



# EXAMINATION RULES AND RESPONSIBILITIES POLICY YEARS 10-12

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## Purpose

Peter Moyes Anglican Community School (the School) is bound by the procedures of the School Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA) which administers assessments, including examinations, in order to ensure that they are valid, educative, explicit, fair and comprehensive.

An examination is a summative assessment used to provide feedback to teachers and students over the course of instruction. The goal of a summative assessment is to gain an understanding of what students know, and what they do not, in order to make responsive changes in teaching and learning.

External examinations provide students and the wider community with confidence about the standards achieved at the end of Year 12. Years 11 and 12 ATAR courses have written examinations, with some having a practical component (performance, oral, portfolio or production). The Year 12 WACE examination markers are unaware of the identity of the examination candidates or from which school they attend.

The School believes that the best way to prepare Year 12 students for their life after secondary schooling is to ensure that all our students experience examinations from Year 10. This includes the schedule of Examination Week(s), learning and writing a paper covering a body of taught instruction, being familiar with the process of examinations and following the practises of examination rules and responsibilities consistent with those experienced in Year 12 WACE Examinations.

Year 12 WACE Examinations form the basis of direct university entrance with ATAR examinations resulting in the calculation of an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR). Year 12 Flexible Pathway students gain direct entrance into TAFE through their successful completion of WACE courses and VET Certificates, as well as gaining indirect university entrance.

SCSA sets graduation requirements for the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), administers and marks examinations for all Year 12 courses. Students and their Parents/Guardians are recommended to see the SCSA website for further information.

## Related Documents

Secondary Assessment and Reporting Policy  
Secondary Assessment and Reporting Guidelines  
Teaching and Learning at PMACS

## Related Links

[SCSA](#)  
[SCSA Rules of Conduct for ATAR Course Examinations](#)  
[SCSA Examinations](#)