



ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE

2026 Year 10 Examination Block Rules

- Year 10 timetabled lessons will not run during the examination period. Students are only required on site for their scheduled examinations.
- Students must wear full school uniform to all examinations.
- Students must arrive at least 20 minutes before each examination. Starting times and locations are listed on the timetable. No allowance will be made for students who misread the timetable.
- Students entering an examination after the official starting time will not receive extra time to complete the task.
- Students may not leave before an examination concludes. If a student needs to leave the examination room, they will be accompanied by a supervisor.
- The College Assessment Practices and Procedures apply during the examination block and are available in the Year 10 Assessment Handbook. Students must understand what constitutes malpractice. The penalty for malpractice is a zero mark for the examination.

Conduct in Examination Rooms

- Students must remain silent and must not communicate or share items during the examination.
- Examination conditions remain in place until the supervisor dismisses students.
- Reading time is for reading only. Students must not write, highlight or mark the paper until the supervisor confirms writing may begin.
- Failure to follow these expectations may constitute malpractice.

Equipment

- All equipment brought into the examination room may be inspected. Students must ensure their equipment works properly, as misadventure applications will not be approved for equipment failure.
- Students may bring the following items into examinations:
 - Black pens only; erasable ink pens are not permitted
 - Pencils of at least 2B grade, erasers and a sharpener
 - A ruler marked in millimetres and centimetres
 - Highlighter pens
 - A clear, unlabelled water bottle
 - A non-programmable, non-smart watch, removed and placed visibly on the desk during the examination
 - NESAs-approved calculators, if permitted for the examination

- Students must **not** bring the following items into the examination room:
 - mobile phones
 - programmable watches or smart watches
 - electronic devices, including communication devices, organisers, tablets, music players, electronic dictionaries and earphones, unless specifically permitted for the examination
 - stopwatches
 - paper or printed/written material, including examination timetables
 - dictionaries, except where permitted in language examinations
 - correction fluid or correction tape
 - writing on the body, even if unrelated to the examination
 - wallets, glasses cases or bags
- Students may not borrow equipment during examinations.

Expectations at the end of an examination

- When told to stop writing, students must put their pens down immediately. They must remain silent and seated while papers are collected and may leave only when dismissed by the supervisor. Examination materials must not be removed from the room unless permission is given.

Absences and Illness

- If a student is absent from an examination, students must contact the Year Coordinator before 8:00 am, and submit an Illness/Misadventure application to the Year Coordinator with valid evidence. If the student is unwell, they must obtain independent medical advice on the day of the examination.
- Students must notify the supervisor(s) if they feel unwell before or during an examination.
- The Year Coordinator will advise students of the date and time of any alternate examination.
- Students should be ready to complete alternate examinations in Session 2 or Session 3 from the day they return.
- If a student is absent on the final day of the examination block, they should expect to complete any missed examination(s) from their first day back at school.

Attendance between examinations and departure from the College

- Students may leave the College after their final examination for the day.
- Students may not leave the College between examinations on the same day. Students will be supervised by College staff during this time.

Examination Provisions

- For eligible students, details will be provided separately