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Dear Year 10 Parents and Carers

I am emailing to let you know that during week 7 of this term, Year 10 students will be participating in HSC minimum standards testing.

Testing will occur as a part of the package of planned activities for that week.

### **What is HSC minimum standards testing?**

Passing the Minimum Standards tests is a requirement for all NSW students who wish to receive an HSC testamur. Students need to achieve a minimum level in a series of short online reading, writing and numeracy tests of skills for everyday life. Many schools conduct this testing towards the end of Year 10.

Students who do not pass on their first attempt will be provided with additional support by teaching staff and will have another opportunity to do the tests early next year (students get up to four retest opportunities per year). To put this into perspective, in NSW last year, less than 1% of students ultimately failed to meet the minimum standards for the HSC.

### **Preparation and support**

The day prior to their tests, students will receive training and be given an opportunity to practice each type of test.

### **More information**

For more information, please see the attached flyer or this weblink: [HSC minimum standard | NSW Education Standards](#).

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions at: [tanderson@stedwards.nsw.edu.au](mailto:tanderson@stedwards.nsw.edu.au).

Warm regards

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