# EXTERNAL ASSESSMENTS FOR YEARS 11 AND 12 STUDENTS

## INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN PRE-TERTIARY (LEVEL 3 AND 4) COURSES ABOUT CHANGES IN 2020

The Tasmanian Certificate of Education (TCE) external assessments for pre-tertiary (Level 3 and 4) courses are going ahead in 2020. In light of what has been an extraordinary year for students with the impacts of COVID-19, we have made some changes to ensure student wellbeing is supported and that everyone has a fair opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge.

Recently, we surveyed over 1800 students who told us that they are concerned about how COVID-19 has disrupted their learning this year. We want you to feel confident going into your end-of-year assessments.

#### **KEY DATES**

14 Sep – 7 Nov 2020	Due dates for externally assessed folios and other project work
9 Nov – 19 Nov 2020	Written exams
Dates to be confirmed	CCAFL assessment exams only
17 Dec 2020	Final date to register to receive your results via email
18 Dec 2020	Results emailed to students  Mailing of postal results starts



## **COURSE ADJUSTMENTS**

Your courses have been adjusted to accommodate for the time you lost out of the classroom and the challenges COVID-19 has presented for you, your parents and carers, teachers and school. Because each course is different, the adjustments for each course will look different. You can see them here.

### **EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT ADJUSTMENTS**

Because exams can be stressful and your wellbeing is critical at this time, external assessments for TASC pre-tertiary (Levels 3 and 4) accredited courses have also been adjusted in line with the changes to courses. Because each course is different, the changes to the assessments will be different for each course. This information will be available to you and your teachers shortly. You can see them here.

#### **BACKUP PLAN**

If we've learned anything this year, it's that things might change, and if they do, you'll hear from us straight away. If external assessments cannot go ahead as scheduled we have a backup plan.

Keep learning, doing your assessments as advised by your school or training provider and most importantly look after yourself. Reach out to family, friends and your teachers, or speak to your school if you need support.

We know this has been and continues to be a really challenging time for us as a community. Thank you for being flexible and understanding as we navigate this together, and please be assured that there is a mountain of work going on behind the scenes to support you all and ensure you will still be able to access all the opportunities you dreamed of for your future.

For more information speak to your school or visit TASC's website tasc.tas.gov.au

