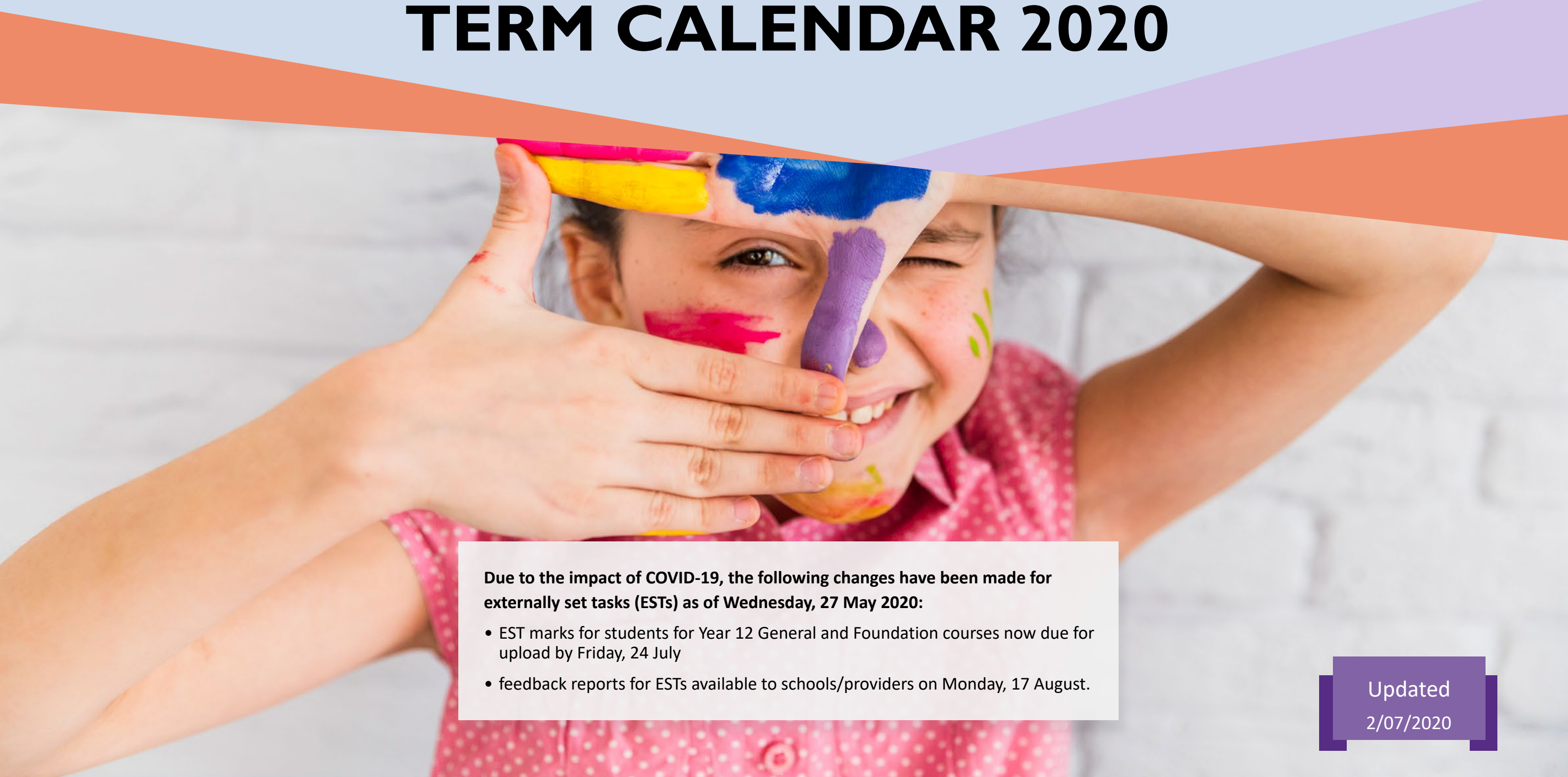


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Due to the impact of COVID-19, the following changes have been made for externally set tasks (ESTs) as of Wednesday, 27 May 2020:

- EST marks for students for Year 12 General and Foundation courses now due for upload by Friday, 24 July
- feedback reports for ESTs available to schools/providers on Monday, 17 August.

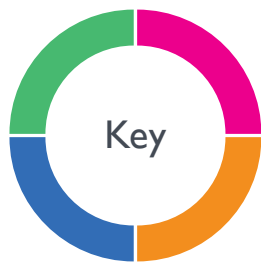
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2020 TERM 3

Monday, 20 July
to Friday, 25 September



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See last page for quick reference guide to 2020 WACE requirements.

Monday, 20 July ●

Received by schools/providers

- Visual Arts ATAR course practical (production) examination submission categories data form.

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- Physical Education Studies ATAR course practical examination elective forms listing the sport and skill level in which the student is enrolled for the practical examination.

Monday, 20 July ▲

Available on the website

- Year 12 Information Handbook 2020, Part II available for viewing or download from the website at <https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/publications/year-12-information>.

Thursday, 23 July ◆

Last date for upload into SIRS

- Withdrawal of enrolment from ATAR courses with a practical examination component for Year 12 students (via ENCOS file).

Friday, 24 July ◆

Due date for upload into SIRS

- Achievements for Year 11 and Year 12 students enrolled in semester courses who have transferred schools between Terms 2 and 3 (via RSCOS file).
Note: this upload is optional for Year 11 and Year 12 students who are continuing their enrolments at the same school.
- EST marks for students for Year 12 General and Foundation courses (via RSEST file).

Friday, 24 July ●

Received by schools/providers

- Enrolment information for VET units of competency for Year 10 and Year 11 students.
- Enrolment information for endorsed programs for Year 10–12 students.
- Last day to apply to sit ATAR course examinations outside Western Australia.

Wednesday, 29 July ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Completed Visual Arts ATAR course practical (production) examination submission categories data form.
- Completed application forms for alternative format ATAR course practical examinations.
- Completed student applications for permission to enrol in a WACE language course in 2021 (for schools commencing the 2021 school year in Term 4 of 2020) for the study of Second, Background and First Language courses in any of the following languages: Chinese, French, German, Indonesian, Italian or Japanese (including non-school candidates wishing to enrol in a Background and/or First Language ATAR course examination).

Friday, 31 July ▲

Transfer of registration and demographic information to Brightpath ★

Friday, 7 August ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Completed the OLNA declaration form.

Friday, 7 August ●

Received by schools/providers

- Information on submission of proposed grade distributions for:
 - Year 12 students enrolled in Year 11 and/or Year 12 ATAR, General and Foundation courses
 - Year 11 students enrolled in Year 12 ATAR courses (Units 3 and 4).

Note: does not apply to VET industry specific courses or Preliminary course units.

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- Media Production and Analysis ATAR course practical production examination data collection and collaborative forms (where applicable only).

Monday, 10 August ◆

Last date for upload into SIRS

- Withdrawal of enrolment from ATAR courses without a practical examination component for Year 12 students (via ENCOS file).
- Withdrawal of enrolment from General, Foundation, Preliminary and VET industry specific courses for Year 12 students (via ENCOS file).

Note:

- the last date for changes to enrolments (except withdrawals) in ATAR, General, Foundation, Preliminary and VET industry specific courses for Year 12 students was Thursday, 2 April
- the last date for withdrawal of enrolment from ATAR courses with a practical examination component for Year 12 students was Thursday, 23 July.

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Wednesday, 12 August ◆

Last date for upload into SIRS

- Update of 2020 registration and demographic information for Year 10–12 students (required for the Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment attendance registers and password generation) (via SRGDG file).

Thursday, 13 August ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- New or updated requests from schools for adjustments (relating to disability and EAL/D) to students' tests for the September round of the OLNA. Details are to be entered into the OLNA dashboard.
 - Final changes for enrolments in VET industry specific course units for Year 11 students (via ENCOS file).
- Due date for upload into SIRS**
- Enrolments in VET units of competency for Year 10 and Year 11 students (via ENVET file).
Note: inclusion of the VET Unique Student Identifier (USI) is optional for enrolments, but a requirement for achievement of VET qualifications and VET units of competency intended for contribution towards the WACE requirements.
 - Enrolments in endorsed programs for Year 10–12 students (via ENEND file).

Monday, 17 August ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Changes to Visual Arts artwork categories.

Monday, 17 August ●

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- Feedback reports for ESTs.

Tuesday, 18 August ●

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- Confirmation of 2020 ATAR course written examination accommodation arrangements.

Friday, 21 August ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Completed Media Production and Analysis ATAR course practical production examination data collection and collaborative forms (where applicable only).

Monday, 24 August ●

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- OLNA student login details.

Friday, 28 August ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Completed student applications for permission to enrol in a WACE language course in 2021 (for schools commencing the 2021 school year in Term 1 of 2021) for the study of Second, Background and First Language courses in any of the following languages: Chinese, French, German, Indonesian, Italian or Japanese (including non-school candidates wishing to enrol in a Background and/or First Language ATAR course examination).

Friday, 28 August ●

Available on the website

- Front covers of the ATAR course examinations.

Received by schools/providers

- Dance and Media Production and Analysis ATAR course written examination stimulus materials.

Monday, 31 August ◆

Last date for upload into SIRS by schools/providers

- Student nominations (via online form) for 2020 VET Awards by 4.30 pm.
Note: late or proforma nominations will not be accepted.

Monday, 31 August ▲

Start of the September round of the OLNA (Year 10–12 students)

Wednesday, 2 September ▲

Finish of the September round of the writing component of the OLNA (Year 10–12 students)

Note: other components finish on Friday, 25 September.

Thursday, 3 September ◆

Last date for upload into SIRS

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Proposed grade distributions for:

- Year 12 students enrolled in Year 11 and/or Year 12 ATAR, General and Foundation courses
- Year 11 students enrolled in Year 12 ATAR courses (Units 3 and 4).

Note: does not apply to VET industry specific courses or Preliminary course units.

Thursday, 10 September ●

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- Personalised examination timetables for the practical and written ATAR course examinations.

Note:

- schools/providers can download timetables from SIRS
- students can access their personalised examination timetables via the Authority's student portal at <https://studentportal.scsa.wa.edu.au>.

Tuesday, 15 September ●

Received by schools/providers

- Practical ATAR course examination submission information for Design, Materials Design and Technology, Media Production and Analysis, Music and Visual Arts.

Thursday, 17 September ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Online completion of all Year 12 student declaration and permission details (relating to the release of personal information, use of schoolwork and examination responses).
Note: each school is able to access in SIRS their students' responses to the release of personal information, the use of schoolwork and examination responses

Wednesday, 23 September ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- French, German and Italian Background Languages personal investigation interview sheet examination submissions.

Date for receipt by the Authority

- Design portfolio practical examination submissions.
- Materials Design and Technology portfolio practical examination submissions.
- Media Production and Analysis production practical examination submissions.
- Music composition portfolio practical examination submissions.
- Visual Arts production practical examination submissions.

Friday, 25 September ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Information on participation and incidents for the September round of the OLNA. Details are to be entered into the OLNA dashboard.

Friday, 25 September ●

Available on the website

- The Unit 3 content on which the EST for each Year 12 General and Foundation course will be based in 2021.

Friday, 25 September ▲

Finish of the September round of the numeracy and reading components of the OLNA (Year 10–12 students)

Saturday, 26 September to Sunday, 4 October ▲

(Saturdays, Sundays and the public holiday included)

ATAR course practical examinations for Aviation, Dance, Drama, Music and Physical Education Studies.

Saturday, 26 September to Sunday, 11 October ▲

(Saturdays, Sundays and the public holiday included)

ATAR course practical examinations for English as an Additional Language or Dialect (for students enrolled at an overseas school).

Saturday, 10 October ▲

ATAR course practical examinations for Chinese: Second Language and Indonesian: Second Language.

Saturday, 10 October and Sunday, 11 October ▲

ATAR course practical examinations for Japanese: Second Language.

Saturday, 10 October to Sunday, 18 October ▲

(Saturdays and Sundays included)

ATAR course practical examinations for English as an Additional Language or Dialect (for students enrolled at a Western Australian school), French: Second Language, French: Background Language, German: Second Language, German: Background Language, Italian: Second Language, Italian: Background Language.

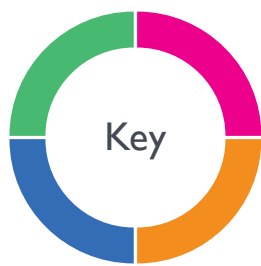
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2020 TERM 4

Monday, 12 October
Friday, 18 December



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See last page for quick reference guide to 2020 WACE requirements.

Monday, 12 October ●

Received by schools/providers

- Information about collecting achievement data for:
 - Year 12 students for courses (ATAR, General, Foundation, Preliminary and VET industry specific), VET qualifications, VET units of competency and endorsed programs
 - non-Year 12 students sitting one or more ATAR course examinations.

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- Authority feedback on proposed grade distributions for:
 - Year 12 students enrolled in Year 11 and/or Year 12 ATAR, General and Foundation courses
 - Year 11 students enrolled in Year 12 ATAR courses (Units 3 and 4).

Note: does not apply to VET industry specific courses or Preliminary course units.

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Monday, 12 October and Tuesday, 13 October ●

Collection by schools/providers

- Visual Arts production examination submissions.

Monday, 12 October ▲

Start of student interviews for the School Curriculum and Standards Authority's 2020 VET Awards.

Wednesday, 14 October ●

Collection by schools/providers

- Design portfolios, Media Production and Analysis productions, Music composition portfolios and Materials Design and Technology portfolios.

Sunday, 18 October ▲

Finish of the ATAR course practical examinations

Monday, 19 October ●

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- Results for the September round of the OLNA.

Tuesday, 20 October ▲

Last date for schools/providers to inform students in writing of their grades and school marks for all courses studied in Year 12.

Thursday, 22 October ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Small group moderation partnership declarations.

Friday, 23 October ▲

Transfer of registration and demographic information to Brightpath ★

Wednesday, 28 October ●

Available to schools/providers in SIRS

- Reports listing achievement data in all ATAR, General, Foundation, Preliminary and VET industry specific courses, VET units of competency, VET qualifications and endorsed programs.

Received by schools/providers

- Information about collecting achievement data for:
 - Year 11 students enrolled in ATAR, General, Foundation, Preliminary and VET industry specific courses
 - Year 10 and Year 11 students studying VET qualifications, VET units of competency and endorsed programs.

Thursday, 29 October ◆

Last date for upload into SIRS

- Year 12 achievement data in all ATAR, General, Foundation and Preliminary courses completed during the year (via RSCOS file).

Note: SIRS automatically allocates an achievement descriptor (completed or unfinished) for VET industry specific course units once full or partial requirements have been met.
- Year 12 achievement data in VET units of competency (via RSVET file).

Note: the VET USI is a requirement for achievement intended for contribution towards the WACE requirements.
- Year 12 achievement data in VET qualifications (via RSQUAL file).

Note: the VET USI is a requirement for achievement intended for contribution towards the WACE requirements.
- Year 12 achievement data in endorsed programs (via RSEND file).
- Achievements for non-Year 12 students enrolled to sit one or more ATAR course examinations (via RSCOS file).

Friday, 30 October ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Student appeals against school assessment in courses studied in Year 12.
- Student appeals against languages enrolment determinations for study in 2021.

Monday, 2 November ▲

Start of the ATAR course written examinations.

Friday, 6 November ●

Received by schools/providers

- Information package for checking Year 12 achievements in ATAR, General, Foundation, Preliminary and VET industry specific courses, VET units of competency, VET qualifications and endorsed programs.
- Year 12 student achievement declaration form.
- Year 12 VET and/or endorsed programs achievement declaration form.

Friday, 13 November ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Year 12 student achievement declaration form.
- Year 12 VET and/or endorsed programs achievement declaration form.

Note: schools must have received written evidence of RTO verification of student VET achievements before signing and submitting the VET and/or endorsed programs achievement declaration form.

Last date for upload into SIRS

- Changes to 2020 Year 12 student achievement data (via RSCOS, RSEND, RSVET and RSQUAL files).

Note: after this date, this SIRS facility will be locked and it will not be possible to upload further changes (except for changes to Year 12 VET achievement data). Changes to Year 12 student VET achievement data can be made up until Tuesday, 24 November.
- Final registration and demographic information for Year 12 students (including total number of community service hours completed, if being reported by the school) (via SRGDG file).

Note: after this date, this SIRS facility will be locked and it will not be possible to upload further changes.

Friday, 20 November ▲

Scheduled finish of the ATAR course written examinations.

Tuesday, 24 November ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Completed sickness/misadventure application forms.

Last date for upload into SIRS

- Changes to 2020 Year 12 student VET achievement data (via RSVET and RSQUAL files).

Note: after this date, this SIRS facility will be locked and it will not be possible to upload further changes.

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Monday, 30 November ▲

- Last date for schools/providers to inform students in writing of their grades and school marks in all courses studied in Year 11.

Tuesday, 1 December ▲

Student interviews for Beazley Medal: VET.

Thursday, 3 December ◆

Due date for upload into SIRS

- Year 11 achievement data for ATAR, General, Foundation and Preliminary courses data (via RSCOS file).
- Year 10 and Year 11 achievement data for VET units of competency, VET qualifications and endorsed programs data (via RSEND, RSVET and RSQUAL files).

Note:

 - SIRS automatically allocates a grade for VET industry specific course units once full or partial requirements have been met
 - the VET USI is a requirement for achievement intended for contribution towards the WACE requirements.
- Final registration and demographic information for Kindergarten–Year 11 students (via SRGDG file).★

Thursday, 10 December ◆

Last date for receipt by the Authority

- Applications seeking permission for Year 8 and Year 9 students to have VET units of competency to be studied in 2021 contribute to their WACE.
- Student appeals against school assessment in courses studied in Year 11 in 2020.

Last date for upload of changes into SIRS

- Final registration and demographic information for Kindergarten–Year 11 students (via SRGDG file).★

Note: after this date, this SIRS facility will be locked and it will not be possible to upload further changes.

Sunday, 20 December ▲

Year 12 students' results available online via the Authority's student portal.

January 2021

Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), ATAR course reports, Western Australian Statement of Student Achievement (WASSA) and award certificates for Year 12 students available online via the Authority's student portal.

Term dates for 2021

Preliminary dates only: to be confirmed. Dates for primary and secondary students (not teachers) in public schools in Western Australia. All dates are inclusive.

Semester 1	
Term 1	Monday, 1 February – Thursday, 1 April
Break	Friday, 2 April – Sunday, 18 April
Term 2	Monday, 19 April – Friday, 2 July
Break	Saturday, 3 July – Sunday, 18 July
Semester 2	
Term 3	Monday, 19 July – Friday, 24 September
Break	Saturday, 25 September – Sunday, 10 October
Term 4	Monday, 11 October – Thursday, 16 December

DECEMBER

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QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

WACE requirements – 2020

Achievement of a WACE signifies that a student has successfully met the requirements for breadth and depth, the achievement standard and the literacy and numeracy standard in their senior secondary schooling.

For 2020, the requirements are:

Breadth and depth requirement

- Completion of a minimum of 20 units, which may include unit equivalents attained through VET and/or endorsed programs. This requirement must include at least: (Explanatory notes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
 - a minimum of 10 Year 12 units, or the equivalent
 - four units from an English learning area course, post-Year 10, including at least one pair of Year 12 units from an English learning area course
 - one pair of Year 12 units from each of List A (arts/languages/social sciences) and List B (mathematics/science/technology).

Achievement standard

- Achievement of at least 14 C grades or higher (or the equivalent) in Year 11 and 12 units, including at least six C grades (or equivalent) in Year 12 units. (Explanatory notes 5 and 6)
- Completion of at least four Year 12 ATAR courses, **or** a Certificate II (or higher) VET qualification. (Explanatory notes 5, 7 and 8)

Literacy and numeracy standard

- Demonstration of the minimum standard of literacy and a minimum standard of numeracy. (Explanatory notes 9 and 10)

For WACE requirements for 2021, see the *WACE Manual 2020*.

Explanatory notes relating to WACE requirements

1. The breadth requirement can be met through ATAR, General and Foundation courses. The depth requirement can be met through ATAR, General, VET industry specific and Foundation courses, VET credit transfer and endorsed programs. The achievement standard can be met through ATAR, General, VET industry specific and Foundation courses.
2. Of the 20 units required for a WACE, up to a maximum of four Year 11 units and four Year 12 units may be awarded as unit equivalents by substituting VET qualifications and/or endorsed programs. A student may choose to study VET qualifications and/or endorsed programs and may substitute using only VET qualifications (up to a total of eight units) **or** using endorsed programs (up to a total of four units) **or** using a combination of VET and endorsed programs (up to a total of eight units but with a maximum of four units with endorsed programs – two in Year 11 and two in Year 12).
3. Students are able to substitute the minimum number of course unit requirements with unit equivalents achieved through the completion of AQF VET qualifications at Certificate I, II, III and higher and/or endorsed programs.
4. Students can repeat units. However, those units that have the same unit code, e.g. AEENG, and are repeated, do not contribute to the WACE requirements more than once. Note: students who complete ATAR Units 3 and 4 prior to Year 12 and sit the examination cannot repeat these units until after they leave school at the completion of Year 12.
5. Students enrolled in a Year 12 ATAR course must sit the external examination in that course. If students do not sit an ATAR course examination and do not have an approved *Sickness/Misadventure Application* for not sitting the examination in that course, the pair of units completed in that year will not contribute towards any of the WACE requirements. Students who do not sit the ATAR course examination will not have a course mark or grade recorded on their WASSA, nor will they receive an ATAR course report. For ATAR courses with practical components, students must complete both the written and practical examinations.
6. Both VET qualifications and endorsed programs can indirectly contribute to the WACE standard requirement of a C grade in at least 14 units. A C grade in a maximum of eight units (four in Year 11 and four in Year 12) can be replaced by unit equivalents from VET qualifications and/or endorsed programs. Of these eight unit equivalents, a maximum of four can be from endorsed programs (two in Year 11 and two in Year 12).
7. In the context of VET in the WACE, the term ‘complete’ requires that a student has been deemed competent in all the units of competency that make up a full qualification.
8. The partial completion of a Certificate III or higher VET qualification may meet this requirement according to predetermined criteria.
9. The literacy and numeracy standard can be met either through the Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment (OLNA) or by achieving Band 8 or higher in the associated components of reading, writing or numeracy in the Year 9 NAPLAN tests. Students undertaking the OLNA will be required to satisfy both the reading and writing components in order to demonstrate the minimum WACE literacy standard.
10. If students do not demonstrate the literacy and numeracy standard by the time they exit secondary school, they can apply to the Authority to re-sit the assessment at any age. Note: the WACE requirements may change over time and students studying towards the achievement of the WACE after they leave school will be required to meet the WACE requirements current at the time of the completion of their studies.

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