Start your Newman journey...
Newman SHS the right choice
Choosing a school for your child is one of the biggest, most important decisions you will make in your life.

To help guide you through this crucial time, we have developed this prospectus. We hope it will give you a sense of who we are and how your child’s time at Newman Senior High School will be a wonderful, well-rounded experience. We pride ourselves on strong values, building sustainable partnerships with the community and striving toward success for every student.

We are proud to be an Independent Public School. Our merit selected, dedicated staff partner with the community to provide an enriched curriculum, responsive to community needs, where your child will have the opportunity to participate in a wide range of academic, vocational and co-curricular activities.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child.

Milanna Heberle
Principal
THE IRON HEART OF EDUCATION

We have a big, strong heart here at Newman Senior High School. We live in a tough and sometimes challenging part of the world.

In order to grow and prosper we place a lot of worth on our values. We make sure they are at the heart of everything we do. We are proud of our positive culture and we recognise that it takes work and commitment from the school community to maintain. We focus on local traditions, quality education, our environment and our diverse school community.

Together with you, the parent or carer, we offer your child a vast array of opportunities in the world of education. Our goal is to raise the achievement levels of all our students – to make sure your child is successful in whatever it is they choose to do.

Our quality teaching staff invest in their relationships with their students. They get to know your child as an individual and tailor their learning to meet specific needs or desires. These dedicated people – our teaching and non-teaching team – also work closely with local community groups and businesses to develop strong and sustainable partnerships that ensure your child has access to outstanding enrichment activities.

Our motto, Iron Heart, represents the strength, resilience, character and care and compassion we develop in our students. We believe successful students have Iron Hearts.
Our values: the Newman way

Newman Senior High School embraces the cultural diversity of students and teachers and promotes cultural acceptance. By upholding our values, The Newman Way, we partner with parents and carers to support the social and emotional needs of all students.

Care and compassion
• We care for ourselves and others.
• We treat people fairly and protect what we believe is important.

Respect
• We embrace our schools’ diverse cultures and treat each other with consideration.
• We make sure we all feel included.

Responsibility
• We are accountable for our actions and resolve differences appropriately.
• Whether personal, academic, social or environmental, we embrace the opportunities we have.
OUR ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Newman SHS has a proven record of both academic and vocational success. Our partnerships ensure our distance from Perth is no barrier to students interested in tertiary studies.

Our academic courses provide fundamental skills and knowledge, as well as challenge and extension. The school’s courses are consistent with the requirements of the School Curriculum and Standards Authority for all year groups.

Our Learning Areas for Years 7-10 are:
• English
• Mathematics
• Science
• Humanities & Social Sciences
• Technology & Enterprise
• The Arts
• Health and Physical Education

For those aiming for a University pathway we proudly participate in the UWA ASPIRE program. This program supports and mentors these students and offers distinct advantages for country students wishing to gain entry to University.

We have established a unique Sister School partnership which links our school with the high performing Perth based Shenton College. This enables our students and staff to collaborate to enrich and challenge learning.

The school participates in the moderation process with other schools in the state. This involves sharing and comparing of assessments, grades and exams which ensures programs meet the highest possible standard.

In addition our access to the School of Isolated and Distance Education (SIDE) increases the range of courses available for our senior students. We are grateful to BHP Billiton who supports our academic challenge and growth by providing two substantial Year 12 academic grants.
OUR SPECIAL PROGRAMS
MINING ALLIANCE PROGRAM

Western Australia’s only specialist Mining Alliance Program (MAP) is designed to provide selected students with the opportunity to explore mining-related experiences offering both academic enrichment and trade preparation.

Built on proven partnerships with local business and designed to align to the BHP Billiton supported Trade Pathways, MAP focuses on developing sound knowledge and enhanced skills through links with industry. MAP excursions and learning experiences are designed to extend and motivate our students.

MAP students also have the added advantage of access to the Trade Training Centre with a transition program commencing from Year 9, which enables students to access apprenticeship opportunities and alternative university entry pathways. The learning activities at the Centre provides our students with the best possible preparation to join the Newman workforce.
NEWMAN TRADE TRAINING CENTRE

The Newman Trade Training Centre (NTTC) program provides students the opportunity to enjoy state-of-the-art facilities whilst completing their Certificate II in Engineering Pathways.

The NTTC program is a natural progression from the Mining Alliance program which is strongly supported by BHP Billiton and local industry. The program is designed to extend and motivate students who wish to pursue a trade pathway.

It focuses on building strong trade hand skills via the Certificate II in Engineering Pathways, trade based literacy and numeracy, work ethic and work readiness, which is supported by mandatory workplace learning. Students gain knowledge and practical experience at industry standard whilst completing a nationally recognised certificate, making them competitive in their transition from school to employment or further education in the mining and allied industries.
KICKING GOALS AND SHOOTING GOALS
These two sports programs are about the heart, mind, body and spirit. Not only do they provide physical challenge, they also develop personal confidence, self-belief and a commitment to the pursuit of learning.

Both Kicking Goals (AFL) and Shooting Goals Netball are based on an innovative reward and incentive system. Students are required to maintain high levels of attendance and behaviour to remain in the program.

The program is designed to encourage school attendance and engagement, develop individual self esteem, demonstrate the importance of goals and aspiration, explore the notions of team work and leadership, demonstrate the importance of health and wellbeing and enable students to contribute back to their local community.

Our Physical Education (including the award winning Kicking Goals AFL program) and Performing Arts programs are enhanced by our access to the town’s recreation and performing arts facilities.
OUR VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS
Navigating life’s education and employment opportunities can be tricky. Our vocational programs are designed to help students plot a course for their transition from school to employment or further study.

The Vocational Education and Training (VET) options at Newman Senior High School have been selected to address national and local skills shortages. Our strong vocational program boasts a high rate of student success in supporting the transition from school to employment or further education.

All qualifications contribute towards the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) achievement. In conjunction with carefully selected Registered Training Organisations (RTO’s) such as Pilbara Institute, the following opportunities are available to Year 11 and 12 students;
Certificate II in Business
Certificate II in Engineering Pathways (Trade Training Centre only)
Certificate II in Hospitality
Certificate II in Sport Coaching/Sport and Recreation

NOTE: Students not enrolled in an ATAR pathway must complete a nationally recognised Certificate II or higher to achieve WACE. The School Based Traineeship program may also be available to suitable applicants. (subject to availability of suitable employer and applicant).

It is also possible to access certificate courses to cater for individual needs. The school also offers traineeship opportunities for high performing VET students. Our strong VET program increases the chance of real life employment for our students. Combined with our strong partnerships with local industry, the future is looking positive for students in our vocational programs.
ABORIGINAL EDUCATION

The local Aboriginal people are the Martu who are the custodians of the land. We work closely with the Martu people to develop initiatives that support attendance and that embrace safe and inclusive differentiated learning and cultural understanding.

Our Follow the Dream/Partnerships for Success program has been developed to assist our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Years 7 to 12 to reach their full potential at school. Follow The Dream encourages our students to aim high and aspire to achieve in all aspects of life.

The Martu program focuses on literacy, numeracy and skills to promote a positive future. The Martu program works in conjunction with organisations such as BHP and the YMCA to engage students in worthwhile and culturally appropriate ways. The program is flexible, responding to enrolment numbers and resourcing opportunities.