

## 2026 Year 9 & 10 Unit Outline

### Textiles & Design

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**Faculty:** Design & Technology

**Unit Duration:** Semester 2, 2026

**The Australian Curriculum Achievement Standards in Design and Technologies** actively engages students in creating quality designed solutions for identified needs and opportunities across a range of technologies contexts. Students manage projects independently and collaboratively from conception to realisation. They apply design and systems thinking and design processes to investigate ideas, generate and refine ideas, plan, produce and evaluate designed solutions. They develop a sense of pride, satisfaction and enjoyment from their ability to develop innovative designed products, services and environments.

Through the practical application of technologies including digital technologies, students develop dexterity and coordination through experiential activities. Design and Technologies motivates young people and engages them in a range of learning experiences that are transferable to family and home, constructive leisure activities, community contribution and the world of work

#### Australian Curriculum Achievement Standard:

By the end of Year 10 students explain how people consider factors that impact on design decisions and the technologies used to design and produce products, services and environments for sustainable living. They explain the contribution of innovation, enterprise skills and emerging technologies to global preferred futures. For one or more of the technologies contexts, students explain the features of technologies and their appropriateness for purpose, and create designed solutions based on an analysis of needs or opportunities. Students create, adapt and refine design ideas, processes and solutions and justify their decisions against developed design criteria that include sustainability. They communicate design ideas, processes and solutions to a range of audiences, including using digital tools. Students independently and collaboratively develop and apply production and project management plans, adjusting processes when necessary. They select and use technologies skilfully and safely to produce designed solutions.

#### Unit Description:

Throughout this course students will be provided opportunities to take responsibility for, and ownership of, their own learning through project-based learning. Students are involved in planning their own learning, formulating questions, investigating widely, and building new understandings, meanings and knowledge. Students are encouraged to try new skills to build confidence in the use of materials, tools and equipment in this space. This unit of study will take advantage of and integrate the cross curricular subjects of literacy, technology and maths to produce their practical projects. Students will explore a range of techniques utilising a variety of textiles and fibres and then use these skills and techniques to design, plan, construct and evaluate projects of increasing complexity. They will be taught the meta language of this key learning area. Specific skills explored in this unit include coloration techniques and fabric production, and constructing garments following a pattern.

#### Essential Learning Outcomes developed from the Achievement Standards of the Australian Curriculum:

**EL1: V9.DST.10.03** - For one or more of the technologies contexts, explains the features of technologies and their appropriateness for purpose, and creates designed solutions based on an analysis of needs or opportunities

**EL2: V9.DST.10.04** - Creates, adapts and refines design ideas, processes and solutions and justifies their decisions against developed design criteria that include sustainability

**EL3: V9.DST.10.05** - Communicates design ideas, processes and solutions to a range of audiences, including using digital tools

**EL4: V9.DST.10.07** - Selects and uses technologies skilfully and safely to produce designed solutions

**Materials and Equipment Required:** Students are expected to arrive at every class with a class book/folder to write notes for that subject, a writing instrument and a Chromebook or similar, appropriate electronic device. Students may also be required to provide the following additional materials and equipment: *pins, patterns, scissors, glue stick, own choice of fabric as required*

**Absences from Class:** Students who miss classes due to absence or excursions must negotiate with the class teacher to catch up missed work.

**Use of IT in Class:** A Google Classroom has been set up for this class **bawligfe**. Students will be required to log into this Google Classroom regularly to access course material. Students must bring their Chromebook to all lessons, however, the use of these devices in class will be at the discretion of the teacher.

**Homework:** Any homework will be directly related to instruction and course requirements, will be assessed appropriately and may impact upon student grades. Examples of homework may include; catch up on missed classwork, revision of classwork, study for tests, assignment work, or preparation for a class presentation.

**Late Work:** Extensions may be negotiated with individual teachers before the due date

**Plagiarism:** Plagiarism is copying or using another’s work and claiming it as your own. This includes copying, cutting and pasting text or using ideas directly from a text, the internet or some other source without appropriate referencing. The use of Generative AI to produce your work, or edit it so that it no longer reflects your work, is a form of plagiarism. If this happens, work may not be graded and students will be asked to discuss the assessment with the classroom teacher and Executive Teacher for that subject. If a teacher suspects a student may have plagiarised their work they may choose to assess the student in an alternative way, such as verbally or under test conditions. Parents may be contacted as part of this process.

**Assessment Portfolio:** This contains evidence of work from the opportunities the students have been provided to demonstrate elements of the achievement standard.

| Portfolio Assessment Tasks for this subject will include:                       | Week / Date Due | Essential Learning |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1. Practical Task 1 (Beginning sewing tasks and tote bag)                       | 4               | 4                  |
| 2. Research Task – Sustainably - coloration techniques in the textiles industry | 6               | 1,2,3              |
| 3. Practical task 2 – Coloration experimentation and Fabric creation            | Ongoing, 10     | 1,2                |
| 4. Practical task 3 – Self-directed Fabric Project                              | 16              | 4                  |

**A-E Reporting Grade Descriptors** These are the grades and grade descriptors for reporting at the end of each Semester.

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| A | Demonstrating <b>excellent</b> achievement of what is expected (Consistently achieving a proficiency level of 4 or above in each of the Essential Learnings)   |
| B | Demonstrating a <b>high</b> achievement of what is expected (Consistently achieving a proficiency level of between 3 and 4 in each of the Essential Learnings) |
| C | Demonstrating <b>satisfactory</b> achievement of what is expected (Achieving a proficiency level of 3 across the Essential Learnings)                          |
| D | Demonstrating <b>partial</b> achievement of what is expected (Achieving a proficiency of between 1 and 3 across the Essential Learnings)                       |
| E | Demonstrating <b>limited</b> achievement of what is expected (Achieving a proficiency of 1 or less in each of the Essential Learnings)                         |

**S** **Status** is awarded where unavoidable circumstances have prevented assessment. Must be negotiated with the Principal.

**Grade Descriptors and the “C” grade**

In ACT public schools the Australian Curriculum Achievement Standard is aligned with a ‘C’ grade. The ‘C’ grade indicates that your child has demonstrated a satisfactory level of knowledge, understanding and skill in relation to the Achievement Standard.

**Appeals**

*A student must initiate an appeal for any grade with their subject teacher. If a student is dissatisfied with that initial process, they must pursue further appeal through the Faculty Executive Teacher for that subject.*

**Executive Teacher**

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