



# MUSWELLBROOK HIGH SCHOOL

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King Street, Muswellbrook NSW 2333

## 2019 TRIAL HIGH SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

1st June 2019

The Higher School Certificate (HSC) is the highest credential that New South Wales students can attain in their schooling. For most courses, there exists a final 2 or 3 hour examination, as a summative assessment strategy, conducted by external examiners.

2019 is the second year that Year 12 students at Muswellbrook High School will attend their HSC examinations offsite. As a school we are committed to ensuring that the learning environment allows for students to achieve at their optimum level. School bells, playground noise, carpark movements, adjacent sport and PDHPE lessons plus general classroom transitions, are all extremely distracting for students performing under examination conditions. Therefore, for the benefit of our Year 12 students, we have sought Muswellbrook Town Library & UON as a suitable location to hold the HSC. These facilities provide modern, quiet, air conditioned conference rooms, along with separate private spacing, for students requiring special provisions.

To ensure that the HSC operates effectively, we are also conducting the Trial HSC at the Town Library & UON for 2019. Laura Martin, Lauren Gallagher, Cheryl Ham & Dana Hogan will be overseeing this process. The accompanying Trial HSC timetable outlines the schedule of all examinations. Students are not required to attend school during this period and are expected to be at Muswellbrook Town Library, 126 Bridge Street, Muswellbrook, at least 15 minutes prior to their relevant examination.

Please do not hesitate to contact Christine Fairweather or Laura Martin on 6543 1033 if you have questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs Laura Martin**  
Stage 6 Head Teacher/Music Teacher

**Mrs Christine Fairweather**  
Rel. Principal

# Muswellbrook High School

## 2019 Trial HSC Examinations

All exams include 5 minutes reading time (unless noted)



### Week One (Term 3, Week 1A)

Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2019		Duration	Venue	Venue
9:30am – 11:40pm	Mathematics Standard 1	2 hours (10 min reading)	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:10pm	Mathematics Standard 2	2 ½ hours (10 min reading)	Town Library	Town Library/ TEC
9:30am – 12:35pm	Mathematics	3 hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	Mathematics Extension 2	3 hours	Town Library	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2019		Duration	Venue	
9:30am – 11:05am	Industrial Technology - Timber	1 ½ hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 11:05am	Industrial Technology - Multimedia	1 ½ hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	Biology	3 hours	Town Library	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2019		Duration	Venue	
9:30am – 11:05am	Visual Arts	1 ½ hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	Modern History	3 hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:40pm	Japanese	3 hours (10 min reading)	Town Library	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2019				
9:30am – 12:35pm	Business Studies	3 hours	Town Library	Town Library/ TEC
9:30am – 12:35pm	Chemistry	3 hours	Town Library	Town Library/ TEC
9:30am – 12:35pm	Food Technology	3 hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	Legal Studies	3 hours	Town Library	

### Week Two (Term 3, Week 2B)

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2019		Duration	Venue	Venue
9:30am – 11:10am	English (Advanced) – Paper One	1 ½ hours (10 min reading)	Town Library	Town Library/ TEC
9:30am – 11:10am	English (Standard) – Paper One	1 ½ hours (10 min reading)	Town Library	
9:30am – 11:10am	English (Studies) – Paper one	1 ½ hours (10 min reading)	Town Library	Town Library/ TEC
12:30pm – 3:35pm	PDHPE	3 hours	Town Library	
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> July 2019		Duration	Venue	
9:30am – 11:35am	English (Advanced) – Paper Two	2 hours	Town Library	Town Library/ TEC
9:30am – 11:35am	English (Standard) – Paper Two	2 hours	Town Library	
1:30pm – 3:35pm	Mathematics Extension 1	2 hours		
1:30pm – 3:40pm	History Extension	2 hours (10min reading)	Town Library	
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2019		Duration	Venue	
9:30pm – 11:35pm	Metal & Engineering (VET)	2 hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	Agriculture	3 hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	CAFS	3 hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	Physics	3 hours	Town Library	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> August 2019		Duration	Venue	
8:00am – 5:00pm	Music (Performance)	All day ~ See Mrs Martin	MHS MPC	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August 2019		Duration	Venue	
9:30pm – 11:05am	Drama	1 ½ hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	Ancient History	3 hours	Town Library	
9:30am – 12:35pm	Investigating Science	3 hours	Town Library	
9:30pm – 11:35pm	Construction (VET)	2 hours	Town Library	
1:30pm – 3:40pm	English Extension 1	2 hours ( 10 min reading)	Town library	

## Directions to candidates

TRIAL HSC EXAMINATIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE **MUSWELLBROOK TOWN LIBRARY & the TERTIARY EDUCATION CENTRE (next door).**

126 Bridge Street Muswellbrook - downstairs Conference Rooms for main examinations and Local Studies Room upstairs for Special Provisions

*Examination Instructions (to be read and followed in conjunction with NESAs "2019 Higher School Certificate Rules and Procedures" guide) – <http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/rules-and-processes/rules-procedures-guide-students>*

- Read the examination timetable carefully. Misadventure consideration will not be considered for failure to do so.
- Arrive at the venue 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the examination.
- Late students will not be allowed extra time. If you arrive later than one hour after the commencement of the examination you will not be admitted to the venue.
- **You may not leave the examination room until the completion of the exam.**
- You must have photographic identification (preferably your student card) and sign on to all examinations as you enter the venue.
- Full school uniform **MUST** be worn to all examinations.
- You are responsible for providing your own equipment (eg. pens, pencils, erasers, rulers, calculators etc). These must be in a clear case or plastic sleeve when entering the room.
- Paper and writing booklets will be provided.
- Clear plastic water bottles without writing are permitted into the examination room.
- Bags, mobile phones, iPods, books or paper is not permitted into the examination room.
- It is the responsibility of all candidates to ensure, by reference to the headings at the top of the paper, that they have been supplied with the correct subject and level examination paper.
- Reading time of 5 minutes applies to all papers, except English Advanced, Standard & Studies Paper 1, Mathematics Standard 1 & 2, Japanese, English Extension, History Extension where 10 minutes is applied. No writing is permitted during this time.
- Read all directions on the examination paper.
- Read all questions on the examination paper.
- Write your **Student Number** on ALL answer sheets and label ALL questions.
- Talking is not permitted in the examination room.

### **Appeals – Illness, Accident or Misadventure**

If you suffer an illness, accident or misadventure at the time of an examination that is serious enough to affect your performance you are required to:

- Lodge an explanation with the Deputy Principal **IMMEDIATELY** after the exam
- Submit a written appeal supported by a medical certificate or other appropriate evidence to the Principal.

**Mrs Martin – Stage 6 Head Teacher**

## 5.2 Bringing the right equipment

### Know what to bring with you

You should bring the equipment you need and know what equipment is allowed for each exam. Make sure that your equipment is in good working order, because we won't uphold misadventure applications for equipment failure.

You can bring the following items into your exams:

- black pens
- pencils (must be at least grading 2B), erasers and a sharpener
- a ruler marked in millimetres and centimetres
- highlighter pens
- a clear bottle of water
- a non-programmable watch, which you must take off, place on your desk in clear view and not touch during the exam.

You need to bring certain equipment (like a calculator) for some exams. If you are allowed a scientific calculator, make sure you have an approved model.

When equipment is listed for an exam, it means that you might need it to answer some questions. If equipment is listed as optional, it is not essential for answering any questions, but you can bring and use it if you wish.

### Leave other items outside the exam room

You can't bring any of the following items into your exams:

- mobile phones
- programmable watches, like smart watches
- any electronic devices (except a calculator, if allowed), including communication devices, organisers, tablets, music players, earphones or electronic dictionaries
- paper or any printed or written material (including your exam timetable)
- dictionaries (except in language exams, if allowed)
- correction fluid or correction tape.

You can't borrow equipment during exams. Exam staff may inspect your equipment when you enter the room, and will tell you where to place any unauthorised items. They are not responsible for these items.