the beginning of each term - 4 payments of \$725 (February, May, July, October).

Additional financial assistance can be claimed subject to an **income test**). The maximum Assistance for Isolated Children's allowance payable is **\$4222 per year** for secondary students up to Year 12 and TAFE students under 16 (4 payments of \$1055.50 per term) and **\$3844** (\$961 per term) for primary students.

If you have received this allowance during 1998, you should have received a 1999 application form by now.

If you are intending to apply for the AIC allowance for the first time, forms and information booklets are available

by phoning 132318

or from

Cannington Student Service Centre
PO Box 215, Cannington WA 6987,

Youth Allowance

In general, students aged 16 and over should apply for **Youth Allowance** if they would receive more than \$2,900 p.a. AIC Basic Boarding Allowance

Eligibility for the Away From Rate of Youth Allowance for isolated secondary students is the same as that for AIC ie geographic isolation, remedial tuition etc.

Youth Allowance Rates	Maximum Standard Rate (age 16-17)	\$3791. p.a.
	Maximum Away from Home Rate (all ages)	\$6922p.a.
	Maximum Standard Rate (age 18+)	\$4559.89 p.a.

Further information regarding the Youth Allowance can be obtained by contacting your nearest Centrelink office or phoning **13 24 90**.

Rent Assistance may also be payable. The maximum rate is \$74.80 p.f.

ABSTUDY

Abstudy offers financial assistance for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders students. Living allowances and assistance with boarding, tuition and travel costs are available to eligible students.

For more information contact ABSTUDY on **13 23 17**.

State Living Away From Home Allowance

All recipients of an AIC Boarding or Second Home Allowance or Youth Allowance at the Away From Home Rate are eligible for the State Living Away from Home Allowance of \$600.00 per year which is paid by the Department of Education Services.

Forms for this allowance will be sent to AIC applicants with their letter of entitlement. However, AIC applicants who do not receive this application form should ring **13 23 18** to obtain one or apply to the Department of Education Services, PO Box 6850, Cloisters Square, Perth WA 6850 quoting the application number from their Centrelink assessment letter. **Isolated Youth Allowance applicants must apply directly to the Department of Education Services.**

If your student is at an Agricultural school and *not* eligible for AIC or Youth Allowance at the Away From Home Rate you may be eligible for a \$1,000 allowance from the Education Department. **Contact the school for details of this allowance.**

Cost Summary for Secondary Students - 1999

1. Where the annual boarding charge for families who receive no financial assistance is \$5900, **the weekly cost is \$147.50** based on a 40 week school year.
2. Where the boarding charge is \$5900 pa, families receiving the basic Assistance for Isolated Children boarding allowance of \$2900.00 plus the State Government Living Away from Home Allowance of \$600.00, the actual boarding cost to the parent is \$2,400 or **\$60 per week** for the school year.
3. Where the boarding charge is \$5900, families receiving the maximum Assistance for Isolated Children allowance of \$4222 and the State Living Away from Home Allowance of \$600.00, the annual cost to the parent is \$1078 or **\$26.95per week** .
4. For families receiving maximum Youth Allowance at the Away From Home Rate (\$6922) their allowance **exceeds** both the annual boarding charges and Rent Assistance may also be payable.

DEADLINES

- To claim your full year's AIC, forms must be received by Centrelink/Cannington Student Service Centre no later than **31 March** of each year. **Youth Allowance applications must be lodged with Centrelink within 14 days of the course/school commencement date.** However if a student is applying for Youth Allowance from his/her 16th birthday or they have had a change in circumstances which now makes them eligible (eg death or separation of parent(s), they have 14 days from that date to apply and be paid from their birthday/change in circumstances. Applications received after the closing date will only be paid from the date the application is received.
- It is wise to attach an explanation of the reason for late lodgement, as there are circumstances where AIC applications can be backdated.
- **NB Applications received after 31 December will not attract any allowance. ie a '99 application received after 31/12/99.**
- A tip for first time parents applying for Assistance for Isolated Children - collect 2 forms and keep one as a reference just in case Centrelink have a query or you feel your application has been incorrectly assessed.

The Minister for Education has approved the following level of assistance for 1999 for the Secondary Assistance Scheme comprising:

Charges Allowance:	Years 8, 9, 10	\$180
	Year 11	\$215
	Year 12 (conditions apply)	\$160*
Clothing Allowance (all eligible years)		\$115
Likewise the Abstudy Fees Allowance Supplement remains at:		
	Years 8, 9, 10	\$30
	Year 11	\$65
	Year 12	\$10*

* Only for those Year 12 students who **turn 16 in 1999**, since the other Year 12 students are deemed to be eligible for the Youth Allowance.

Eligibility remains the same as in 1998 viz:

Parents or legal guardians **must hold** one of the following cards from Centrelink:

- Pensioner Concession Card
- Health Care Card ******(Family card only)
****** A Family Card only, **not** for a specific child for medication purposes e.g. "CDA" (Child Disability Allowance) card.
- Or a Pensioner Concession Card from the Department of Veterans' Affairs

and have children:-

1. Whose birth date is on or after 1 January 1983. Students who turn 17 in 1999 are deemed to be eligible for the Youth Allowance and are therefore ineligible for the Secondary Assistance Scheme which is designed for the lower school;
2. Who are enrolled in Years 8 to 11, **plus** those in Year 12 who turn 16 in 1999;
3. Who are doing a full time secondary education course.

Claimants must hold one of the above cards current from 1 February 1999 **OR** be the recipients of new cards at any time between the first day of term, 1 February and 31 March 1999 to be eligible to receive the allowance. Applications will cease on **31 March 1999**.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

In Agriculture

Farm Contractor
Farmer
Farm Assistant/Station Hand
Jackeroo
Jillaroo
Agricultural Chemical Representative
Machinery Sales Representative
Farm/Station Manager
Shearer
Woolclasser
Stock Agent
Shearing Shed Hand
Fencing Contractor
Poultryman
Piggery Attendant

Or An Apprenticeship In

Welding
Fitting & Turning
Cabinet Making
Mechanics
Boilermaking
Butchering
Carpentry

Or Further Study At

MURESK INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE OR A TAFE COLLEGE

Agri-Business Personnel
Veterinary Nurse
Agricultural Teacher
Agricultural Adviser/Consultant
Horticulturalist
Conservation & Land Management Ranger
Agricultural Protection Board Officer
Department of Agriculture Field Technician

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In the second section, the author provides a detailed breakdown of the company's revenue streams. This includes sales from various product lines and services. The analysis shows that while one product line is currently the primary source of income, diversification into new markets is essential for long-term growth.

The third section addresses the company's financial health and liquidity. It highlights the need for a robust cash flow management strategy to ensure that all operational needs are met. The author suggests implementing regular financial reviews to identify potential risks and opportunities early on.

Finally, the document concludes with recommendations for future strategic planning. It suggests investing in research and development to stay ahead of market trends and to explore new business models. The author also stresses the importance of maintaining strong relationships with key stakeholders, including suppliers and customers.

ENTRY TO MURESK

For students contemplating entering the Muresk branch of Curtin University after graduating from Harvey Agricultural Campus, the entry requirements are as follows.

1. To enter the Bachelor of Agriculture or Horticulture

The students need at least 4 A's and no grades lower than a B in Year 11 and 12 for:

Crops & Pastures
Senior English
Management & Marketing
Animal Husbandry

2. To enter the Associate Degree Courses

The students must have grades of at least 4 B's and nothing below a C in both Year 11 and Year 12 for the same four subjects.

3. Mathematics Bridging Course (013)

A Mathematics Bridging Course is mandatory to students who have not successfully completed Discrete Mathematics or a higher level maths unit at upper school.



MURESK BRIDGING COURSE

Muresk Institute of Agriculture offers a Bridging Course to give otherwise unqualified applicants a chance to gain entry to Muresk undergraduate programs. Selection into the Course is by interview which is held in early January.

The course is particularly designed for those who have not taken the Tertiary Entrance Examinations (TEE) or who have not achieved an appropriate Tertiary Entrance Score (TES) for direct entry.

The course involves eight to twelve months of full time work on a commercial farming, horticultural, viticultural or pastoral property. This work can be done either in Australia or overseas. If you do not have a property to go to, the staff at Muresk will assist you to find a work placement.

Course Units

The Bridging Course consists of four subjects. Part of this study is done during the residential seminars and part is done by correspondence.

1. Farm Practice 013: involves keeping a daily dairy and submission of brief monthly summaries and three major written reports, relating to the property you are working on.
2. Agribusiness Computing 013: is held at Muresk during the first two seminars. The important elements of hardware and the major classes of software - word processing, database and spread sheet programs - are covered. Although beneficial, it is not necessary to have your own computer.
3. Agribusiness Mathematics 013: covers elements of mathematics needed for the successful completion of the various Muresk undergraduate courses.
4. Agribusiness Communications 013: principally covers written expression and satisfies Curtin's literacy requirements for entry.

Compulsory Seminars

There are three compulsory seminars during the year. These seminars are held on the Muresk campus and a charge is involved. These charges cover texts, meals and accommodation. There is no charge for tuition.

The first seminar starts in late January and runs for two weeks. This is where enrolment takes place, the four subjects are explained in more detail, various materials are handed out and jobs organised if you do not already have one. You will meet the other students in the course, tour the Muresk farm and meet some of the staff. In addition, there are tutorials in Maths, Communications and Computing.

The second seminar starts in mid July and also runs for two weeks. Material covered during the first half of the year is reviewed and you will also sit tests for Maths and Communications. There are further tutorials in Communications, Maths and Computing.

The final seminar of three days is in early October. This is when you do your final Maths and Communication exams.

What Will This Course Qualify Me For?

Once you successfully complete the Bridging Course (pass the four units and attend all three seminars) you qualify for entry into the following Muresk courses:

- Associate Degree in Agriculture
- Associate Degree in Viticulture
- Bachelor of Agriculture (Farm Management)
- Bachelor of Agriculture (Agribusiness Marketing)
- Bachelor of Horticulture (Horticultural Management).

Information

If you would like further information on the Muresk Bridging Course, please contact:

Ms Catherine Maughan (Course Co-ordinator)	(096) 90 1520 Tel (096) 90 1500 Fax
Ms Tricia Slee (Academic Officer)	(096) 90 1576 Tel (096) 90 1500 Fax

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CURTIN

University of Technology

Answers To Some of the Questions Asked About Muresk Institute of Agriculture

What Courses are Available?

<i>Undergraduate</i>	Associate Degree in Agriculture	CUMF
	Associate Degree in Viticulture	CUMV
	Bachelor of Agriculture	CUMA
	Bachelor of Science (Aquaculture)	CUHF
	Bachelor of Horticulture	CUMH
<i>Postgraduate</i>	Graduate Diploma in Agribusiness	
	Graduate Diploma in Landcare	
	Master of Rural Management	
	Master of Rural Technology	
	PhD	

What Jobs Do Muresk Graduates Get?

Because the Muresk courses are applied, combining business management with technology, the employment opportunities for Muresk graduates are excellent, incorporating a wide range of possible career paths. Graduates from the agriculture programs are sought for employment in such fields as:

rural finance	consulting (business and farm)
land care	import and export marketing
extension	research and project officers
teaching	rural media and promotions
farm management	Government departments eg the Australian
business management	Wheat Board, Department of Agriculture,
farm lobby organisations	Grain Pool, Australian Wool Corporation,
animal health	Agricultural Protection Board and the
commodity marketing	Department of Conservation and Land
	Management etc.



Bachelor of Horticulture graduates are employed in similar fields, but more specifically in the areas of:

- management of parks and gardens, recreation areas, national parks and revegetation projects
- export and import marketing of horticultural produce
- production horticulture - cut flowers, vegetables, fruit, viticulture, container plants
- landscaping

Viticulture graduates will find employment as vigneron, assistant managers or managers of vineyards, in the establishment and development of vineyards and small wineries, research and development and wine marketing in wholesale or retail sectors.

Graduates from the Bachelor of Science (Aquaculture and Seafood Technology) find employment in marine based tourist facilities, fish farms, marine and aquaculture research, seafood processing and seafood marketing.

What Entry Requirements are There?

Prospective students have five ways of gaining the matriculation status required to be eligible for enrolment in a Muresk course.

Tertiary Entrance Examinations (TEE) In 1996 the minimum Tertiary Entrance Score (TES) required by Curtin University for entry into the Bachelor of Agriculture or the Bachelor of Horticulture was 300, while the minimum TES for the Bachelor of Science (Aquaculture and Seafood Technology) was 347. The minimum TES for entry into an Associate Degree was 280. Entry scores vary from year to year.

All TEE students must do English or English Literature.

Students applying for the Aquaculture course must have passed Applicable or Discrete Maths and at least one science subject.

Applicants for all other Muresk courses are encouraged to do Discrete Maths or a higher level TEE maths. Students who have not studied and passed Discrete Maths or a higher level maths do Agribusiness Maths 013 during their first semester.

Horticulture and Viticulture applicants should consider doing two TEE science subjects. The following subjects are also a useful preparation for tertiary studies: Economics, Accounting, Geography, Biology, Chemistry, Geology and Physics.

Agricultural College Students can matriculate through superior performance in the Year 11 and 12 Certificate of Secondary Education. They need at least four A's and no grades lower than a B for entry into the Bachelor of Agriculture or Horticulture, or at least four B's and nothing lower than a C for Associate Degree courses. The following subjects must be studied: Crops and Pastures, Senior English, Animal Husbandry and Farm Economics.

TAFE Students who have successfully completed an Associate Diploma or Diploma course are eligible for entry into the undergraduate courses at Muresk. Holders of an Advanced Certificate must also demonstrate English competence.

Special Tertiary Admission Test [STAT] Mature age applicants can qualify by sitting the STAT, available through the Tertiary Institutions Service Centre (TISC). They must pass at least one section of the multiple choice test and pass the written essay test.

Muresk Bridging Course By successfully completing a combination of units, [Farm Practice, Computing, Maths and English] otherwise unqualified students can qualify for entry into a Muresk undergraduate program. Entry is competitive and all applicants for this one year course must arrange an interview with the Course Controller in December or early January.

How Do I Apply?

All undergraduate applications must be sent to the:

Tertiary Institutions Service Centre [TISC]
39 Fairway
NEDLANDS WA 6009

Telephone: [09] 347 8000

Application forms are available from TISC in August each year and should be submitted by the end of September to avoid a late fee.

Postgraduate applications should be made to the:

Academic Officer
Muresk Institute of Agriculture
Northam WA 6401

Can Advanced Standing be Given to Students?

Depending on the course studied, advanced standing may be granted within any Muresk course. For example, a person who holds an Associate Diploma in Agriculture from a recognised institution may be granted up to three semesters of advanced-standing in the Bachelor of Agriculture. Likewise, a person who has studied business units at another institution may be given credit for those subjects.

How Much Class Contact is There?



The number of lectures per week varies depending on what year the student is in and what units are being studied; however the average number of lecture contact hours is about 20 per week. Students should plan to spend at least an equal number of hours in private study. Some students aim to double this.

There are two semesters per year, each being approx. 15 weeks, with a mid-year break in June/July and a 10 week break over Christmas.



Do Students Need to Have Prior Farm Experience?

No. However students enrolling in the Associate Diploma in Agriculture must spend the first 12 months prior to full time study working on a commercial farm and undertaking correspondence study.

Students studying the Associate Degree in Viticulture, the Bachelor of Horticulture and the Bachelor of Agriculture must complete a Farm Practice unit during semester breaks.

This 'work experience' can be carried out on almost any rural enterprise, such as a vineyard, wheat/sheep farm, orchard, cattle station, dairy farm, horticultural enterprise and so on. Assistance is given to help students find appropriate jobs.

Where can I Buy My Textbooks?

Muresk campus has a bookshop where all required texts and stationery can be purchased. Students in the Horticulture, Aquaculture and Viticulture programs can purchase all their requirements at the bookshop on the Bentley campus.

Students on the Muresk campus can pay their Guild Fees, HECS [Higher Education Contribution Fees] and accommodation fees at the bookshop. Bentley based students need to go to the Accounts department in the main administration building to pay all their fees.

The cost of books varies from semester to semester depending on the units studied, however texts are likely to cost around \$200 per semester.



Where Can I Live?

Students based at the Bentley campus usually find private rentals if they are not living at home in the metropolitan area. University Housing Services can assist students to find University based or private accommodation.

On the Muresk campus there are three Halls of Residence which accommodate a total of 160 students in private study bedrooms.

First year students are given first option to the rooms in the Halls of Residence. It is highly recommended that first year students live in the Halls of Residence while they adjust to tertiary study.

Each Hall has shared bathroom facilities and a common room with television, video, refrigerator and tea/coffee making facilities. There is a laundry in one of the halls where students can use coin operated washing machines and driers.

The "Settlement" is comprised of 4 self contained units, each unit accommodating 5 or 6 students in private study bedrooms. The kitchen, lounge room and bathroom are shared with the other occupants. The "Settlement" accommodation is available for post graduate and senior students.

Alternative rental accommodation is available on local farms and in the nearby towns of Northam and York. A daily commuter train travels between Northam and Perth, which may be of some use to students and staff travelling to and from the metropolitan area.

How Much Does Accommodation on the Muresk Campus Cost?

In 1997, a room in the Halls of Residence will cost \$1287.50 and the fee for accommodation in the Settlement will be \$1437.50 per semester. These fees also include 50 meal tickets.

Can Students Living in University Accommodation Cook in Their Rooms?

Cooking in bedrooms is not allowed due to Health Regulations. Therefore, students are not allowed fridges, microwaves, toasters or ovens, etc. in their rooms. However, coffee and tea making facilities and refrigerators are provided in the common rooms where snacks and drinks may be made and stored.

Some student accommodation includes kitchen facilities eg Muresk Settlement.

Where Can I Buy Food?

There are numerous food outlets on the Bentley campus, ranging from cafeteria to cafe style. Students on the Muresk campus can purchase meals from the Dempster Dining Room on weekdays, and an evening meal is available on Sundays. You probably need to allow \$10 to \$20 per day, depending on how many meals you need to buy and the size of your appetite. Many students prefer to make their own - it is often a cheaper option!

What Social and Recreational Facilities Can I Use?

When you are not studying, Curtin University offers a range of recreational activities including squash, tennis, badminton, volleyball, netball, basketball, cricket, football, and a gymnasium. In addition there are a number of clubs and organisations you can join.

A swimming pool and horse riding facilities are available to students on the Muresk campus. Here, students may have one horse [mare or gelding] on campus, providing it is exercised and fed regularly and the owner abides by the Muresk Horse Club rules. Agistment fees are approximately \$60 per semester.

The Muresk horse facilities include stables, dressage arena, jumps and polocrosse grounds. Horses may be ridden through the Muresk farm.

Cats, dogs and other pets are not allowed on campus.



What Other Fees Are There?

All students must pay HECS (Higher Education Contribution Scheme). HECS is approximately \$2408 per year (for full-time students) and can be paid up front each semester for a 25% discount or "deferred" and taxed from a student's income once it exceeds about \$27 000 per annum. HECS is charged pro rata for part-time students.

Student Guild Fees are optional, approx. \$100 per year.

Who Do I Contact For More Information?

The Academic Officer
 Muresk Institute of Agriculture
 Curtin University of Technology
 Northam WA 6401
 Ph: 096 901 576
 Fax: 096 901 500

“Try Out” Information

We encourage any Year 10 student to “Try Out” Harvey Agricultural College for a normal school week to see how the college suites you.

Try Out weeks are held each term from a Sunday to Friday. Students need to arrive by 5.00 pm at the latest on Sunday afternoon.

There will be no cost to parents and no obligation to enrol at the College.

Places are available to those who may be interested in studying for the Year 11 and Year 12 agricultural courses which offer many career opportunities, entry to Muresk Institute of Agriculture, further study at TAFE and linkages to apprenticeships.

Parents are required to arrange transport for students to and from the College.

Visitors are welcome during office hours to look over the College and Farm.

Full details are available from the College by telephoning the Registrar, Marg Angel (on 08 97 291 302) between Monday and Friday, who will be only too pleased to answer any questions you may have. The College will contact interested students once a “Try Out” week has been organised.

"TRY OUT" FORM

IMPORTANT - PLEASE RETURN FORM

If you would like to "Try Out" Harvey Agricultural College, this form must be filled in by you and your parents and posted as soon as possible to:

Harvey Agricultural College
PO Box 496
Harvey WA 6220

STUDENT NAME _____

SCHOOL _____ YEAR _____

INTERESTS _____

PARENT'S NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ FAX NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____

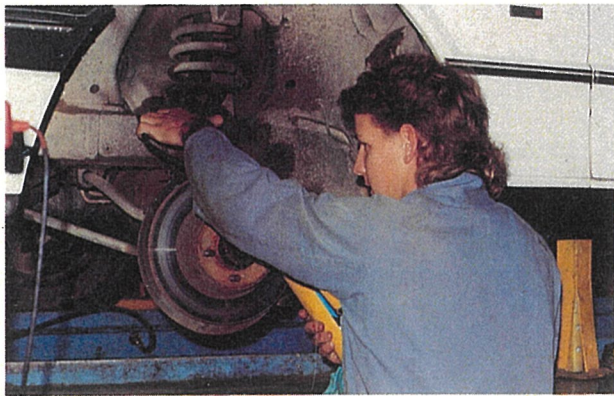
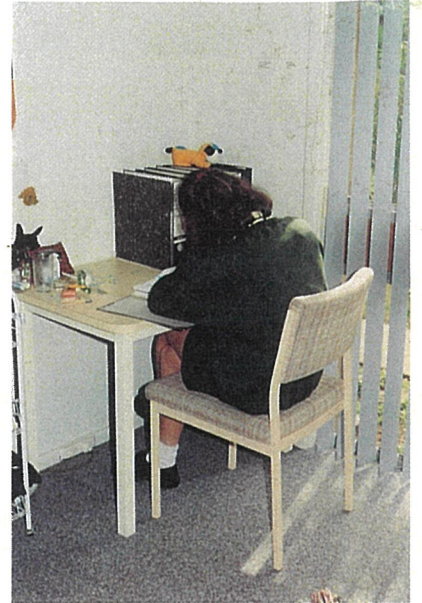
PARENT PERMISSION

1. I am fully aware of the arrangements and give my permission for _____ to stay and work at the Harvey Agricultural College for four days.
2. I am fully aware there is no obligation for students to enrol for future years.
3. I understand that the School reserves the right to send any "Try Out" student home, should the circumstances warrant this.
4. I will supply the following information to the Harvey Agricultural College staff, regarding my son/daughter (ie. medical, diet, special requests etc.) which is necessary for his/her welfare.

MEDICARE NUMBER _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (Allergies, Medication etc.) _____

Parents Signature _____ Date _____



For further information
contact

The Registrar
James Stirling Place
HARVEY WA 6220

Phone (087) 92 1222

