Program of Learning Assessment for Nova Scotia (PLANS)



NOVA SCOTIA ASSESSMENTS

Assessment	Participation	Dates
2017–2018 Nova Scotia Assessment: Reading, Writing, and Mathematics/Mathématiques in Grade 6 (RWM6)	Grade 6 English program students Grade 6 French immersion students	October 10–20, 2017
2017–2018 Nova Scotia Assessment: Reading, Writing, and Mathematics/Mathématiques in Grade 8 (RWM8)	Grade 8 English program students Grade 8 French immersion students	May 23–June 5, 2018

NOVA SCOTIA EXAMINATIONS

Examination	Participation	Dates
2017–2018 Nova Scotia Examination: English 10	Students enrolled in English 10 and English 10 Plus*	January 26, 2018 June 19, 2018
2017–2018 Nova Scotia Examination: Mathematics 10	Students enrolled in Mathematics 10	June 20, 2018
2017–2018 Nova Scotia Examination: Mathématiques 10	French immersion students enrolled in Mathématiques 10	June 20, 2018

^{*} Students enrolled in English 10 Plus will write the exam on June 19, 2018.

INTERNATIONAL ASSESSMENT

Assessment	Participation	Dates	
Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA)	15-year old students**	Spring 2018	

^{**} Representative sample of 15-year old students from a representative sample of schools.

NOTES:

• Changes to the Program of Learning Assessment for Nova Scotia:

- Nova Scotia Assessment: Reading and Writing in Grade 3 (RW3) and Mathematics/Mathématiques in Grade 4 (M4) assessments will not be administered in 2017–2018. They will be re-introduced in 2018–2019 as the Nova Scotia Assessment: Reading, Writing, and Mathematics/ Mathématiques in Grade 3 (RWM3) which will be administered in spring 2019.
- Nova Scotia Examination: Mathematics at Work10 will be discontinued starting 2017–2018.
- Nova Scotia Examinations: Administration dates for the Nova Scotia Examinations are fixed and set annually by the department.
- Nova Scotia Assessments: When scheduling assessments within the allotted period, the following requirements must be met:
 - Assessments must be completed in the mornings of the school's chosen dates; chosen administration dates do not need to be consecutive, but the
 assessment sections must be administered in the sequence of the booklet's order (Day 1, 2, 3, 4; for grade 6 and grade 8, Reading and Writing will
 be written before Mathematics).
 - Students must complete only one section ("Day") of the assessment per day.
 - Make-up days must be completed by the end of the administration period to allow for return of materials on/before the deadline.

SCORING SESSIONS:

- Writing in Grade 6: November 5–7, 2017 (Table Leader training November 3–4)
- Writing in Grade 8: July 2018 (dates TBD)
- English 10: July 2018 (dates TBD)
- Mathematics 10 / Mathématiques 10: July 2018 (dates TBD)