



# UNIVERSITY HILL SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Grade 10 Parents/Guardians,

## Re: January 22-24, 2020 Graduation Numeracy Assessment

The Graduation Assessments have changed to align with the new curriculum. As your children are on the new 2018 Graduation Program they will need to complete two provincial assessments that will focus on the demonstration and application of their numeracy and literacy skills.

University Hill Students in Grades 10 have had the opportunity to write the Graduation Numeracy Assessment between **January 22-24, 2020 from 8:40-11:25am**. Students will be assigned a time to write based upon the first letter of their surname. As this is during class time, please note that teachers will be informed of your child's absence. The exam is designed to be written within two hours, a third hour is available should students require additional time

The Graduation Numeracy Assessment is not correlated with a course. Most of the numeracy tasks on this assessment will include concepts up to and including Grade 8, possibly including a few concepts from Math 9 and 10. *(Please see the attached Ministry of Education Graduation Numeracy Assessment Parent Information Brochure for further information.)*

A number from 1-4, representing the four proficiency categories (Emerging / Developing / Proficient / Extending) will appear as a standalone item on a student's transcript as a 2018 Graduation Program requirement. Students will have two opportunities to rewrite during their graduation years (Grades 10 - 12) should they wish to increase their proficiency. The best outcome will be recorded on their final transcript. If your child wants to write the assessment again, please ensure they take to their counsellor **before April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The re-writes will be next school year.**

The Graduation Numeracy Assessment will connect mathematical understanding with a variety of contextualized situations such as place, story, cultural practices and perspectives relevant to local Indigenous communities, the local community, and other cultures. Situations will be based on contexts in Areas of Learning such as Science and Social Studies.

This electronic exam consists of 26 questions - 24 questions answered online and 2 long-response questions answered on paper. There are 4 self-reflection questions that will not be scored that students complete at the end of the assessment.

There are Ministry of Education pre-assessment activities available for students at <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/grade-10-numeracy-assessment>

These activities include a sample Numeracy Assessment and collaborative-learning videos explaining the five numeracy processes that students will encounter during the assessment.

Thank you,

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