

# YOUTH TAKE OVER

## Commonly Asked Questions



### What is a Youth Take Over (YTO)?

Youth Take Over (YTO) is a practical initiative where Vocational Major Year 11/12 students participate in an out-of-classroom industry project over 6–8 weeks. Through collaboration and hands-on learning, students gain valuable workplace experience while also addressing VM curriculum requirements.

### How does it work?

Classroom teacher, LLEN and Industry co-ordinate a once a week, 6–8 week program for the students. This is known as the Youth Take Over (YTO) and its purpose is to give VM Year 11/12 students the chance to spend quality time within a specific industry. Ideally, students would be engaging in meaningful work tasks while they are in the workplace. The project concludes with a youth-led final presentation where the students showcase and celebrate their project.





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## How does a YTO benefit the school and students?

Students can build valuable industry connections, develop key skills to enhance their resumes, and gain an insight into the types of jobs available within a specific workplace. It enables students to work outside the classroom and get skills for work and life in a hands-on experience. The program can meet many of the key skills and the knowledge required in the VM curriculum. Please see the YTO curriculum guide for examples of linking the project with curriculum.

## How does a YTO benefit the Industry?

Industry and workplaces benefit by gaining fresh perspectives from students and strengthening their ties with the local schools, students and the wider community. The collaboration could also help identify potential workforce employees.

## What is the role of the LLEN?

The LLEN will support the YTO by facilitating the connection between school and industry. LLEN staff will further assist the project with logistical support, student workshops and the final presentation.



*"We learnt heaps of soft skills in this YTO! It was great to meet new people and do hands on activities and we really loved learning all about Dolly's Dream."*

*-VM Students at Kerang Technical High School*

