Year 12 QCS Practice sessions 2019

Year 12 students sitting the QCS Test later this year will complete two practice sessions (morning and afternoon) on February 15th 2019. *Please note that this represents a change from the date published in the College Calendar and Student Record Books.*

In the morning session (8.30-11am), students will complete a Writing Task QCS sub-test; in the afternoon session (11:50 -2.10pm) students will complete the Short Response sub-test. Dismissal will be around 2.45pm.

These sessions will allow students to become acquainted with the demands of the sub-tests, and mark the start of a preparation programme that extends through the year. The preparation is conducted in timetabled Access lessons.

Other important dates are:

June 5th & 6th: Trial QCS Test

Sept 3rd & 4th: QCS Test

More information relating to the full QCS Test trial in June and the QCS Test itself will be published later. The Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) distribute printed material with information, advice and tips, that will reach students soon.

For the practice sessions on February 15th, students will need to equip themselves with items that are required for the sub-tests. The equipment allowed is <u>not</u> the same for every paper. Students should only take to each session the equipment permitted. E.g. No ruler will be taken into the Writing Task. Permissible calculators will be detailed by QCAA later this year: for the practice students are requested to use a regular scientific calculator.

Permitted equipment is given below:

Test session	Permitted		Not permitted
	Essential	Optional	
Writing Task	Pens (black ink)	Pencils	
		Pencil sharpener	
		Eraser	
		Correcting fluid/tape	
		Highlighter	
		Transparent container	
		to carry equipment	
		Water in a plain	Own paper
		container	Dictionary
			Thesaurus
Short Response	Pens (black ink)	Pencil sharpener	Electronic devices
	Pencils	Correcting fluid/tape	Any other items
	Eraser	Highlighter	
	Ruler	Transparent container	
	Protractor	to carry equipment	
	Drawing compass	Water in a plain	
	Coloured pencils (red	container	
	yellow, blue, green)		
	Calculator*		