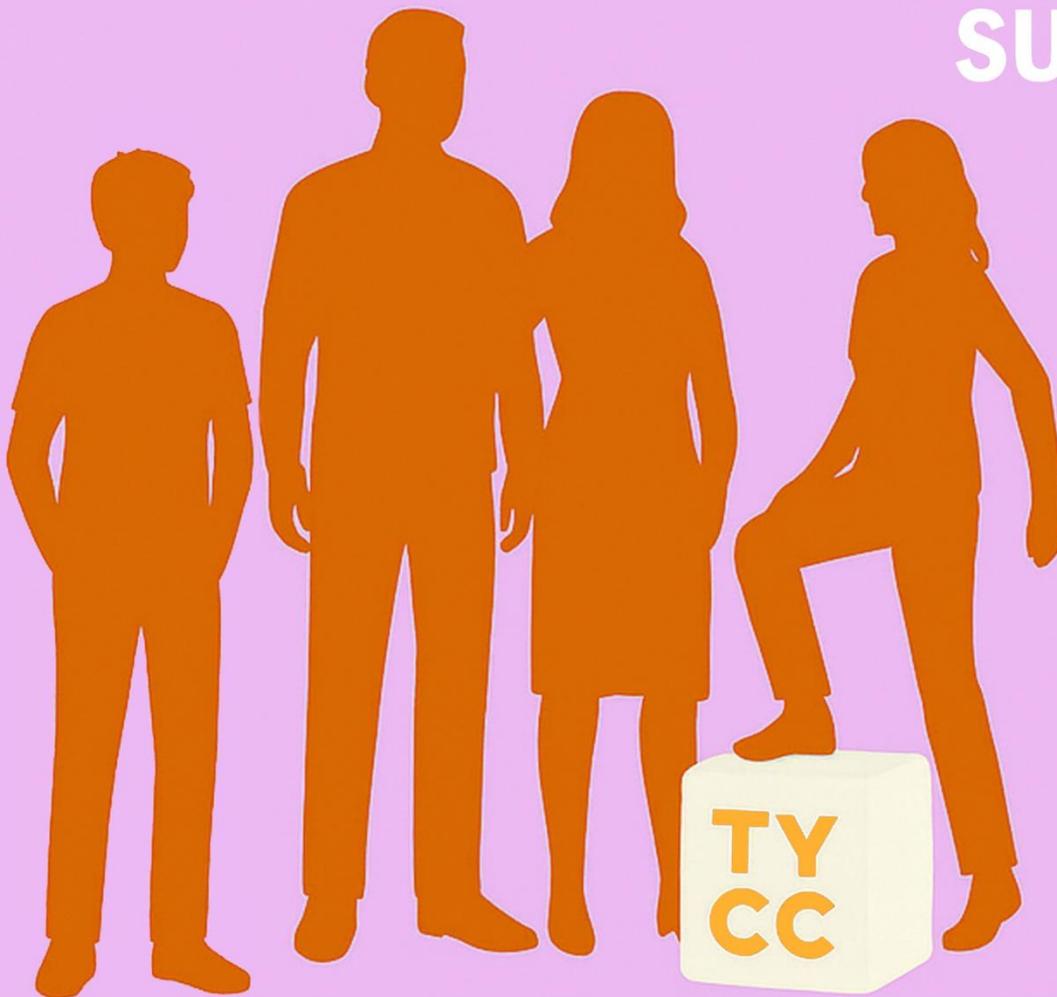


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PARENTS GUIDE

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Why This Guide Matters:

Helping your child choose a career path in 2025 is more complex than ever before. Between study stress, automation, AI-driven recruitment and an overwhelming number of pathways, today's young people are navigating a job market that is unfamiliar even to the most informed parents. This guide is here to support you. As the biggest influence on your child's future, you have the power to guide them with confidence, empathy and up-to-date knowledge.

The New Reality of Starting a Career:

- Choosing a career and landing a first job is harder than ever
- AI and automation are reshaping future jobs
- Schools, TAFEs and Unis are overwhelmed and under-resourced
- Study stress is at an all-time high
- Social media and online advice often lack credibility or depth
- Parents feel unprepared but they matter more than ever

What Parents Want to Know (and Deserve Answers To):

How do I know what career paths are realistic or future-proof?

The truth? No career path is entirely "future-proof" anymore. We're living in a time of rapid change driven by AI, automation, climate shifts and global labour market shifts. Jobs we once considered stable (like law clerks or even accountants) are evolving, while newer fields like cyber security, green energy, allied health and digital design are booming. But here's the key: it's not about predicting the future it's about preparing your child with transferable skills, critical thinking, adaptability and emotional intelligence. TYCC helps decode labour market trends, emerging industries and practical training options. We show young people how to build a toolkit not just chase titles, so they stay employable, resilient and excited for what's ahead.

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How do I support my child without pushing them?

Support starts with curiosity, not control. Many parents out of love unknowingly push their child into a pathway that feels safe but may not be right. Your child's development depends on discovering who they are before deciding what they do. At TYCC, we work with both parents and young people to bridge the communication gap. We help teens explore their values, personality and strengths while guiding parents to ask better questions, recognise growth moments and support exploration. When done right, your child will feel safe enough to make bold choices and wise enough to take responsibility.

Should they go to Uni, TAFE, or straight into work?

There's no "one path fits all" anymore. In 2025, skills matter more than the study route. Many university grads are underemployed or working outside their field, while skilled trades, healthcare support roles and digital jobs often require only TAFE or short courses. We help young people assess:

- Their learning style and personality
- The cost vs. outcome of different pathways
- Their desired lifestyle, income and work values

TYCC ensures they don't commit to 3+ years of study (and a HECS debt) without clarity. We help them map out a sustainable first step and pivot later with confidence if needed.

How do I help them stand out in a competitive job market?

Employers in 2025 want more than grades they want grit, initiative, communication and digital literacy. But many young people don't know how to demonstrate these things. TYCC gives your child the career literacy they don't get in school:

- How to write a targeted resume and cover letter

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- What makes a LinkedIn profile or job application stand out
- The art of networking, even as a student
- Ways to build experience (volunteering, internships, part-time roles) that align with long-term goals

We don't just prepare them for "the job market" we help them become opportunity ready.

What if my child has no idea what they want to do?

Then they're not lost they're just in the right place to start asking the right questions. Most 15-25 year olds don't need a "career decision." They need career direction. At TYCC, we guide them through self-discovery, experimentation and identity-forming steps. We don't rush them toward one fixed path. Instead, we help them build clarity, confidence and curiosity so their direction emerges naturally. Parents don't have to have all the answers. But having a trusted guide like TYCC in your corner can make all the difference.

Why Choose The Youth Career Counsellor (TYCC)?

TYCC isn't just a career counselling service, it's a modern framework for confident decision-making.

- **Turning Uncertainty into Action:** We don't just give advice. We give direction.
- **A Framework for Life:** Our model blends psychology, coaching and 25+ years of experience.
- **Personalised, Never Prescriptive:** Every plan is tailored to your child's personality, pace and potential.
- **Connections That Count:** TYCC has deep industry networks, helping young people understand what jobs are really like.

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- **Shaped by Lived Experience:** Led by someone who's been there and gets it emotionally and practically.

3 Ways You Can Help Today:

1. Have an honest chat. Ask your child what they care about and what's making them feel stuck.
2. Explore together. Visit open days, explore job clusters or take a strengths test together.
3. Book a free 15-min Discovery Call with TYCC. Give them the support they deserve from a professional who gets it.

We're Here to Help:

Your child's future doesn't need to be figured out today, but it does need to be supported. Download this guide, keep it close and take the first step toward clarity. When you're ready, book a free 15-min discovery call with The Youth Career Counsellor.

Final Word:

"If you don't understand what you value, you'll end up where you don't want to be."

Let's help you figure it out together.

Because your future deserves more than guesswork.

Book a free 15-minute discovery call and let's start building your career clarity together.

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Useful Career & Pathway Resources for Youth (2025):

Jobs & Skills WA – Free and Subsidised TAFE Courses

This is the *go-to hub* for exploring free and low-cost TAFE courses across Western Australia. Ideal for school leavers, career changers or anyone wanting job-ready skills in trades, healthcare, tech and more.

Your Career – Australian Government Career Explorer Tool

A powerful national platform where young people can explore job profiles, training pathways, future demand and skill requirements. Also includes a '**Career Quiz**' to match interests with potential occupations.

Career Tools – Australians leading career tool for students & teachers

A trusted national platform widely used in schools, Career Tools provides students and educators with practical resources for career exploration and planning. It offers self-assessments, job information, and teaching materials, making it easy for young people to connect their skills and interests to future opportunities.

Labour Market Insights – Explore Job Growth and Industry Trends

An excellent tool to understand **which jobs are growing**, what skills are in demand and how the job market is evolving in Australia helping parents and youth make **future-informed decisions**.

Skillsroad – Career Discovery Hub for Young Australians

Created specifically for young people, this site includes self-assessment quizzes, resume tools, job readiness tips and real employer insights. Very youth-friendly and ideal for students aged 15–25.

myfuture – Australian Career Information Service

A long-standing national resource supported by education departments, with career profiles, pathway charts and tailored support for parents. It also offers **parent-specific resources** on how to talk career with your child.