

# Official Notices

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## IMPORTANT

The information below is the Board's official advice to schools of the decisions it has taken, and should be acted upon as such. Please ensure the *Official Notices* are circulated to all teaching staff.

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**Approved Scientific Calculators for the Higher School Certificate Examinations 2002**

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51/02**

The scientific calculators listed below are approved for the 2002 Higher School Certificate examinations.

Please note this list of approved calculators does NOT apply to the 2002 General Mathematics HSC examination or School Certificate Tests.

Schools are reminded that in the 2002 General Mathematics HSC examination, candidates are permitted to use calculators, including graphics calculators, that are silent, hand-held, and either battery- or solar-powered. Calculators that are capable of communicating or exchanging data may be taken into the examination room, but are not to be used for this purpose in the examination. A calculating device that incorporates a set of keys whose primary function is to represent the alphabetic characters (eg a QWERTY keyboard) is not deemed to be a calculator for the purpose of this examination, and will not be allowed. Calculators to be used by candidates in the examination must have been switched off and have had all storage facilities cleared for entry into the examination room.

Similar criteria apply to the use of calculators in the School Certificate Tests. (*See Official Notice BOS 16/02, Board Bulletin, Vol 11 No 1, 2002 School Certificate Tests – Equipment.*)

AURORA	SC-170S	CASIO	fx-115WA	MICRONTA	EC-4041
AURORA	TC-611	CASIO	fx-122S	OFFICE ONE	720
CAIEION	FM-83	CASIO	fx-250HS	RADIO SHACK	EC-499
CASIO	fx-82	CASIO	fx-350D	SHARP	EL-509G
CASIO	fx-82D	CASIO	fx-350TL	SHARP	EL-509L
CASIO	fx-82LB	CASIO	fx-550	SHARP	EL-509R
CASIO	fx-82MS	CASIO	fx-550S	SHARP	EL-520L
CASIO	fx-82SX	CASIO	fx-570	SHARP	EL-520VA
CASIO	fx-82 NASER	CASIO	fx-570AD	SHARP	EL-531A
CASIO	fx-82 SUPER	CASIO	fx-570S	SHARP	EL-531D
CASIO	fx-82TL	CASIO	fx-580	SHARP	EL-531G
CASIO	fx-85SA	CASIO	fx-901	SHARP	EL-531GH
CASIO	fx-85VH	CASIO	fx-911W	SHARP	EL-531LH
CASIO	fx-100	CASIO	fx-991N	SHARP	EL-531P
CASIO	fx-100A	CASIO	fx-991S	SHARP	EL-531RH
CASIO	fx-100AU	CASIO	fx-992S	SHARP	EL-531VH
CASIO	fx-100B	CEDAR	SC-502	SHARP	EL-540G
CASIO	fx-100C	CITIZEN	SR-35N	SHARP	EL-553
CASIO	fx-100D	CITIZEN	SR-135	SMART	2
CASIO	fx-100S	CITIZEN	SR-165	TANDY	EC-4032
CASIO	fx-100V	CITIZEN	SR-260	TEXAS	TI-30X
CASIO	fx-115N	HEWLETT-PACKARD	HP-6S	TRULY	107
CASIO	fx-115S	HEWLETT-PACKARD	HP-45	TRULY	107A
CASIO	fx-115V	MICRONTA	EC-4039		

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### **Cognitive Science HSC Course**

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The Board advises that the timeline for development and implementation of the Board Developed Cognitive Science HSC course has been revised as follows:

- Draft syllabus consultation period: 21 October – 29 November 2002
- Distribution of new syllabus package to schools: June 2003
- Implementation of new syllabus: from October 2004
- First HSC examination – October/November 2005.

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### **School Certificate Test in English-literacy – change to Student Guide**

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53/02**

The advice in the *Guide to the 2002 School Certificate – Rules and Procedures for Students* regarding the suggested time students should allocate to sections of the School Certificate Test in English-literacy is incorrect. While the test will be marked out of a total of 100 marks in 2002 (*Board Bulletin*, February 2002, Volume 11 No 1) the time students are advised to allocate to each section of the test remains the same as in 2001 – 1 hour 20 minutes for Section 1 and 40 minutes for Section 2. Schools are asked to bring this to the attention of their Year 10 students.

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### **Timelines for Implementing Years 7–10 Syllabuses**

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In accordance with the general policy adopted by the Board at its meeting in June that teachers should have at least 12 months preparation time from the date of distribution of syllabuses to the date of implementation, the Board advises that the new Years 7–10 Mathematics and English syllabuses will be implemented in:

- Years 7 and 8 from 2004
- Year 9 from 2005
- Year 10 from 2006

and that the new Years 7–10 syllabuses for the remaining six key learning areas will be implemented in:

- Years 7 and 9 from 2005
- Years 8 and 10 from 2006.

The Board will provide further advice to schools relating to the phasing out of those syllabuses which will not be available under the new Years 7–10 curriculum structure.

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# Expression of Interest

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## Teachers' Role in Years 7–10 Work Sample Collection

To assist with the initial implementation of new Years 7–10 syllabuses the Board of Studies will develop sample assessment tasks, introductory sample units of work and annotated samples of students' work. The support materials will illustrate the syllabus standards as well as the concept of assessment for learning.

Teachers are invited to be part of the development process by trialling assessment tasks in their schools and collecting students' responses. These responses will be collated, annotated and distributed by the Board to schools to further support implementation of the syllabuses.

Selected teachers will be briefed about the trialling process. Expressions of interest are sought from interested teachers with experience in teaching Years 7–10 students in:

- Creative Arts
- Human Society and Its Environment
- Languages
- Personal Development, Health and Physical Education
- Science
- Technological and Applied Studies

Interested teachers are encouraged to submit their application as soon as possible. The following form should be completed and submitted to:

**Contact:** **Julie Hurrell**  
**K–10 Principal Curriculum Officer**  
**(02) 9367 8280**  
**hurrell@boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au**

**Curriculum Branch**  
**Office of the Board of Studies**  
**GPO Box 5300**  
**SYDNEY NSW 2000**

Name: .....

Address: .....

..... Postcode: .....

Ph: .....(AH) .....(BH)

Fax: ..... Email: .....

Current Work Location: .....

Subject/s taught	Years taught
eg Geography	Years 8, 9 and 10
eg Drama	Year 9

Signature of Applicant: ..... Date: .....

Signature of Principal: ..... Date: .....



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### Supervisors of Marking for the 2003 School Certificate Tests and Higher School Certificate Examinations

The Office of the Board of Studies is seeking expressions of interest from highly experienced markers for appointment to the positions of Supervisors of Marking for the 2003 School Certificate tests and Higher School Certificate examinations.

Expressions of Interest are invited for the position of Supervisor of Marking for the following subjects:

- Aboriginal Studies
- Agriculture (Tamworth)
- Chemistry
- Chinese
- Dance (Practical and Written)
- Design & Technology (Written)
- Drama (Practical)
- English (Standard) Paper 2 Module A (Wollongong)
- Information Processes and Technology
- Italian
- Japanese
- Modern History
- Studies of Religion
- Vietnamese

Information sheets and application forms were forwarded to all schools on Monday, 29 July 2002. The due date for submission of completed application forms is Friday, 23 August 2002.

For further information, please contact the Examination Appointments Section on 9367 8223.



## Expression of Interest

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### Subject Coordinator – Legal Studies for the 2003 Higher School Certificate Advice Line

The Office of the Board of Studies is seeking expressions of interest from highly experienced teachers for appointment to the position of Subject Coordinator – Legal Studies for the 2003 Higher School Certificate Advice Line.

The HSC Advice Line telephone service complements the advice provided to students by their teachers during school hours. The service was introduced for the 1995 Higher School Certificate and is a highly successful program.

The Advice Line is staffed by experienced teachers. Each subject is coordinated by an experienced adviser who is responsible for recommending adviser appointments, developing the adviser roster and leading the subject team.

**Note: Expressions of interest for HSC Advice Line Subject Coordinator positions for 2003 are only being called for in this subject. Application forms for 2003 HSC Advice Line adviser positions will be sent to all schools during Term 1, 2003.**

An application form and information sheet detailing the duties of the position is available from the Marker Appointments Section, Examinations and Certification Branch on (02) 9367 8153 or (02) 9367 8226.

Completed applications must be returned to the Office of the Board of Studies by Friday, 30 August 2002.



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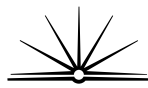
### Item Writers for 2003 Beginners Languages HSC Examinations

The Board is seeking expressions of interest from experienced teachers of Beginners Languages courses in Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Indonesian, Korean, Modern Greek and Spanish to work as item writers for the 2003 HSC examinations.

The writers will develop listening and reading test items including the text, question/s and marking guidelines for the consideration of the relevant examination committee.

Application forms and further information is available from the Board's website ([www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au](http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au)) or by contacting Rhondda Lidgard at Assessment Branch at the Office of the Board of Studies on (02) 9367 8173. Closing date is Friday, 6 September, 2002.

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