

18/03/2022

Dear parent/caregiver,

**RE: NAPLAN ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2022 – Response required**

Each year, students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN is one of many diagnostic tools that help teachers improve your child’s learning program by better meeting their individual needs. It is not graded for assessment and your child’s individual results are strictly confidential.

The information the College receives details the strengths and areas for development of a range of your child’s skills in the areas of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy.

Teachers will work with students to help them become familiar and comfortable with the online testing platform.

**The Process**

This year, for Marden and SOTA students, NAPLAN tests will be completed **on-site at Open Access College and the SOTA Campus.**

**NOTE: SOTA students will sit the tests during SEW at Pt Augusta and Marden Students MUST come to the Marden campus.**

Laptops will be provided, but please bring a set of headphones (spares will be available).

Open Access College Hall  
1-37 Marden Road  
Marden SA 5070

SOTA Campus Studio  
59 Power Cres  
Port Augusta SA 5700

**Marden Campus**  
1-37 Marden Road  
MARDEN SA 5070  
Phone (08) 8309 3500  
Fax (08) 8362 0045  
Toll Free 1800 882 328  
Courier: EAST

**Port Augusta Campus**  
**School of the Air**  
59 Power Crescent  
PORT AUGUSTA SA 5700  
Reception (08) 8642 2077  
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**Government of South Australia**  
Department for Education

<i>NAPLAN Testing Times</i>	<i>Test Schedules</i>	<i>Test Length</i>
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b> (Term 2 Week 3)	10-11am – <b>Writing</b> 11-11.30am Break 11.30 – 12.40 <b>Reading</b>	<b>Writing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3 - <b>40mins</b></li> <li>Year 5, 7 &amp; 9 - <b>42mins</b></li> </ul> <b>Reading</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3 - <b>45mins</b></li> <li>Year 5 - <b>50mins</b></li> <li>Year 7 &amp; 9 - <b>65 mins</b></li> </ul>
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b> (Term 2 Week 3)	10-11am – <b>Language Conventions</b> 11 – 11.30 – Break 11.30 – 12.40 <b>Numeracy</b>	<b>Language Conventions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3, 5, 7 &amp; 9 - <b>45 mins</b></li> </ul> <b>Numeracy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3 - <b>45mins</b></li> <li>Year 5 - <b>50mins</b></li> <li>Year 7 &amp; 9 - <b>65mins</b></li> </ul>

**Participation, Exemption and Withdrawal**

Students may be exempt or withdrawn from NAPLAN. You may choose to exempt your child if they are of non-English speaking background, if they have a significant learning disability and/or significant co-existing condition which severely limits their capacity to participate in the tests (e.g. anxiety). Students may be withdrawn for philosophical and/or religious reasons.

If you believe your child should be exempted or withdrawn from the NAPLAN, you will be asked to fill in a form and return it via email to **student.services@openaccess.edu.au**.

For families who are travelling or living overseas we also require a response to ensure our records are accurate. **NOTE:** NAPLAN is blocked to anyone outside of Australia

If you intend for your child to be **onsite** to sit NAPLAN tests, please inform us via the above email address.

**We ask that all responses are returned by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April (Term 1, Week 11).**

Kind regards,

Jeane Schocroft  
Deputy Principal

Veronika Jeske  
Assistant Principal

Casey Hall  
Assistant Principal

Lai Kuan Lim  
Head of Campus (SOTA)