

2008 external examination timetable – practical components Drama Studies, Physical Education Studies, Music, Aviation, Languages

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Notes to accompany the timetable (for timetable see last page)

The practical components of the 2008 external examinations will be conducted during September and October, before the written examination period.

Metropolitan candidates

In September, all metropolitan school candidates should receive information via their schools of the venues, dates and times of their Drama Studies practical, Aviation practical, Physical Education Studies practical, Music elective or Language oral interview examinations. Schools will be sent a practical examination advice for each student and a map of the venue. They will be asked to distribute these to their students.

Private candidates will be notified directly by mail of these arrangements in September 2008.

Country candidates

In July, the Council's coordinators examinations (practical) Beryl Bettell and Lynne Eastwood will contact country schools which have candidates for examinations in Drama Studies, Aviation, Physical Education Studies, Music and/or Language subjects to discuss practical examination arrangements for students. All country school candidates will be advised through their schools of the final arrangements for their examinations in September 2008.

Reimbursement arrangements for travel and accommodation costs for country candidates are as follows:

Schools less than 100km from Perth

Students will be expected to travel to Perth at their own expense.

Schools more than 100km from Perth

- Where there are a sufficiently large number of candidates in a school or district, one or two markers (if available) will be sent to that school/district. If one marker is sent, then the examinations will be recorded for the second marking to be conducted in Perth.
- Where there are a very small number of candidates in a school or district, Language candidates may have their interview conducted over speaker telephone or by video conference (if the facilities are available).
- Where it is necessary for a candidate to travel to Perth for the practical component of the examination, the candidate will be slotted into the metropolitan timetable, on their preferred day and time, where possible.
 - The Curriculum Council will reimburse candidates for the cost of transport (bus/rail fare or petrol costs).
 - Reimbursement of airfares (candidates only) will be considered in some cases, and must be approved in advance by the Curriculum Council.
 - If it is necessary for a candidate to stay overnight in Perth, because of flight times, the Curriculum Council will meet accommodation costs for the candidate and will also cover the travel and accommodation costs of a chaperone.
 - It is expected that candidates, or their schools, will make and pay for their own travel arrangements. Costs will be reimbursed by the Curriculum Council once the examinations have been completed.

- All claims for reimbursement should be addressed to Beryl Bettell at the Curriculum Council, following the examination, and must be accompanied by receipts.

Music candidates

Accompanists must be available to accompany their students at any time on any of the examination dates, and it is the candidate's responsibility to inform the accompanist of this. Country students who need to travel to Perth for the examination may be scheduled on any of the dates. Once the music electives timetable has been set, there is no opportunity for students to change examination days and times.

Music candidates who are presenting an approved project (as a full or half elective) will have their project interview during the period of the music electives examinations. The projects must be submitted to the coordinator examinations (practical), Beryl Bettell by Wednesday 24 September, 2008 at the latest. All materials to be examined, including CDs, must be submitted at this time. Candidates will not be permitted to add extra pieces of work after this date.

Timetable clashes

Should students or schools know of any special event which clashes with the examination timetable, they should contact Beryl Bettell in writing or by email (beryl.bettell@curriculum.wa.edu.au) by Friday 8 August, 2008. While every endeavour will be made to accommodate requests, it may not be possible to do so, given the complexity of setting the timetables. All requests will be acknowledged in writing/by email.

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Perth metropolitan area		
Subject	Date(s)	Venue(s)
Drama studies practical	Tuesday 30 September to Friday 10 October (school holidays)	Penrhos College and Churchlands Senior High School
Music electives	Tuesday 30 September to Friday 10 October (school holidays)	WA Conservatorium of Music, ECU (Mt Lawley) and Hale School
Physical Education Studies practical	Tuesday 30 September to Friday 10 October (school holidays)	<i>To be advised</i>
Aviation practical	Wednesday 8 – Friday 10 October (school holidays)	Kent Street Senior High School
Arabic oral	<i>To be advised</i>	
Hebrew oral	<i>To be advised</i>	
Modern Greek oral	<i>To be advised</i>	
Spanish oral	<i>To be advised</i>	
Chinese: second language oral	Saturday 18 October	Mt Lawley Senior High School
Indonesian: second language oral	Saturday 18 October	St Stephen's School - Duncraig
French oral	Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October	City Beach High School
German oral	Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October	City Beach High School
Italian oral	Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October	City Beach High School
Japanese: second language oral	Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October	City Beach High School
Country		
Drama studies practical (Exact dates and venues to be confirmed.)	Monday 6 October to Friday 10 October (School holidays, week 2)	Albany, Bunbury, Busselton, Geraldton, Kalgoorlie
Language oral and music electives	<i>Schools/candidates to be advised.</i>	