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Assessment Advice to Students and Parents – HSC (Year 12)

The NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) Board confirmed that the Higher School Certificate (HSC) is going ahead in 2020. They have made no announcement as yet about whether written examinations will still be held.

Ambarvale High School is currently implementing the following adjustments to support students studying for the HSC in 2020:

School Assessment – General Advice

- Assessment scheduled in term 2 will go ahead with some adjustment,
- These adjustments may include,
 - a reduction in the number of tasks,
 - adjustments to increase accessibility while learning remotely increased
 - options for task submission students.
- Written notice of all assessment tasks will be provided to students.

Additional Advice - Practical Tasks Including VET Competencies

(Year 11 - FSK20113 Certificate II Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways)

(Year 12 - SIR30216 Certificate III in Retail Services, SIS20513 Certificate II in Sport Coaching)

- Practical tasks originally scheduled in the last three weeks of Term 1, 2020 may be re-scheduled at a later date, pending further advice from NESA or the continuation of the COVID-19 outbreak.
- To assess practical course outcomes, teachers may use existing evidence collected prior to 24 March 2020 and other indicators of student knowledge and skills.
- VET work placements are cancelled and are no longer a requirement for the HSC.

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Additional Advice - Group Performances

(Year 11 – Music 1)

(Year 12 – Drama, Music 1)

- All *group* performance tasks are cancelled.
- This includes HSC Drama Group Devised and associated tasks.
- Music 1 Major Performance can still be done in a group as long as social distancing measures are in place.

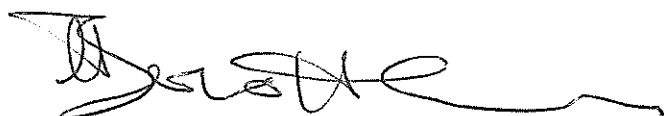
Additional Advice - Major Works

(Year 11 & 12 – Industrial Technology and Visual Arts)

- NESAs will be issuing updated advice in the next week regarding major works adjustments or changes to course mandatory components. We will update students when this information is released.
- Year 12 students are to continue working on major works, projects, folio and/or industry case studies, including completing working drawings, as appropriate to each course.
- Timelines for projects and documents in folios or journals will be maintained in accordance with the current assessment schedule.
- Students working on their major works or projects at home should maintain sufficient evidence to support that the work is their own for certification purposes.
- Students (with parental permission) are encouraged to organise a time to access face to face support from their teachers, including access to workshops, tools, machinery or equipment, as per course or project requirements.

For up to date advice about the 2020 HSC visit the NESAs COVID-19 advice page:

<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/about/news/novel-coronavirus>



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