



Dear Parents / Guardians

RE: Year 9 OLNA Testing

This year, students in Year 9 will be offered the opportunity to undertake the Online Literacy and Numeracy Test (OLNA) instead of the regular National Assessment Program: Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) testing normally undertaken by Year 9 students.

OLNA is usually undertaken by students in Years 10, 11 and 12 who have not met the minimum standards of Reading, Writing and Numeracy through Year 9 NAPLAN. As a result of COVID-19, NAPLAN testing in 2020 was cancelled. All Year 9 students will now participate in the OLNA assessment this year. This change in testing programs has occurred at all schools throughout Western Australia.

In a similar manner to NAPLAN, the OLNA will provide Year 9 students with the opportunity to meet Reading, Writing and Numeracy minimum standards in order to meet the requirements for secondary graduation (Western Australian Certificate of Education [WACE]).

For note: Current Year 9 students who achieved a Band 8 or higher in Writing in Year 7 NAPLAN will pre-qualify for the Writing component of OLNA. Students who meet the minimum will not be required to undertake any further testing.

Students will be advised of the OLNA Testing arrangements at our Year 9 Assembly on 1 July 2020.

Please refer to the testing summary on the following page. Should you require further information regarding the OLNA testing and support offered, we encourage you to contact your child's Mathematics or English teacher in the first instance. For more detailed queries, please contact the Leader of Wellbeing Year 9, or the Leader of Learning Resources using the details below.

Yours sincerely

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OLNA Testing Summary

| OLNA Writing | | |
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| Testing date: Monday 10 August Period 2 and PCG (Term 3, Week 4) | Students participating: Only those Year 9 students who achieved less than Band 8 in Year 7 NAPLAN. | Format: 1 question typed online. 600-word limit. 60 minutes to complete. Special needs adjustments available. |
| OLNA Reading | | |
| Testing date: Thursday 13 August Period 1 (Term 3, Week 4) | Students participating: All Year 9 students. | Format: 45 multiple-choice questions. Online format. 50 minutes to complete. Special needs adjustments available. |
| OLNA Numeracy | | |
| Testing date: Tuesday 18 August Period 1 (Term 3, Week 5) | Students participating: All Year 9 students. | Format: 45 multiple-choice questions. Online format. 50 minutes to complete. Special needs adjustments available. |