YEAR 10 PARENTS

OLNA
Online Numeracy and Literacy Assessment
What is ‘graduation’?

The difference in:

• State graduation
## State graduation requirements

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<td>2015</td>
<td>10 subjects across Year 11 and 12</td>
<td>8 C grades on average using 4 Year 12 subjects</td>
<td>Must take English in Year 11 and Year 12</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>5 in Year 11, 5 in Year 12</td>
<td>7 C grades – no averages</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>Can repeat subjects</td>
<td>Must take one List A and one List B in Year 12</td>
<td>Must gain a C grade in an English unit</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>No repeats</td>
<td>Must take one List A and one List B in Year 12</td>
<td>Must achieve OLNA (Writing &amp; Reading)</td>
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| 2015 | Courses described as Stage 1, 2, or 3  
Can take any combination in Year 11 or 12  
Only Stages 2 or 3 lead to an ATAR. No examinations in Stage 1 |
| 2015 | Courses described as General and ATAR. All ATAR courses have an examination at end of Year 12.  
General courses have no external examination. They have externally set tasks that must be completed.  
Specific Year 11 courses and Year 12 courses |
VET qualifications

- Taking a Certificate Course, i.e., a Certificate I, II or III will reduce the number of C grades that must be achieved for graduation.

- Non ATAR students will study General subjects and must achieve at least one Certificate II.
OLNA information

• Several chances to reach the standard.
• We do not know what that standard is.
• The Mathematics and English is ‘essential to everyday life and work in a knowledge based economy’.
• Tests are done on school computers
OLNA information

• There will be practice tests but these are aimed to ensure the IT works rather than to familiarise students with the material. Each student will be given a personalised username and password on the day.

• We will not receive detail on their strengths and weaknesses.

• We are confident that our IT services can cope with the load at our school but not sure across the system.
Our concerns

- The impact on self esteem
- The interruption to the teaching program
- We cannot have copies of the material to assist the students in subsequent tests
Our concerns

• Not sitting the test will mean a student chooses to not graduate and will receive a Statement of subjects they have studied. In effect the tests are compulsory.

• All universities require secondary graduation and other providers are considering their position. There are other ways to enter these institutions by taking preparation courses.
So far

• This information is the most up to date so far. SCSA have indicated that ‘there may be some further fine tuning’

• You can follow any of these by accessing the SCSA website

Schools Curriculum and Standards Authority
http://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/internet/Senior_Senior_Secondary/OLNA
Your questions

You may ask questions now. Staff will also be available to answer queries after the meeting has closed.