

Coffs Harbour Senior College
TIMETABLE for
HSC Trial Examinations 2025

	Start Time Day	MORNING EXAM (Start 9:10 am)	AFTERNOON EXAM (Start 1:15 pm)	NESA External Hand In Dates
Week 4 Exams in MPC - CHEC Gymnasium (except if marked * below)	Monday 11 th August	English Advanced Paper 1 -1h 40min (85) English Standard Paper 1 - 1h 40min (112) English Studies – 2h 40min (42)	Music 2 – 1h 35min (5)	
	Tuesday 12 th August	English Advanced Paper 2 - 2h 5min (85) English Standard Paper 2 - 2h 5min (112)	Music 1 –1h 5min (26)	
	Wednesday 13 th August	Geography – 3h 05min (12) CAFS – 3h 05min (19) Food Technology – 3h 05min (13)	Hospitality – 2h 05min (30) Science Extension – 2h 10min (4)	
	Thursday 14 th August	Modern History – 3h 05min (31) Investigating Science – 3h 05min (15)		Industrial Technology (Timber & Multimedia) Major Projects
	Friday 15 th August	Biology – 3h 05min (47) Enterprise Computing- (online)(9) Room A1 6- 2h 20mins		
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Week 5 Exams in MPC - CHEC Gymnasium (except if marked * below)	Monday 18 th August	Chemistry – 3h 05min (20) Society & Culture – 2h 05min (32)	Business Services – 2h 05min (16) Software Engineering –(online)(12) Room A1 6- 2h 20mins	Textile & Design Major Projects Dance Major Work will be marked at some point in this week.
	Tuesday 19 th August	Maths Advanced – 3h 10min (48) Maths Standard 1 – 2h 10min (14) Maths Standard 2 – 2h 40min (80)	Entertainment – 2h 05min (18) Construction – 2h 05min (7)	
	Wednesday 20 th August	Ancient History – 3h 05min (37) IT – Multimedia – 1h 35min (11) IT – Timber – 1h 35min (14)	Visual Arts – 1h 35min (46)	
	Thursday 21 st August	Legal Studies – 3h 05min (34) Earth & Environmental Science – 3h 05min (15)	Retail Services – 2h 05min (11) Maths Extension 1 – 2h 10min (19)	
	Friday 22 nd August	Economics – 3h 05min (13) Engineering Studies – 3h 05min (21) Textiles & Design – 1h 30min (13)		English Extension 2 Major Works
	Start Time Day	MORNING EXAM (Start 9:10 am)	AFTERNOON EXAM (Start 1:15 pm)	NESA External Hand In Dates
Week 6 Exams in MPC - CHEC Gymnasium (except if marked * below)	Monday 25 th August	Business Studies – 3h 05min (40) History Extension – 2h 10min (12)	Design & Technology – 1h 35min (12)	
	Tuesday 26 th August	French Beginners – 2h 05min (7) PDHPE – 3h 05mins (57)	* French Beginners – Speaking/Listening - 1h (7) Start 12:30 See Teacher for details	
	Wednesday 27 th August	Physics – 3h 05min (34) Drama – 1h 35min (31) Music 1 & 2 – Practical Exams – D Theatre See Mel/Tina for details. Catch up Exams venue TBA.	Music 1 & 2 – Practical Exams – D Theatre See Mel/Tina for details	
	Thursday 28 th August	Maths Extension 2 – 3h 10min (10) Aboriginal Studies – 3h 05min (14) English Extension 1 – 2h 10min (14) Music 1 & 2 – Practical Exams – D Theatre See Mel/Tina for details. Catch up Exams venue TBA.	Catch up Exams venue TBA. Music 1 & 2 – Practical Exams – D Theatre See Mel/Tina for details	Design & Technology Major Projects
	Friday 29 th August	* Music 1 & 2 – Practical Exams – D Theatre See Mel/Tina for details. Catch up Exams venue TBA.	Catch up Exams venue TBA.	

Disability provisions exams are in A.1.22/23 for the three weeks of the assessment period.

Any enquiry concerning these examinations may be directed to Scott Griffiths in B.1.13 or by email scott.griffiths@det.nsw.edu.au



Information for EXAMINATION CANDIDATES

- **Normal lessons will cease over the exam period.** Some lessons continue to operate for Pathways students. It is also anticipated that TAFE-delivered classes will operate as usual.
- An examination timetable is supplied – students can note their own exam schedule by underlining or highlighting the names of courses studied.
- Students enrolled in Pathways or TAFE courses are required to attend these classes or negotiate leave with the class teacher when an exam is on at the same time. Otherwise, examination candidates are required to attend College only at times of scheduled exams for their courses.
- Attendance slips are filled in at the start of each examination.
- **Students require their CHSC Student ID card.** This is to be placed on the desk at the commencement of the exam.
- **Any student who considers he/she may qualify for disability provisions for exams (see Assessment Handbook) must first make application through the Disability provisions officer (Vicki Greer).** Disability provisions examinations will need to be checked ahead on your individual schedule.
- **All candidates will be provided with paper in all exams.** You are **NOT** to bring any paper into the exam room. Answers are to be written on only one side of each page (an essay plan/draft/outline or rough working may be written on the back of a page). Generally, candidates are to supply all other equipment including a stapler (see attached sample HSC Equipment List).
- A list of scientific calculators approved by the Board can be found at www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au and displayed outside C.1.19
- Borrowing is not permitted during any examination.
- **Students are to be ready to enter 5-10 minutes prior to the advertised starting time** but are to stay outside the exam room until called in by a supervisor.
- No food is to be consumed in the exam room, unless granted under a disability provision – water will be available at the front or may be taken to a table if brought in a **clear plastic water bottle with label removed.**
- **Mobile telephones and electronic organisers should not be brought to college exams.** If they are, they are to be switched off and left in student's bag at the student's own risk.
- Bags are to be placed inside the exam room along a wall.
- **All equipment is to be carried by hand or in a clear plastic sleeve** – no folders, pencil cases, glasses cases nor other containers are allowed in the exam room. **Drink bottles must be transparent and without labels.**
- An attendance slip, the exam paper, writing paper and answer book cover sheets (if applicable) will be on each table.
- Candidates are to write their student number on question papers, answer book covers, and all writing pages used (numbering these pages is also advisable).
- The start/finish times and other details will be written up on the board at front – a clock will be visible in the exam room. **Candidates who bring their own watch are required to place it in clear view on their exam table.**
- **Talking is not permitted while any examination is in progress** – candidates must remain quietly seated throughout unless given permission to move by a supervisor.
- All questions are to be directed to a supervisor by raising a hand.
- Any form of cheating or malpractice will not be tolerated and may result in a zero score for that exam – at most, only one warning will be given to any student not following these (or a supervisor's) instructions.
- There will be 5 minutes' reading time before the commencement of all examinations (10 minutes for some courses) – **no writing or highlighting may be undertaken during reading time.**
- Prior to the "Time has expired, cease writing, sit quietly" instruction, papers are to be stapled together as required, and left face up on the table in readiness for collection of papers before students leave.
- All question papers and answer books will be collected and returned together after marking. Label each page used with your student number and staple together behind cover(s) supplied (or behind the question paper if no answer book cover is supplied) – hand in all paper written on, including any essay plan/draft/outline and or rough working.
- **No student may leave any college or HSC examination early before time has expired** – so use all the available time effectively.
- **Any student who misses an exam must contact Scott Griffiths immediately** and complete an Illness Misadventure form within 48 hours of your return to school. You will be allocated an alternative exam time as soon as practicable, and depending on your reasons may be either allocated the full marks that you achieved or awarded a mark of 2% to indicate you have sat the exam.
- Any enquiry concerning these examinations may be directed to Scott Griffiths located in B.1.13



Exam equipment list

[nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/exam-equipment-list](https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/exam-equipment-list)

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Students are expected to bring only approved equipment into the Higher School Certificate (HSC) exam room. Find out what equipment is permitted for your exam.

HSC Study Guide

Find practical information and advice from past students, teachers and professionals, to help you achieve your best in the HSC.

Read the 2024 HSC Study Guide (<https://www.smh.com.au/hscstudyguide2024>)

The 2025 HSC Study Guide will be available Monday, 28 July.

On this page

- **Equipment in exams**
- **What you cannot bring into the exam room**
- **Equipment for specific HSC exams**

Equipment in exams

When you enter the HSC exam room, you are expected to bring approved equipment with you, such as:

- black pens to write with (recommended) – make sure you bring spare pens to each exam
- ruler
- highlighters
- pencils (at least 2B)
- sharpener
- water in a clear, unlabelled bottle.

You can wear a watch, but it should be taken off and placed in clear view on your desk once you sit down for your exam. Programmable watches (for example smart watches) are **not permitted** in the exam room.

All equipment you bring to your exam may be inspected. Make sure any equipment you are allowed to bring, such as a **calculator (<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators>)**, is in good working order.

Appeals under misadventure for equipment failure will not be upheld.

What you cannot bring into the exam room

Students are not allowed to bring the following into the exam room:

- **mobile phones** (not permitted in an exam room under any circumstance)
- **programmable watches** (for example, smart watches)
- **other electronic devices** (excluding a calculator or wired headphones where permitted), any other communication devices, including:
 - organisers
 - tablets
 - wireless earphones and headphones
 - electronic dictionaries
 - music players.
- **paper or any printed or written material** (you can ask your presiding officer for working paper)
- **print dictionaries** (except where permitted in language exams)
- **correction fluid.**

Students are not allowed to borrow equipment during exams.

Equipment for specific HSC exams

The following list shows the exams and the specific equipment you should bring.

- There may be questions in these exams that require the use of the equipment.
- 'Optional' in this list means that there won't be exam questions for which the item is essential, but you may bring the item with you if you want.
- Only those exams that require specific equipment are listed.

See the list of **approved calculators for the HSC examinations** (<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators>).

Exam	Equipment
Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>NESA approved calculator</u> (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)• pencil

Exam	Equipment
Automotive (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Biology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u> • pencil
Business Services (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Business Studies	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Chemistry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u> • pencil
Construction (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Earth and Environmental Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u> • pair of compasses • pencil • protractor • set squares
Economics	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>

Exam	Equipment
Electrotechnology (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Engineering Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u> • pair of compasses • pencil • protractor • set squares • circle templates • isometric/ellipse templates
Enterprise Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a supported device (desktop or laptop) with the NESA lockdown browser pre-installed • full battery life to last the entire exam (for laptops) • wired headphones (no Bluetooth allowed) to listen to audio stimulus for questions • a wired or wireless physical keyboard • a mouse <p>For more information see <u>Online HSC exams (https://curriculum.nsw.edu.au/assessment-and-reporting/online-hsc-exams)</u>.</p>
Entertainment Industry (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Financial Services (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>

Exam	Equipment
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u> • pair of dividers • pair of compasses • protractor • coloured pencils and/or coloured felt pens • ruler • (optional) a hand-held magnifying glass • (optional) a piece of string or thread for measuring
Hospitality (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Human Services (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Industrial Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u> • pair of compasses • pencil • protractor • set squares
Information and Digital Technology (VET)	<u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u>
Investigating Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u> • pencil

Exam	Equipment
Languages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unannotated monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries are permitted in the HSC external examination for all Modern languages courses and Latin. This includes Beginners, Continuers, Extension, [Language] in Context and [Language] and Literature courses. Bilingual print dictionaries of any language combination are permitted. Dictionaries are not permitted in Classical Greek or Classical Hebrew exams. Specialist dictionaries such as grammar dictionaries, dictionaries of idioms or syllabary dictionaries are not permitted. Digital dictionaries are not permitted.
Mathematics Standard 1, Mathematics Standard 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators) ruler
Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators) ruler
Physics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators) pencil
Primary Industries (VET)	NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)
Retail Services (VET)	NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)

Exam	Equipment
Science Extension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u> • a supported device (desktop or laptop) with the NESA lockdown browser pre-installed • full battery life to last the entire exam (for laptops) • wired headphones (no Bluetooth allowed) to listen to audio stimulus for questions • a wired or wireless physical keyboard • a mouse <p>For more information see <u>Science Extension online exam (https://www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/porta/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/stage-6-science/science-extension-syllabus/online-exam)</u>.</p>
Software Engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a supported device (desktop or laptop) with the NESA lockdown browser pre-installed • full battery life to last the entire exam (for laptops) • wired headphones (no Bluetooth allowed) to listen to audio stimulus for questions • a wired or wireless physical keyboard • a mouse <p>For more information see <u>Online HSC exams (https://curriculum.nsw.edu.au/assessment-and-reporting/online-hsc-exams)</u>.</p>
Tourism, Travel and Events (VET)	<p><u>NESA approved calculator (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)</u></p>



Approved calculators

[nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators](https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/approved-calculators)

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Only calculators approved by NESA can be used in HSC exams. Find the full list of the approved calculators and the approval process for calculator suppliers.

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Calculators in exams

To ensure the fairness and integrity of HSC exams, NESA publishes a list of approved scientific calculators. Approved calculators can only be used in the HSC exams listed on the [exam equipment list page \(https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/exam-equipment-list\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/rules-and-procedures/exam-equipment-list).

Candidates must be familiar with a calculator's operation before the exam.

Instructions on how to operate a calculator, such as booklets or reference cards are not permitted in exam rooms.

Calculators must be switched off and reset before entering the exam room.

The following calculators are approved for HSC exams.

Brand	Product
Abacus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SX-II MATRIX a• SX-II MATRIX n
Canon	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• F717SGA• F-715SG• F-730SX

Brand	Product
Casio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fx-82AU • fx-82AU PLUS • fx-82AU PLUS II 1st or 2nd Edition • fx-8200AU • fx-85MS • fx-100AU • fx-100AU PLUS 1st or 2nd Edition • fx-350MS
Hewlett-Packard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HP10S • HP10S+ • HP300S+ • HP 10sII
Jastek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JasCS1 • JasCS EVO • JasCS2 EVO
RSB	FB 350MS
Scholar	SC-250MX
Sharp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EL-531TH • EL-531THB-GR • EL-531THB-WH • EL-531VH • EL-531WH • EL-531X • EL-531XH • EL-W531HA • EL-W532TH • EL-W532THB-WH • EL-W532XH
Texas Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TI-30XB MultiView • TI-30X Plus MathPrint

Approved accessible calculators

Students with low vision or vision impairment can use the approved accessible calculators listed below.

Students who are unable to use the approved accessible calculators in the list below, may apply to use an appropriate alternative (including the Desmos $\sqrt[3]{27}$ – Scientific Calculator App) through NESA’s HSC **Disability Provisions** (<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/disability-provisions>) program.

Brand	Product
SciPlus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SciPlus – 2200• SciPlus – 2300*• SciPlus – 3300*
Texas Instruments	Orion TI-30XS Multiview*

* Students wishing to use the calculator’s speech output function must apply through NESA’s HSC **Disability Provisions** (<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/disability-provisions>) program.

Features of approved calculators

Prohibited calculator features

NESA's calculator approval process

NESA invites calculator suppliers to submit product for assessment and inclusion on the approved calculators list.

Calculators previously approved by NESA will not need to be resubmitted by suppliers for approval.

The phases below detail the process for assessing and approving calculator products.

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Phase 1: Call for submissions
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Phase 2: Review, recommendations and endorsement
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Phase 3: Approval
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Phase 4: Communications
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Appealing a decision

NESA follows the process to appeal a decision under the **Administrative Decisions Review Act 1997** (<https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/view/html/inforce/current/act-1997-076>).

Appeal submission

If a calculator supplier wants to appeal the decision, they must submit the appeal through NESA within 14 days of receiving the calculator approval decision letter.

The appeal must state the reason why the decision is considered unacceptable, making reference to the evidence supplied in the original application. The appeal must include new supportive evidence.

Internal review

NESA will conduct an internal review and make a decision within 21 days. This review will be conducted by someone who:

- is suitably qualified
- was not substantially involved in the process of making the decision under review.

The outcome of the appeal and reasons for the decision will be sent to the calculator supplier.

More information

For more information on the addition or removal of calculators from NESA's approved list email calculators@nesa.nsw.edu.au (<mailto:calculators@nesa.nsw.edu.au>).