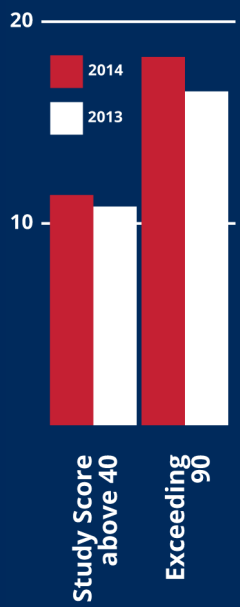




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2014 VCE RESULTS



RESULTS WRAP UP

Congratulations to our Year 12 students of 2014 on their successful VCE results as the third highest Catholic boys school in Victoria with regards to study scores over 40. The Class of 2014 at Salesian College Chadstone has distinguished itself as a cohort, achieving results that have surpassed previous years. According to Principal Robert Brennan, this result is testimony to the sustained effort over many years to develop a robust learning environment with the aid of a group of diligent, professional and committed staff.



Principal Mr Robert Brennan with 2014 Dux, Nathan D'Souza



Salesian College Chadstone 2014 over 97 ATAR recipients

THE HIGHLIGHTS

- Dux of 2014, Nathan D'Souza achieved an ATAR of 99.65; putting him in the top 0.35 of all Year 12 students in the state
- 5 per cent of students achieved an ATAR above 97
- 9 per cent of students achieved an ATAR above 95
- 18 per cent of students achieved an ATAR exceeding 90
- 11.45 per cent of students achieved a study score above 40
- The median study score sat at 31.5
- 37 per cent of our students achieved an ATAR above 80
- VCE Completion rate: 100 per cent



Salesian College Chadstone 2014 over 95 ATAR recipients



Salesian College Chadstone 2014 over 90 ATAR recipients

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Nathan D'Souza
2014 Year 12 Salesian College
Chadstone Dux
ATAR 99.65

It was a year that proved to be challenging, yet rewarding in numerous respects. Like any other VCE student, I had many responsibilities to deal with, from keeping up to date with my studies, to trying to decide what my future held for me. Though it was certainly difficult at times, the ability to stay focused and on track was truly testament to the great deal of help and support from people surrounding me.

From an early age I always strove for excellence, and to achieve the best that I possibly could. Salesian College provided the opportunity for me to explore that passion, and allowed me to thrive. A challenge came in Year 8, when the option to apply for a particular select entry school came up. Whilst some of my peers took up the offer, I decided that my needs were being met completely where I was already, and so, with little inner conflict, I opted to remain at Salesian.

Looking back at this decision, I feel that I made the best choice possible. Throughout the latter years of my school life, our year level grew closer and closer together, providing a sense of mateship and community that was, and still is, a unique and unbreakable bond that will last a lifetime. The teachers and mentors that I had were also equally influential. Each of them were experts in their field, and created an atmosphere of learning that allowed not just myself, but everyone to succeed. These unforgettable attributes have supported and moulded me into becoming a well rounded individual, and allowed me to achieve what I had always dreamt of. I know that the teachings and learnings that have been imparted to me will remain with me for a lifetime.

Throughout my journey, the staff of Salesian College also played a vital role in enabling me to explore my potential. They helped me become a part of the University of Melbourne as a Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholar, thus placing me in the right direction for my future. When times got tough, and stress was slowly building, my teachers were always there to guide me and to provide invaluable support. This memory will also stay with me. When the time came to choose a university course, I found it extremely difficult to decide what I wanted to do. Suddenly the time was here to make the right decision about what and who I wanted to be. It was a trying time, but, like many life decisions, I settled on a solution that was right for me. With parental guidance and advice from the school I came to realise that choosing to apply for a Bachelor of Biomedicine at the University of Melbourne was where I wanted to be. Making a difference is what I want.

I thank my parents for their continuous and unconditional love and support. They were always there when I needed help, gave me my space, and eased my other responsibilities when exams were on the horizon. They always encouraged me to have a well-balanced lifestyle, where most weekends involved social family gatherings to break the monotony and ease the stresses of VCE.

The reality of Year 12 is demanding, however the friendships that we make, the dreams that we recognise, the growth that we undergo, and our Catholic faith, all strengthen our character and values in life. I look back on my Year 12 and time at Salesian College Chadstone with great fondness, and will remember it as one of the best years of my life.



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