

HSC minimum standard

Student pathways

2020 HSC – linked to NAPLAN 2017 results

Student	Action	Eligible for credential
Achieved Band 8 in NAPLAN 2017 in Year 9 in Reading, Writing and Numeracy.	No HSC minimum standard tests required.	HSC ROSA
Did not achieve Band 8 in NAPLAN 2017 in 1, 2 or 3 of the following areas - Reading, Writing and Numeracy.	Students only have to sit the HSC minimum standard online tests for the areas that they did not achieve Band 8 in NAPLAN. Students can have up to 5 years from the start of the HSC to re-sit the minimum standard tests to achieve Level 3 in Reading, Writing and Numeracy. The student then achieves Level 3 in Reading, Writing and Numeracy.	HSC ROSA Minimum Standard Report
Did not achieve Band 8 in NAPLAN 2017 in 1, 2 or 3 of the following areas - Reading, Writing and Numeracy. Does not achieve Level 3 in the HSC minimum standard online tests.	Students only have to sit the HSC minimum standard online tests for the areas that they did not achieve Band 8 in NAPLAN. Students can have up to 5 years from the start of the HSC to re-sit the minimum standard tests to achieve Level 3 in Reading, Writing and Numeracy.	ROSA Minimum Standard Report If studying an ATAR pattern of study students can still receive ATAR and offer to university.
Does not qualify for HSC due to 'N' determination or ineligible pattern of study.	Sits the 3 HSC minimum standard online tests to attain a Minimum Standard Report.	ROSA Minimum Standard Report
Leaves school when 17, before the end of Year 12.	Sits the 3 HSC minimum standard online tests to attain a Minimum Standard Report.	ROSA Minimum Standard Report
Leaves school when 17.	Does not sit any of the HSC minimum standard online tests.	ROSA

HSC – Higher School Certificate.

ROSA – Record of Student Achievement (can be accessed via Students Online).

Minimum Standard Report - Is a report that a student receives once they have completed an online HSC minimum standard test.

2021 HSC and beyond – no longer linked to NAPLAN

All students sit the HSC minimum standard tests

Student	Action	Eligible for credential
Achieves Level 3 in the HSC minimum standard tests (Reading, Writing and Numeracy) before end of Year 12.	Students only have to demonstrate they have met the standard once. Students can choose an ATAR or non ATAR pattern of study in the HSC.	HSC ROSA Minimum Standard Report
Achieves Level 3 in one or two of the HSC minimum standard tests before the end of Year 12.	Students can have up to 5 years from the start of the HSC to sit the 3 HSC minimum standard online tests to achieve Level 3.	ROSA Minimum Standard Report If studying an ATAR pattern of study students can still receive ATAR and offer to university.
Does not qualify for HSC due to 'N' determination or ineligible pattern of study.	Sits the 3 HSC minimum standard online tests to attain a Minimum Standard Report.	ROSA Minimum Standard Report
Leaves school when 17, before the end of Year 12.	Sits the 3 HSC minimum standard online tests to attain a Minimum Standard Report.	ROSA Minimum Standard Report
Leaves school when 17	Does not sit any of the HSC minimum standard online tests.	ROSA

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