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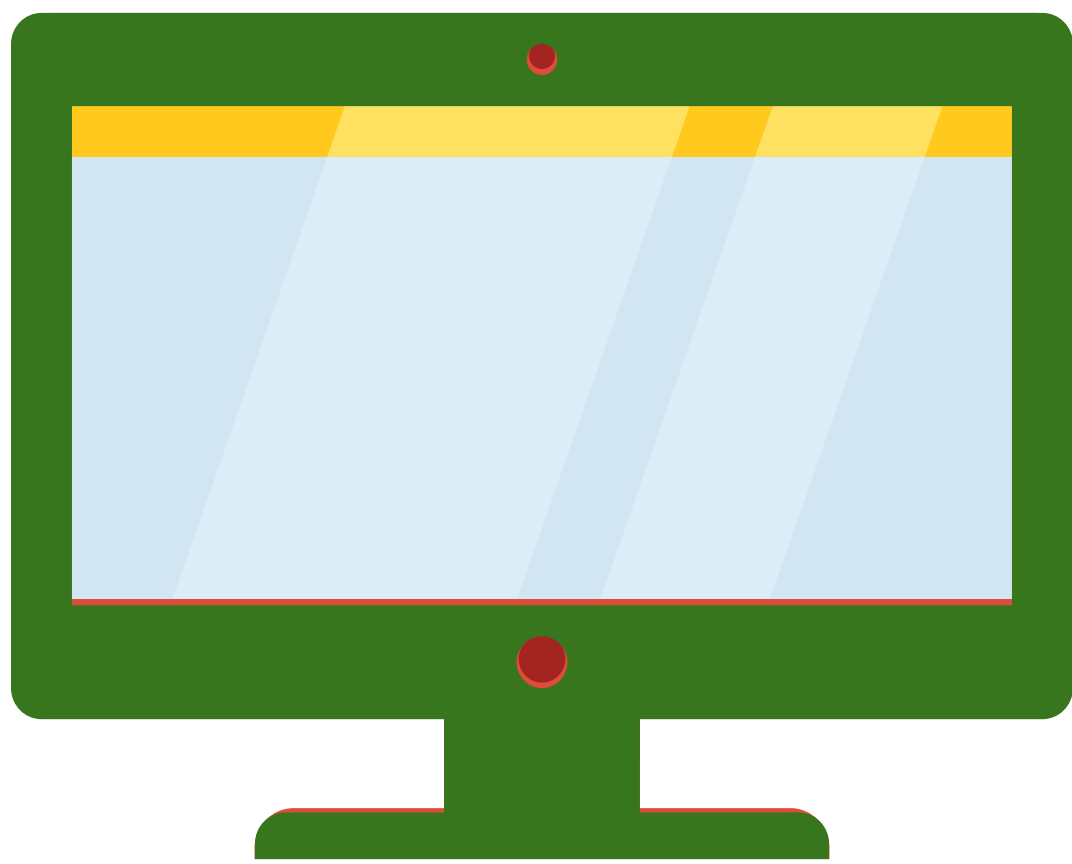
ADVICE FOR YEAR 10 STUDENTS

This year, you will have the first of many opportunities to pass the **minimum standard online tests** to receive your HSC.

THE ONLINE TESTS

To show that you meet the standard, you need to pass 45 minute online tests of basic reading, writing and numeracy **skills needed for everyday tasks**, including:

- ✓ a multiple choice **reading** test

- ✓ a multiple choice **numeracy** test

- ✓ a short **writing** test based on a choice between a visual or written prompt
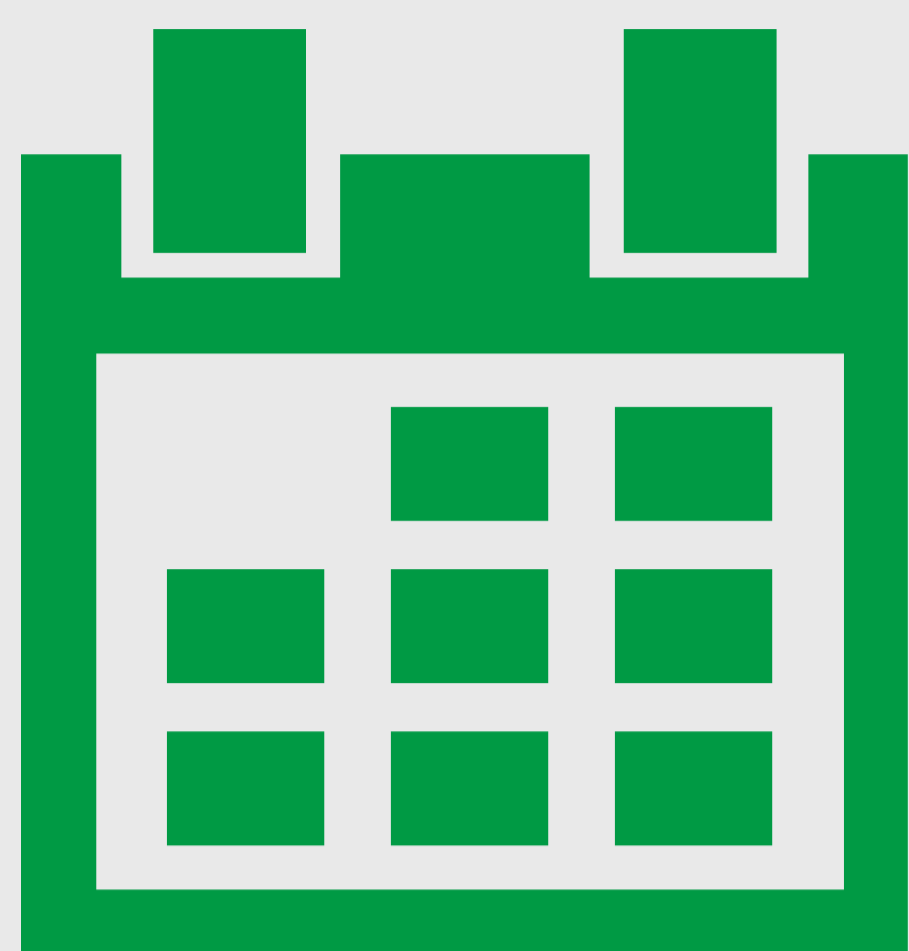
2017 NAPLAN TESTS

If you achieved Band 8s or above in one or more of the 2017 Year 9 NAPLAN tests you are recognised as having met the HSC minimum standard in that area/s and will not need to sit the corresponding online test/s.

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

Don't worry, you don't need to pass the online tests this year. In fact, you get **many opportunities** to pass them, from Year 10 until a few years after Year 12.

Your teachers will help you to decide when you are ready to take the tests, and once you have passed them, you won't need to take them again.

TEST DATES

The online test dates at Concord High School for 2018 are:

- Term 2: 21st May 2018- Numeracy and Reading

- Term 3: August 27- Writing

- Term 4: November 15 &16- Numeracy, Reading and Writing

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WHAT TO EXPECT?

Visit **educationstandards.nesa.nsw.edu.au/HSCminimumstandard** to:

- ✓ try demonstration questions to get a feel for the test format

- ✓ view sample test questions and answers online

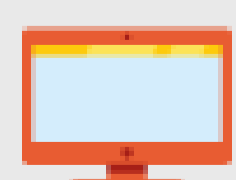- ✓ take short practice tests which your school may organise

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Some students with disabilities will be eligible for extra provisions for the minimum standard online tests, or an exemption from the HSC minimum standard requirement.

You are encouraged to talk to your teachers to determine whether you are eligible for provisions.

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