Queensland Certificate of Education QCE

What is the QCE?
The Queensland Certificate of Education, QCE, is Queensland’s Senior Certificate and was first issued in 2007.
- It is usually completed by students in Years 11 and 12. It is awarded to students that complete a body of work to a set standard.
- Most students will be awarded the QCE by the end of year 12.
- Students that are not awarded the QCE by the end of year 12 can complete further study up until the age of 25 that will contribute to the QCE.
- A variety of informative Fact Sheets provided by QSA on their website (www.qsa.qld.edu.au) assist with common and unusual scenarios that students may be presented with.

Why would I want a QCE?
It’s the only record that you have finished high school that you will get.
It proves that you can work.
It proves that you are literate and numerate.
Employers will see that you have successfully completed (passed) at Grade 12.
So, employers are looking for them!

How do I get a QCE?
A QCE is awarded when you complete the requirements listed in the table below.

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<td>At least 12 credits from completed Core Courses of Study + 8 credits from any other combination + Literacy and numeracy requirements.</td>
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For most students, by the end of Year 12, you need:
Literacy tick + Numeracy tick = Pass at least one semester of any English + one semester of any Maths.
20 Credits = Pass 3 subjects all the way through (12 Credits) + 8 Credits from any combo of subjects.

At Trinity Bay SHS, students would normally study a combination of 6 subjects or Certificate II or higher courses and a Certificate I course in Year 10. Successful completion of these, including an English and a Mathematics, earns a student 26 credits and is thus eligible for a QCE.