VET RECOGNITION FOR TCE CERTIFICATION

TASC has been receiving questions about how VET units and qualifications contribute towards a TCE. We are providing further clarity for the process in 2020 and 2021. This information explains:

- how completed VET units are allocated credit points towards a TCE
- the 2020 and 2021 refinements to ensure students undertaking VET qualifications receive appropriate recognition of their learning towards their TCE.

How will VET units contribute towards a TCE?

- All VET units undertaken as part of a full qualification (i.e. a Certificate I, II or III) will be recognised at the level of the qualification, regardless of whether the qualification is completed or not.
- All VET units that are not reported with a qualification will be recognised at the lowest level the unit is listed in a training package on www.training.gov.au

This approach recognises the level of complexity of the qualification in attributing credit points towards the TCE when a student is undertaking a VET qualification. TASC will also ensure that no student undertaking a Certificate I in 2020 will be disadvantaged, with their VET units to be recognised at the individual unit level if it is higher than the qualification level.

How is TASC ensuring learners undertaking VET are not disadvantaged by COVID-19?

In 2020 and 2021, TASC is ensuring that no learner will be disadvantaged by not having completed their VET qualification as a result of the impact of COVID-19 (which may have affected the completion of some units of competence).

Previously, the level of complexity of a VET unit was recalculated when TASC received confirmation that a student had completed their VET qualification.

This year and next, we will do this calculation prior to a qualification being completed, so students have all their credit points count towards their TCE at the level of the qualification regardless of having fully completed the VET qualification or not.

This will ensure that students receive the TCE credit points for all VET units they have completed. at the level of the qualification they have undertaken.

The ongoing recognition of VET towards the TCE beyond 2021 is being considered as part of the <u>Years 9 to 12</u> Project.

What are the next steps?

- This adjustment will require some changes to TASC's existing systems and will not be reflected in the system until later in 2020. More information will be shared over the coming weeks.
- Please share this information with all school staff involved in VET provision to ensure they are aware of these changes in practices for 2020 and 2021.

