

## STRONGER HSC STANDARDS

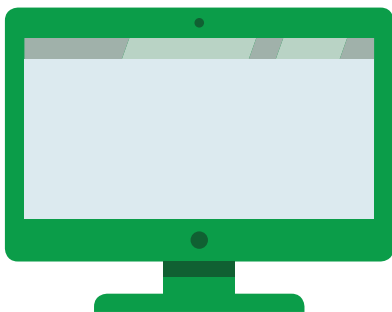
# MINIMUM LITERACY AND NUMERACY STANDARD

### Set for success in day-to-day life

The minimum standard is set at a level of literacy and numeracy needed to do things like:

- ✓ follow operating instructions in equipment manuals
- ✓ interpret routine tables, graphs and charts
- ✓ write a job application

## ONLINE LITERACY AND NUMERACY TESTS



Students will need to pass online reading, writing and numeracy tests to demonstrate achievement of the minimum standard.

From 2018, these tests will be available for students to sit at least twice a year in:

- ✓ Year 10
- ✓ Year 11
- ✓ Year 12
- ✓ for up to 5 years after starting the HSC

# TIMELINE

## 2017

Courses and support material for Year 9 and 10 students who are identified at risk of not demonstrating the minimum numeracy standard by the end of Year 10 published

Consultation on exemption policy

Minimum standard rules and guidelines published

Online reading, writing and numeracy tests piloted

Schools Online and Students Online websites updated

## 2018

First Year 10 students sit online reading, writing and numeracy tests

## 2020

First HSC students required to meet minimum standard



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



From 2020, students need to demonstrate a minimum literacy and numeracy standard to be eligible for the HSC



There will be multiple opportunities to pass online reading, writing and numeracy tests before and after the HSC



Early identification and support for students most at risk of not achieving the minimum standard is available under the NSW Literacy and Numeracy Strategy



Students with Band 8 or above Year 9 NAPLAN results in reading, writing and numeracy will prequalify for the minimum standard



Some students, including those studying Life Skills courses, will not need to meet the minimum standard to be awarded the HSC

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