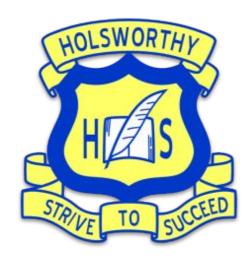
Holsworthy High School

Assessment Policy Booklet



Year 12 | 2026

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WELCOME TO YEAR 12

At Holsworthy High School, Assessment is an important part of learning that supports each student's growth and success. We believe in fostering an environment where all students are **respectful learners** who value feedback and the efforts of others, **active learners** who engage fully in their learning journey, and **safe learners** who feel confident to take risks, ask questions, and learn from mistakes. Our assessment practices are fair, consistent, and designed to help every student achieve their best.

ASSESSMENT IN THE HSC

Assessment is based on mandatory weightings and components as set out in the syllabuses for each HSC course being studied. For courses developed by the NSW Education Standards Authority (excluding VET and Life Skills), results are based on:

- An **examination mark** from the HSC external examination.
- An **assessment mark** submitted by the school (in accordance with the NSW Education Standards Authority requirements).

The Higher School Certificate issued to students will show both the examination mark and the assessment mark. The **combination of these two marks** will then be plotted on a performance scale which uses bands to describe the standard of achievement which is reached by a typical student with that mark.

SCHOOL BASED ASSESSMENT

School assessment tasks measure students' achievements across a variety of outcomes and in different types of activities.

In designing an assessment program for a particular subject, the teacher must take into account the components of the course set out in the syllabus and the weighting that each component must be given. This information is provided with each of the assessment schedules listed in this booklet.

The **final assessment marks** for each course should **reflect the rank** order of students and the **relative differences** between student achievements. These marks are then adjusted by the NSW Education Standards Authority in a process called **moderation**. It is the **moderated assessment mark** which is reported on the HSC Testamur. Students must also be able to provide a record of their learning for both assessment tasks and coursework.

- · Students will be assessed between Week 3, Term 4, 2024 and the end of Week 8, Term 3, 2025.
- · Each student will receive an Assessment Handbook outlining their obligations in each course.
- · Students will be given feedback on their assessment tasks and a cumulative ranking will be provided on their end of semester reports.
- · Teachers will keep marks in a central faculty record.
- Teachers and Head Teachers will counsel students who are at risk of not satisfactorily completing the HSC Course and notify their parents/guardians in time to rectify the concern

Students who undertake **compulsory work placement** or work experience should not be disadvantaged. If the student has sufficient time prior to commencing work placement the task can be submitted early or handed in by another person on the due date. It is the student's responsibility to notify their Teacher and Head Teacher once they are aware that they will be on work placement when the task is due. A new date may be set by the Head Teacher which should be recorded on Sentral.

COMPLETION OF NON-ASSESSABLE TASKS

There is a requirement that students must complete a course of study "Satisfactorily". This means that the Principal must be satisfied the student has completed each of the courses they have undertaken. Students are expected to make a reasonable attempt at all tasks.

Students will need to maintain and provide a record of their learning for each subject documenting a diligent and substantial effort.

LIFE SKILLS

Evidence of achievement of outcomes is gathered through ongoing assessment. There is no requirement for formal assessment of Life Skills outcomes. Life Skills outcomes and content will be assessed on the student's achievement of selected outcomes and parents/carers are always able to discuss the status of their child in courses with the Head Teacher.

VET COURSES

Assessment in VET courses is competency based. This means that the student needs to demonstrate that they have gained, and can apply, the specific knowledge and skills for the unit of competency to be deemed competent in that unit. Students may elect to undertake the optional written HSC examination. Work placement is a mandatory HSC requirement of each VET course. For each course, a minimum number of 35 hours per year are required in the workplace.

VET COMPETENCY DESCRIPTORS

Evidence of achievement of outcomes is gathered through ongoing assessment. There is no requirement for formal assessment of Life Skills outcomes. Life Skills outcomes and content will be assessed on the student's achievement of selected outcomes and parents/carers are always able to discuss the status of their child in courses with the Head Teacher.

NE SA Outcome	NCVER Outcome	Explanation (source: AVETMISS Data Elements definitions, Edition 2.2 April 2013)
Achieved	Competency achieved / pass	Student has been assessed and satisfies all the requirements for the unit of competency
Not Achieved	Competency not achieved / fail	Student has attempted all requirements for the assessment and has been assessed as not competent in one or more of the requirements of the competency
Continuing	Continuing enrolment	The student has engaged in learning activity, but has not completed all the training and assessment criteria by the end of the collection period
Withdrawn	Withdrawn / discontinued	(a) The student has engaged in some learning activity, then notified the RTO of their withdrawal before completing all of the assessment criteria (b) The student has engaged in some learning activity then stopped attending or submitting assessments without notifying the RTO
RPL	Recognition of Prior Learning Granted	The student has been assessed and RPL has been granted
Credit Transfer	Credit transfer / National Recognition	The student can supply evidence of the same or an equivalent competency, and credit transfer is awarded. This is used where there is no delivery of training or assessment of the student's knowledge.
Did Not Start	NIL	Student was enrolled in the unit of competency, but no training or assessment occurred. WILL NOT BE REPORTED OR APPEAR ON THE USI

YEARS 10 TO 12 ASSESSMENT PROCESS

ASSESSMENT TASK ISSUE

- A minimum of TWO weeks' notice should be given for all assessment tasks.
- Tasks will include detailed marking criteria where appropriate.
- Tasks will be issued to students electronically or in hard copy.
- Teachers will provide work samples where appropriate.
- The assessment will begin in class and class time will be allocated to work on the task where appropriate.
- Tasks should not be issued within TWO weeks of exams.

ASSESSMENT TASK SUBMISSION

- Students will submit tasks on the due date and time. Electronic submission will be by 11.59pm on that day unless otherwise indicated in the assessment notification.
- Students will be provided with constructive feedback in a timely manner.

NON SUBMISSION OF TASK

- Teachers will issue a first N Warning.
- Teachers will inform the parent and student the requirement for resolution and the supports available.
- A record of the N Warning and parent contact will be saved on SENTRAL.



STUDENT FAILS TO RESOLVE THE TASK WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF 1ST WARNING

ISSUE 2ND WARNING

- Teachers will issue a second N Warning. The N Warning will contain any previous N Warning information for the subject.
- The Faculty Head Teacher will inform the parent and student of the requirement for resolution and the supports available.
- A record of the N Warning and parent contact will be saved on SENTRAL.

STUDENT RESOLVES THE TASK

REFERRAL TO YEAR ADVISER AND DEPUTY

- Supports coordinated.
- Determination paperwork at key dates.
- Issue of N Determination as required.

ISSUE OF FURTHER WARNING LETTERS

- Teachers will issue a subsequent N Warnings.
- The N Warning will contain any previous N Warning information for the subject.
- The Faculty Head Teacher will inform the parent and student the requirement for resolution and the supports available.
- A record of N Warning and parent contact will be saved on SENTRAL.

SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF YEAR 12

NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) Requirements Satisfactory completion of Higher School Certificate courses requires students to meet course completion criteria as well as assessment completion criteria.

A student will be considered to have satisfactorily completed a course if, in the principal's view, there is sufficient evidence that the student has:

- a) followed the course developed or endorsed by NESA
- b) and applied themselves with diligence and sustained effort to the set tasks and experiences provided in the course by the school
- c) and achieved some or all of the course outcomes.

To satisfactorily complete a Higher School Certificate course, students must follow NESA course requirements and:

- Have gained the Record of School Achievement (ROSA) or equivalent.
- Have attended 85% of the available school days.
- Complete all the requirements of the course such as class work, homework, examinations, assessment tasks, including work placement for VET courses.
- Satisfactorily complete NESA Minimum Standards in numeracy, reading and writing at level 3 or 4.
- Students are directed to the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) website for further information http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/home

N WARNINGS

If a student is not meeting the course requirements or fails to complete an assessment task by the due date they are given what is termed a non-completion warning letter. A copy of the N Warning letter is issued to the student and posted home, the letter outlines:

- Any issues of concern or outstanding work.
- The date by which students should redeem the outcomes of the missed work.
- If a student is to be given a non-completion ('N') determination because of failure to complete tasks which contribute in excess of 50 percent of the final assessment marks in that course, the principal will inform NESA.

N DETERMINATIONS

Students who fail to satisfy minimum requirements will be receive an N Determination. This means they have **failed the course**, and it will not count toward the HSC (students must complete at least 10 units). This (usually) means the student will not receive the HSC during the year.

REFERENCING

Taking or copying from other sources, including AI, and presenting it as your work is plagiarism. Students must use APA referencing to acknowledge sources unless otherwise instructed by the teacher issuing the assessment.

Students can access referencing information at <u>Holsworthy High School Referencing Guide</u> and watch a brief referencing instructional video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=itLfYxa9Thw.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance at all timetabled lessons is an important step to fulfilling course requirements. The Principal may decide that a student's attendance has made it impossible for course outcomes to be achieved. The NSW Education Standards Authority suggests that absences greater than 15% make it difficult to satisfactorily complete a course.

Students may also be deemed not to have satisfactorily completed a course if there is sufficient evidence of:

- a) failure to complete experiences specified in the syllabus e.g. fieldwork, oral presentations, assignments, practical work, participation in class
- b) non-serious or trivial preparation for exams

Students are required to be **active and diligent learners**. Failure to complete tasks means that they are not diligent.

TECHNOLOGY AND ASSESSMENTS

Technology failure is not a valid reason for failure to submit an assessment task on time. Students should:

- Save their work, failure to back up your work is not a valid reason for misadventure.
- Check all tasks which are to be submitted electronically well before the due date to ensure that data can be accessed at school.
- Save a copy of the final version of your task to an email address that can be accessed at school (such as your student.fantastic@education.nsw.gov.au email account).

A student presenting work produced via computer or submitting work online who experiences computer/technology difficulties or printer failure must follow these procedures by applying for Illness/Misadventure on the date the task was due by completing an Illness/Misadventure Form presenting it to the Head Teacher of that subject before school along with documentary evidence, such as a note from home.

If a student chooses or is required to prepare and produce work with the use of technology, it is their responsibility to ensure backups and hard copies are made well in advance of the due date of the assessment task. Program and software compatibility are also potential problems and need to be considered in advance. Malfunctions of computer technology, even theft, without evidence of 'work in progress' are NOT valid reasons for the late submission of an assessment task.

ABSENCES DUE TO ILLNESS/MISADVENTURE

It is essential that students ensure that they are present for and complete all assessment tasks. If a student is absent on the day of an assessment task, they must contact the school to explain the absence, and then provide the school with an Illness / Misadventure Form they day they return.

- An illness claim MUST be supported by a medical certificate dated at the time of the illness specifying the nature of the illness. If a student is still away sick on days after the due date, the medical certificate must cover all days of illness NOT just the day of the task.
- Holidays/travel are NOT a valid excuse for missing an assessment task/exam OR for requesting an alternate date for the task/exam. This includes asking to sit a task/exam early to accommodate a holiday.
- Technological malfunctions are not automatically considered a valid excuse. (Please refer to notes on 'Technology Problems').
- If a task is submitted after the due date and time and the student has not submitted the appropriate documentation, then the student will be awarded zero for the task.

APPLYING FOR AN EXTENSION

If a student has prior knowledge if a circumstance that will impact their ability to submit a task on the due date or attend an in-class task, test or examination, they must complete an Illness/Misadventure Form. This form MUST be submitted BEFORE the assessment task due date. The decision will be communicated to the student.

LATE SUBMISSION/NON-SERIOUS ATTEMPTS OF ASSESSMENT TASKS

Late submission of a task without approved reason from the Head Teacher, via the Illness/Misadventure Form in Years 11 & 12 will result in a zero mark.

Failure to submit or complete an assessment task will result in a N Warning letter and a zero mark for the task. Students will be required to still submit a missed task or complete an equivalent alternative task in order to resolve the N Warning letter and meet the requirements for satisfactory completion of the course. Feedback on the task will be given to the student.

A non-serious attempt is considered as failing to submit a reasonable attempt at a task. This may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Inappropriate written content submitted as part of a task.
- Inappropriate behaviour during an examination
- Failure to complete significant sections of an assessment (e.g. only attempting the multiple choice and not attempting extended response questions). The Head Teacher of a subject and Deputy Principal will determine whether a task is a non-serious attempt. In the case of a non-serious attempt an N Warning letter will be issued and the student will be awarded a zero mark.

HONESTY, INTEGRITY AND MALPRACTICE

All work presented in coursework, assessment tasks and external examinations (including submitted works and practical examinations) must be a student's own or must be acknowledged appropriately. Students are encouraged to be **active** and **safe** learners.

Malpractice, including plagiarism, could lead to students receiving zero marks and will jeopardise their Higher School Certificate results. Malpractice is any activity that allows students to gain an unfair advantage over other students. It includes, but is not limited to:

- copying someone else's work in part or in whole, and presenting it as their own
- using material directly from the internet, books and journals without reference to the source
- building on the ideas of another person without reference to the source
- buying, stealing or borrowing another person's work and presenting it as their own
- submitting work to which another person, such as a parent, coach or subject expert, has contributed substantially
- using words, ideas, designs or the workmanship of others in practical and performance tasks without appropriate acknowledgement
- paying someone to write or prepare material
- breaching school examination rules
- using non-approved aids during an assessment task
- contriving false explanations to explain work not handed in by the due date
- assisting another student to engage in malpractice
- The use of artificial intelligence technologies to generate or complete work is considered collusion and is a breach of NESA regulations.

In the case of suspected plagiarism, students will be required to provide evidence that all unacknowledged work is entirely their own. Such evidence might include but is not limited to the student:

- providing evidence of and explaining the process of their work, which might include diaries, journals
 or notes, working plans or sketches, and progressive drafts to show the development of their ideas
- answering questions regarding the assessment task, examination or submitted work under investigation, to demonstrate their knowledge, understanding and skills.

The Head Teacher and Deputy Principal of a subject will make the final determination to record a mark of zero. An N Warning letter will be issued and the student will be required to re-attempt the task or complete an alternative task.

A Year 12 student guilty of suspected malpractice will have their name recorded on the NESA Register of Malpractice for HSC assessment tasks and a N Warning letter will be issued.

APPEALS

Students have the right to ask their teacher for feedback at the time a task is returned but cannot appeal against the teacher's judgement. If a student believes their result in an assessment task is unfair due to late submission, illness/ misadventure, or an allegation of malpractice, they may request a review.

Individual Assessment Tasks

Step 1 – Subject Head Teacher

- The student must first speak with the Head Teacher of the subject.
- The Head Teacher may award a zero, allow the task to be completed, set an alternate task, or provide an estimate mark.

Step 2 - Assessment Review Panel

- If the student is not satisfied with the Head Teacher's decision, they may lodge a written appeal (using the Misadventure Form) within one week of being notified.
- Grounds for appeal are:
 - exceptional circumstances outside the student's control, or
 - o inconsistency in the school's assessment policy/procedures.
- A Review Panel will meet within two weeks, and the student may attend with a support person.
- The student will be notified in writing of the outcome.

Final Assessment and Ranks

After the HSC exams, students may ask about their final school assessment rank in each course. Students cannot appeal a teacher's judgement or marks on individual tasks but may request a review of their rank order if they believe that:

- the weightings used were not those specified by NESA
- the school did not follow its published assessment policy, or
- a clerical or computational error occurred.

The school will investigate by reviewing records and report its findings to the student.

If a student believes the school's review process was not properly followed, they may appeal to NESA (see <u>ACE Manual</u> on the <u>NESA website</u>).

COMMUNICATIONS WITH OUR SCHOOL

Holsworthy High School values strong partnerships between families and the school. We encourage open and supportive communication to create a positive learning environment. For more information, please see the <u>School Community Charter</u>, which outlines the roles of parents, carers and school staff.

You can contact the school by:

- Phone calling the Administration Office
- In person visiting the Administration Office
- **Email** please include the teacher's name in the subject line

Year 12 students will also have access to Google Classroom and the Holsworthy High Sentral Portal, where important information such as reports, notices, newsletters, and Parent Teacher Night bookings will be shared.

POSITION	MATTERS THEY DEAL WITH
Classroom Teachers	First contact for anything pertaining to that individual subject. This may include class work, homework, assignments or a specific incident that occurred in that classroom.
Head Teachers of Each Subject Area	If a parent/carer has worked with their child's classroom teacher and feels that their needs should be further addressed. If a parent/carer would like to share some positive experiences that are happening in the classroom or at home in relation to that topic.
Learning and Support Staff	If a parent/carer feels that their child needs some support in the classroom due to diverse learning needs.
Year Advisor	Can assist with matters that are occurring outside of the classroom and with wellbeing concerns. If a parent would like to share some positive experiences that are happening at school or at home in relation to their child.
Head Teacher Wellbeing	Can assist with matters that are occurring outside the classroom and with wellbeing concerns that are serious in nature. Can also assist with serious ongoing medical condition notifications.
Deputy Principal	To be notified directly with serious concerns that a parent/carer feels cannot be dealt with by other staff at the school. If a parent would like to share some positive experiences that are happening at school or at home in relation to their child.
Principal	To be notified directly with serious concerns that a parent/carer feels cannot be dealt with by the Deputy Principal. If a parent/carer would like to share some positive experiences that are happening at school or at home in relation to their child.

NESA GLOSSARY OF KEY TERMS

Syllabus outcomes, objectives, performance bands and examination questions have key words that state what students are expected to be able to do. The NESA <u>Glossary of Key Words</u> has been developed to help provide a common language and consistent meaning in the Higher School Certificate documents.

Using the glossary will help teachers and students understand what is expected in responses to examinations and assessment tasks.

KEY TERM	DEFINITION			
Analyse	Identify components and the relationship between them; draw out and relate implications.			
Apply	Use, utilise, employ in a particular situation.			
Appreciate	Make a judgement about the value of.			
Assess	Make a judgement of value, quality, outcomes, results or size.			
Calculate	Ascertain/determine from given facts, figures or information.			
Clarify	Make clear or plain.			
Classify	Arrange or include in classes/categories.			
Compare	Show how things are similar or different.			
Construct	Make; build; put together items or arguments.			
Contrast	Show how things are different or opposite.			
Critically (analyse / evaluate)	Add a degree or level of accuracy, depth, knowledge and understanding, logic, questioning, reflection and quality to (analyse/evaluate).			
Deduce	Draw conclusions.			
Define	State meaning and identify essential qualities.			
Demonstrate	Show by example.			
Describe	Provide characteristics and features.			

Discuss	Identify issues and provide points for and/or against.
Distinguish	Recognise or note/indicate as being distinct or different from; to note differences between.
Evaluate	Make a judgement based on criteria; determine the value of.
Examine	Inquire into.
Explain	Relate cause and effect; make the relationships between things evident; provide why and/or how.
Extract	Choose relevant and/or appropriate details.
Extrapolate	Infer from what is known.
Identify	Recognise and name.
Interpret	Draw meaning from.
Investigate	Plan, inquire into and draw conclusions about.
Justify	Support an argument or conclusion.
Outline	Sketch in general terms; indicate the main features.
Predict	Suggest what may happen based on available information.
Propose	Put forward (for example a point of view, idea, argument, suggestion) for consideration or action.
Recall	Present remembered ideas, facts or experiences.
Recommend	Provide reasons in favour.
Recount	Retell a series of events.
Summarise	Express, concisely, the relevant details.
Synthesise	Putting together various elements to make a whole.

HOLSWORTHY HIGH SCHOOL HSC ASSESSMENT

Illness / Misadventure Form

Student:	
Course:	
Assessment Task (missed, late, performance affected)	
Value of Task for HSC Assessment%	
Why are you asking for consideration?	
Date://20	
(signed)	

* attach all supporting evidence (e.g. doctor's certificate, death notice, written statement, etc)

SUBMIT THIS COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR YEAR ADVISOR

ANCIENT HISTORY

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 9	Term 1, Week 7	Term 2, Week 8	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Extended Response	Half Yearly Exam	Source analysis	Trial HSC Exam
		Historical Period:	Personality:	Core: Cities of	All topics
		New Kingdom Egypt	Hatshepsut & Historical Period NKE	Vesuvius	
Communication					
of historical	20%	10%			
understanding					
Historical inquiry	20%	10%	10%	10%	
and research	2070	10/0	1070	1070	
Source-based	20%			15%	5%
skills	2070			1370	370
Knowledge and	40%		15%		25%
understanding	70/0		13/0		23/0
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	25%	30%

BIOLOGY

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 1, Week 2	Term 1, Weeks 9/10	Term 3, Week 1	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Depth Study	Half Yearly	Practical Report	Trial HSC Exam
		Module 7/8	Module 7/8	Module 6	All topics
Knowledge and understanding	40%	5%	15%	0%	20%
Skills in Working Scientifically	60%	25%	5%	20%	10%
TOTAL	100%	30%	20%	20%	30%

BUSINESS STUDIES

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 8	Term 1 Week 9	Term 2, Week 8	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Half Yearly Exam	Topic Test	Marketing Plan	Trial HSC Exam
		Operations	Finance	Marketing	All topics
Knowledge and understanding	40%	5%	10%	5%	20%
Stimulus based skills	20%		5%	10%	5%
Inquiry and researc h	20%	10%	5%	5%	
Communicati on of business information, ideas and issues	20%	5 %	5%	5%	5%
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	25%	30%

CHEMISTRY

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 1, Week 4	Term 1, Weeks 9/10	Term 3, Week 1	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Depth Study	Half Yearly	Practical Report	Trial HSC Exam
		Module 6	All topics covered	Module 7	All topics covered
Knowledge and understanding	40%	5%	15%	0%	20%
Skills in Working Scientifically	60%	25%	5%	20%	10%
TOTAL	100%	30%	20%	20%	30%

COMMUNITY AND FAMILY STUDIES (CAFS)

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 10	Term 1, Week 9/10	Term 2, Week 9	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Individual Research Project	Half Yearly Exam	Case Study	Trial HSC Exam
		Research Methodology	Research Methodology & Groups in Context	Social Impact of Technology	All topics
Knowledge and understanding	40%	5%	10%	10%	15%
Skills and application of content	60%	15%	15%	15%	15%
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	25%	30%

ENGINEERING STUDIES

Components	Weighting %	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
(as per Syllabus)		Term 4, Week 8	Term 1, Weeks 9/10	Term 2, Week 7	Term 3, Weeks 5/6
		Engineering Report/Practical (Module 1)	Half Yearly Exam	Engineering Report (Module 5)	Trial HSC Examination
Scope of the Profession Knowledge of Engineering Principles	60%	10%	15%	15%	20%
Communication Skills	10%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Understanding the Impacts of Engineering Management and Problem Solving	20%	5%	5%	5%	5%
The Application of Engineering Methodology	10%	2%	3%	3%	2%
TOTALS	100%	20%	25%	25%	30%

ENGLISH - ADVANCED

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 9	Term 1, Week 9-10	Term 2, Week 6	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Texts and Human Experiences Multimodal	Half Yearly Exam Module A: Textual	Module C: Craft of	Trial HSC Exam
		presentation and related material	Conversations Writing		
Knowledge and understanding of course content	50%	10%	15%	10%	15%
Skills in responding to texts and communication of ideas appropriate to audience, purpose and context across all modes	50%	10%	10%	15%	15%
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	25%	30%

ENGLISH - EXTENSION

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3
		Term 1, Week 9 -10	Term 2, Week 8	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Imaginative response and reflection Half Yearly Exam	Critical response with related text	Trial HSC Exam
Knowledge and understanding of complex texts and of how and why they are valued.	50%	15%	20%	15%
Skills in complex analysis,c omposition and investigation.	50%	15%	20%	15%
TOTAL	100%	30%	40%	30%

ENGLISH - STANDARD

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 9	Term 1, Week 9-10	Term 2, Week 6	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Texts and Human Experiences Multimodal presentation and related material	Module A: Language, Identity and Culture Half Yearly Exam	Module C: Craft of Writing	Trial HSC Exam
Knowledge and understanding of course content.	50%	10%	15%	10%	15%
Skills in responding to texts and communication of ideas appropriate to audience, purpose and content across all modes.	50%	10%	10%	15%	15%
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	25%	30%

ENGLISH STUDIES

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 9	Term 1, Week 9-10	Term 2, Week 9	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Multimodal presentation and related material Texts and Human Experiences	Half Yearly Exam Module 1	Collection of Classwork. All Modules	Trial HSC Exam
Knowledge and understanding of course content	50%	15%	10%	15%	10%
Skills in: Comprehending texts Communicating ideas Using language accurately, appropriately and effectively	50%	10%	15%	15%	10%
TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	30%	20%

GEOGRAPHY

Component	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 9	Term 1, Week 8	Term 3, Week 1	Term 3 Week, 5/6
			Extended		
			Responses		
		Fieldwork Report	(including	In -class activity	Trial HSC Exam
			structured		
			response) Rural and Urban	Ecosystems and	
			Places /	Global	
		Rural and Urban	Ecosystems and	Biodiversity /	All topics
		Places	Global	Global	
			Biodiversity	Sustainability	
Knowledge and understanding	40%		15%	10%	15%
Geographical tools and skills	20%	5%		5%	10%
Geographical inquiry and research, including fieldwork	20%	20%			
Communication of geographical information, ideas and issues	20%	5%	5%	5%	5%
TOTAL	100%	30%	20%	20%	30%

HEALTH AND MOVEMENT SCIENCE (HMS)

Component	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 9-10	Term 1, Week 10	Term 2, Week 9-10	Term 3, Week 5-6
		Australian Healthcare System	Half Yearly Exam	Depth Study	Trial HSC Exam
		Focus Area 1 Health in an Australian & Global Context	Focus Area 1 & Focus Area 2	Focus Area 2 Training for Improved Performance	Focus Area 1 & Focus Area 2
Knowledge and understanding	40%	10%	5%	15%	10%
Critical thinking, research, analysis and communicating	60%	10%	15%	15%	20%
TOTAL	100%	20%	20%	30%	30%

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY – TIMBER PRODUCTS AND FURNITURE TECHNOLOGIES

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 4	Term 1 Weeks 9/10	Term 2, Week 10	Term 3, Weeks 5/6
		Project Proposal Presentation	Half Yearly Exam	Project Management	Trial HSC Exam
Knowledge and understanding of the organisation and management of, and manufacturing processes and techniques used by, the focus area industry	40%	5%	20%	5%	10%
Knowledge, skills and understanding in the designing, managing, problem solving, communicating the safe use of manufacturing processes and techniques through the design of a quality major project	60%	10%	N/A	30%	20%
TOTAL	100%	15%	20%	35%	30%

LEGAL STUDIES

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 7	Term 1 Week 8	Term 2, Week 7	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Media	Half Yearly	Research	Trial HSC Exam
		Analysis/Essay	Exam	Essay	IIIdi H3C EXdiii
		Crime	Human Rights	Family	All topics
Knowledge and understanding of course content	40%	10%	10%	10%	10%
Analysis and evaluation	20%	10%			10%
Inquiry and research	20%	5%	5%	10%	
Communication of Legal Studies information, issues and ideas	20%		10%		10%
TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	20%	30%

MATHEMATICS ADVANCED

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 8	Term 1, Week 9	Term 2, Week 6	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Sighted Task	Half-Yearly Exam	Open-book exam	Trial HSC Exam
		Sequences and	All topics	Statistics,	All topics
		series		Correlation and regression	
Concepts, skills	50%	15%	10%	10%	15%
and techniques					
Reasoning and	50%	10%	15%	10%	15%
communication					
TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	20%	30%

^{*}Note: Up to 20% of the internal assessment mark submitted for the Mathematics course may be based on the Preliminary Mathematics course.

MATHEMATICS EXTENSION 1

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 8	Term 1, Week 9	Term 2, Week 6	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Sighted task	Half-yearly Exam	Open-book exam	Trial HSC Exam
		Vectors	All topics	Binomial distributions, Further integration	All topics
Concepts, skills and techniques	50%	15%	10%	10%	15%
Reasoning and communication	50%	10%	15%	10%	15%
TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	20%	30%

MATHEMATICS EXTENSION 2

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 8	Term 1, Week 9	Term 2, Week 6	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Sighted task	Half-yearly Exam	Open-book exam	Trial HSC Exam
		Complex Numbers	All topics	Further integration	All topics
Concepts, skills and techniques	50%	10%	15%	10%	15%
Reasoning and communication	50%	10%	10%	15%	15%
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	25%	30%

MATHEMATICS STANDARD 1

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 8	Term1, Week 9	Term 2, Week 6	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Sighted Task	Half-yearly Exam	In-class Open- Book Test	Trial HSC Exam
		Investing money, What's my share	All topics	Applying rates, Finding the right path	All topics
Concepts, skills and techniques	50%	15%	10%	10%	15%
Reasoning and communication	50%	10%	15%	10%	15%
TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	20%	30%

MATHEMATICS STANDARD 2

Components	Components Weighting		Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
			Term1, Week 9	Term 2, Week 6	Term 3, Week 5/6
			Half-yearly Exam	In-class exam Open-book	Trial HSC Exam
		Driving Safely, Interest and Depreciation	All topics	Networks	All topics
Concepts, skills and techniques	50%	15%	10%	10%	15%
Reasoning and communication	50%	10%	15%	10%	15%
TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	20%	30%

MODERN HISTORY

Components Weighting		Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4 Week 8	Term 1 Week 6	Term 2, Week 7	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Source based Task	Half Yearly Exam	Source analysis/ Extended Writing	Trial HSC Exam
		Core Topic: Power and Authority in the Modern	National Studies and Core Topic	Peace and Conflict: Conflict in Europe	All topics
Knowledge and understanding of course content	40%	5%	10%	10%	15%
Historical inquiry and research	20%	5%		15%	
Source-based skills: analysis, synthesis and evaluation of historical information	20%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Communication of historical understanding	20%	5%	5%		10%
TOTAL	100%	20%	20%	30%	30%

PHYSICS

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
	Term 1, Week 2		Term 1, Weeks 9/10	Term 3, Week 1	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Depth Study	Half Yearly	Research Task	Trial HSC Exam
		Module 5	Module 6	Module 7/8	All topics
Knowledge and understanding	40%	5%	15%	0%	20%
Skills in Working Scientifically	60%	25%	5%	20%	10%
TOTAL	100%	30%	20%	20%	30%

SOCIETY AND CULTURE

Components	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	PIP	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 7	Term 1	Term 1, Week 4	Term 2, Week 6	Term 3, Week 5/6
			Week 9-10	Term 2, Week 3		
				Term 3, Week 1		
		Article Analysis / Structured Essay	Half Yearly Exam	PIP	Viva Voce	Trial HSC Exam
		Core topic Social and Cultural Continuity and Change	Core and Popular Culture	Monitoring process	PIP	All topics
Knowledge and understanding	50%	10%	10%		10%	20%
Application and evaluation of social and cultural research methods	30%	10%			10%	10%
Communication of information, ideas and issues	20%	5%	10%		5%	
TOTAL	100%	25%	20%		25%	30%

SPORT LIFESTYLE AND RECREATION (SLR)

Component	nent Weighting Task		Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4, Week 9/10	Term 1, Week 10	Term 2, Week 9/10	Term 3, Week 5/6
		Report	Half Yearly Exam	In-Class Task	Trial HSC Exam
		Aquatics	Fitness and Aquatics	First Aid & Sports Injuries	All Topics
Knowledge and understanding	40%	10%	5%	15%	10%
Skills	60%	10%	15%	15%	20%
TOTAL	OTAL 100% 20%		20%	30%	30%

VISUAL ARTS

Component	Weighting	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
		Term 4; Week 8	Term 1, Week 8	Term 3, Week 2	Term 3, Week 5/6
Outcomes Assessed		Part A = H1, H3, H5 Part B = H7, H8, H9	Part A = H1, H3, H5 Part B = H10	H5, H6	H7, H8, H9
Art Making H1: practice H2: Conceptual framework H3: Frames H4: Representation H5: Conceptual Strength and Meaning H6: Resolution	50%	Development of the body of work, artmaking process as documented in Visual Arts Process Diary	Progress of Body of work, artmaking process as documented in Visual Arts Process Diary	Body of Work Near resolution	Trial HSC Written Examination
		Part A = 10%	Part A = 10%	= 30%	
Art Criticism and Art History	50%	Artists practice research	Half Yearly Exam		
		Part B = 10%	Part B = 15%		= 25%
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	30%	25%

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STAGE 6 SCHOOL DELIVERED VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING (VET) COURSES

Stage 6 Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses are offered as part of the Higher School Certificate (HSC). VET courses are designed to deliver workplace specific skills and knowledge and cover a wide range of careers and industries. VET courses for secondary students are developed by NSW Educational Standards Authority (NESA) and are based on national training packages.

Stage 6 VET courses allow students to gain a HSC or and a national qualification or statement of attainment as part of the Australian Qualification Framework (AQF). These qualifications are widely recognised by industry, employers, tertiary training providers and universities and will assist students to progress to various education and training sectors and employment.

NSW Department of Education RTO is accredited to deliver and assess VET qualifications to secondary students. It is mandatory for all students studying a VET course to create a Unique Student Identifier (USI) upon enrolment. Students will require a form of identification for the creation of the USI. Examples include a Medicare Card, Australian Birth Certificate, Driver's License or a valid Passport.

Assessment in all VET courses is competency based. The student is assessed on what they can do (skills) and what they know (knowledge) to equip them for the workplace. Students are either deemed "competent" or "not competent" by the teacher. Students who achieve competency will possess the skills and knowledge to perform workplace activities across various situations and environments, meeting industry standards

Assessment materials are designed to give each learner the opportunity to meet the qualification outcomes. Students will receive documentation that lists all competencies they have achieved.

Board Developed Industry Curriculum Framework (ICF) courses usually count for 4 units of HSC credit, include 70 hours of mandatory work placement, and have an optional HSC examination. For a VET course to be included in the calculation for the ATAR, students must sit the HSC Examination.

Board Endorsed Courses (BECs) are courses based on national industry Training Packages endorsed by NESA. They do not count towards the ATAR and there is no HSC examination.

Work Placement

Many VET courses have a mandatory work placement requirement set by NESA. Students will:

- gain insights into the kind of career they would like to have.
- make informed decisions about further training and study.
- become more employable.
- be better equipped for business and employment opportunities.

There are other VET opportunities including:

Externally delivered Vocational Education and Training (EVET)

Information and courses available are listed here:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/career-and-study-pathways/skills-at-school/external-vet-courses Talk to your school Careers Adviser about how to access EVET.

School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships (SBAT) Information about SBATs is available here:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/career-and-study-pathways/school-based-apprenticeships-and-traineeships For further information about how to access an SBAT opportunity please speak with your Careers Adviser.

Students are encouraged to speak with the VET Coordinator, VET Teacher, Year Adviser, or Careers Adviser before selecting a course. This will ensure they understand the requirements and that the course aligns with their individual needs, knowledge, and skills

COMPETENCY DESCRIPTORS

NE SA Outcome	NCVER Outcome	Explanation (source: AVETMISS Data Elements definitions, Edition 2.2 April 2013)
Achieved	Competency achieved / pass	Student has been assessed and satisfies all the requirements for the unit of competency
Not Achieved	Competency not achieved / fail	Student has attempted all requirements for the assessment and has been assessed as not competent in one or more of the requirements of the competency
Continuing	Continuing enrolment	The student has engaged in learning activity, but has not completed all the training and assessment criteria by the end of the collection period
Withdrawn	Withdrawn / discontinued	 (a) The student has engaged in some learning activity, then notified the RTO of their withdrawal before completing all of the assessment criteria (b) The student has engaged in some learning activity then stopped attending or submitting assessments without notifying the RTO
RPL	Recognition of Prior Learning Granted	The student has been assessed and RPL has been granted
Credit Transfer	Credit transfer / National Recognition	The student can supply evidence of the same or an equivalent competency, and credit transfer is awarded. This is used where there is no delivery of training or assessment of the student's knowledge.
Did Not Start	NIL	Student was enrolled in the unit of competency, but no training or assessment occurred. WILL NOT BE REPORTED OR APPEAR ON THE USI

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Qualification: CPC20220 Certificate II in Construction Pathways (Release 6) & Statement of Attainment towards CPC20120 Certificate II in

Construction (Release 3) Cohort 2025 - 2026

Training Package CPC Construction, Plumbing and Services Training Package

School Name: Holsworthy High School

Brick and Block Laying Assessment Schedule Year 11 - 2025

	Assessment Tasks for		Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4	Preliminary Yearly
CPC20220 Certificate II in Construction Pathways (Release 6) & Statement of Attainment towards CPC20120 Certificate II in Construction (Release 3)			White card	Tools and equipment	Work safe Completed	Working it out Completed	Week 9-10 Term 3
Ongoing assessment of skills and knowledge is collected throughout the course and forms part of the evidence of competence of students. *Task 2 completion may be carried over to HSC year		Completed	Completed				
Code	Unit of Competency	HSC Examinable					
CPCWHS1001	Prepare to work safely in the construction industry		x		ĺ		
CPCCCA2002	Use carpentry tools and equipment			x			
CPCCCM2005	Use construction tools and equipment	1		x			
CPCCCA2011	Handle carpentry materials			x	Ç.1		
CPCCWHS2001	Apply WHS requirements, policies, and procedures in the construction industry	~			×		
CPCCCM1011	Undertake basic estimation and costing					×	
CPCCOM1015	Carry out measurements and calculations	1		a la	Ú	x	

Depending on the achievement of units of competency, the possible qualification at completion of Year 11 is a Statement of Attainment toward CPC20220 Certificate II in Construction Pathways (Release 6) & Statement of Attainment towards CPC20120 Certificate II in Construction (Release 3).

For students sitting the optional HSC exam, an estimated mark is required. This mark is to be an estimate of likely performance in the HSC examination and will reflect each student's achievement of tasks similar to the HSC examination, such as a trial HSC examination.

The assessment components in this course are competency based. Students must demonstrate they have gained the knowledge and skills of each unit of competency, to industry standards. Competency assessment is graded as "not yet competent" or "competent". In some cases, other descriptive words may be used leading up to "competent".

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Cohort 2025 - 2026

Training Package CPC Construction, Plumbing and Services Training Package

School Name: Holsworthy High School

Brick and Block Laying Assessment Schedule Year 12 - 2026

	Assessment Task for		Task 5	Task 6	Task 7	Half Yearly	TRIAL EXAM
CPC20220 Certificate II in Construction Pathways (Release 6) & Statement of Attainment towards CPC20120 Certificate II in Construction (Release 3			Brick and Blocklaying	Project planning	Group project	Exam	
Ongoing assessment of skills and knowledge is collected throughout the course and forms part of the evidence of competence of students			Week (1-10) Term 4 -	Week (1-6) Term 1 -	Term 1 (week 7-10)	Week 9-10	Week 5-6
			2025	2026	2026	10	Term's
Code	Unit Name	HSC Examinable					
CPCCBL2001	Handle and prepare bricklaying and blocklaying materials		×				
CPCCBL2002	Use bricklaying and blocklaying tools and equipment		×				
CPCCOM2001	Read and interpret plans and specifications	1		X			
CPCCOM1013	Plan and organise work	1		X			
CPCCVE1011	Undertake a basic construction project				x		
CPCCOM1012	Work effectively and sustainably in the Construction Industry	~			×		

Depending on the achievement of units of competency, the possible qualification outcome is a CPC20220 Certificate II in Construction Pathways (Release 6) & Statement of Attainment towards CPC20120 Certificate II in Construction (Release 3).

For students sitting the optional HSC exam, an estimated mark is required. This mark is to be an estimate of likely performance in the HSC examination and will reflect each student's achievement of tasks similar to the HSC examination, such as a trial HSC examination.

The assessment components in this course are competency based. Students must demonstrate they have gained the knowledge and skills of each unit of competency, to industry standards. Competency assessment is graded as "not yet competent" or "competent'. In some cases, other descriptive words may be used leading up to "competent".

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Hospitality

Qualification: SIT20322 Certificate II in Hospitality

Cohort 2025 - 2026

Training Package SIT Tourism, Travel and Hospitality

School Name: Holsworthy High School

Assessment Schedule Year 11 - 2025

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Assessment Tasks for SIT20322 Certificate II in Hospitality Ongoing assessment of skills and knowledge is collected throughout the course and forms part of the evidence of competence of students.			Task 1 Safety in the kitchen Completed	Task 2 Service please Completed	
Code	Unit of Competency	HSC Examinable			
SITXWHS005	Participate in safe work practices	×	X		
SITXFSA005	Use hygienic practices for food safety	×	x		
SITXFSA006	Participate in safe food handling practices	X	x		
SITHCCC025	Prepare and present sandwiches		x		
SITXCCS011	Interact with customers	x		×	
SITXCOM007	Show social and cultural sensitivity			X	

Preliminary Yearly Exam				
Week 9-10)			
Term 3				

Depending on the achievement of units of competency, the possible qualification at completion of Year 11 is a Statement of Attainment toward SIT20322 Certificate II in Hospitality.

For students sitting the optional HSC exam, an estimated mark is required. This mark is to be an estimate of likely performance in the HSC examination and will reflect each student's achievement of tasks similar to the HSC examination, such as a trial HSC examination.

The assessment components in this course are competency based. Students must demonstrate they have gained the knowledge and skills of each unit of competency, to industry standards. Competency assessment is graded as "not yet competent" or "competent". In some cases, other descriptive words may be used leading up to "competent".

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Hospitality

Qualification: SIT20322 Certificate II in Hospitality

Cohort 2025 - 2026

Training Package SIT Tourism, Travel and Hospitality

School Name: Holsworthy High School

Assessment Schedule Year 12 - 2026

	Assessment Task for		Task 3	Task 4	Mid-year Exam	TRIAL EXAM
Ongoing assess	sment of skills and knowledge is collected throu	The hospitality industry	Working in the industry	~		
forms part of the evidence of competence of students			Week 6 T3 – 10 T1	Week 6 T3 (2025) – Week 6 T3 (2026)	Week 9-10	Week 5-6
			Term 3(2025) – Term 1(2026)	Term 3 2025 -3 2026	Term 1	Term 3
Code	Unit Name	HSC Examinable	7	Date		
SITHIND006	Source and use information on the hospitality industry	0	×			
SITHFAB024	Prepare and serve non-alcoholic beverages	х		x		
SITHFAB025	Prepare and serve espresso coffee	×		×		
SITHFAB027	Serve food and beverages	×		x		
BSBTWK201	Work effectively with others			x		
SITHIND007	Use hospitality skills others			x		

Depending on the achievement of units of competency, the possible qualification outcome is a SIT20322 Certificate II in Hospitality.

For students sitting the optional HSC exam, an estimated mark is required. This mark is to be an estimate of likely performance in the HSC examination and will reflect each student's achievement of tasks similar to the HSC examination, such as a trial HSC examination.

The assessment components in this course are competency based. Students must demonstrate they have gained the knowledge and skills of each unit of competency, to industry standards. Competency assessment is graded as "not yet competent" or "competent". In some cases, other descriptive words may be used leading up to "competent".

ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE 2025 YEAR PLANNER

Week	Term 4	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				TRIAL HSC
6				TRIAL HSC
7				
8				
9				
10				
10				
11				

List all your assessment tasks on the above grid