

Media Release

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New educational opportunities for senior secondary students in Seymour and surrounding areas

In an exciting development for Seymour and surrounding communities, St Mary's College, Seymour will soon be enrolling senior secondary students, with Year 11 commencing in 2024 and Year 12 in 2025, subject to approval from the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA).

Principal Wayne Smith said 'Catholic education is flourishing in the fast growing areas of Seymour and Mitchell Shire and we're delighted to have senior secondary education returning after a 34-year absence.

'Our whole College community is excited that the high-quality, faith-based, and affordable secondary co-education option we offer families from Foundation to Year 10 will soon be available to students in Year 11 and Year 12.'

'Integral to the mission of St Mary's College, Seymour is for our students to experience the wholeness of a Catholic education through all their compulsory years of education.'

'St Mary's College welcomes students from all faith and cultural backgrounds who are supportive of the ethos of the College.'

'The College will strive to keep school fees as affordable as possible to remain accessible to local families because we believe that no child should miss out on a Catholic education because of their family's financial circumstances,' he said.

In supporting the announcement, Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) Executive Director Mr Jim Miles said that MACS was pleased to offer the choice of a Catholic senior secondary education to families in the Seymour area and looks forward to working closely with the College, St Mary's Catholic Parish, and the wider community to deliver these new educational pathways for students.

The College is grateful for the support it has received from Mitchell Shire Council, College Advisory Council and parents and the Melbourne Archdiocese.

Mitchell Shire is the fastest growing local government area in Victoria.

Parents wishing to discuss enrolling their child in Year 11 for 2024 at St Mary's College, Seymour, should contact the school on (03) 5792 2611.

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