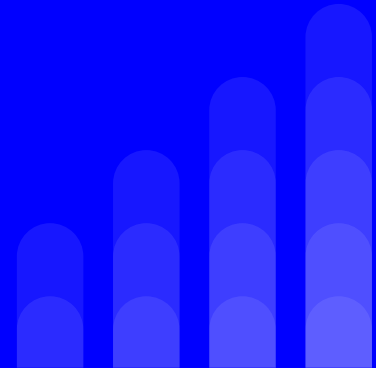


# OSSLT

November 2021



# Why Are We Meeting Today?

- To provide students with an *overview of what to expect on the test*
- To remind students of the *Preparation opportunities available to them*
- To remind students of the *Extra Help opportunities available to them*
- To review what the day of the test will look like





## Who is writing the OSSLT?

In November 2021, all GRADE 11 students and any GRADE 12 student who is not graduating, will write the OSSLT.

Gr. 10 students will write in the Spring of 2022.

**November 2021**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

www.calendaronline.com



# When do we write the OSSLT?

- Grade 11 and 12 students will write the week of **November 15, 2021**.
- We will have 4 classes writing each day.
- You will write in your PERIOD 2 Class
- If something happens and you miss your test day, please contact Mrs. Clarke in the Main Office for help

# STH OSSLT Schedule:

OSSLT Date	COURSE	TEACHER	WRITING LOCATION
<b>Mon. Nov. 15 &amp; Tues. Nov. 16</b>	DCO3O	Brodeur	Library
<b>Mon. Nov. 15 &amp; Tues. Nov. 16</b>	TFJ3C	Feir	Library
<b>Mon. Nov.15 &amp; Tues. Nov. 16</b>	CLU3M	Hudak	111
<b>Mon. Nov. 15 &amp; Tues. Nov. 16</b>	ENG3U	Hayden	223
<b>Wed. Nov. 17 &amp; Thurs. Nov. 18</b>	PPL3O	Laurin	Library
<b>Wed. Nov. 17 &amp; Thurs. Nov. 18</b>	MCF3C	Marion	238
<b>Wed. Nov. 17 &amp; Thurs. Nov. 18</b>	SBI3U	Rumney	228
<b>Wed. Nov. 17 &amp; Thurs. Nov. 18</b>	IDC3O	Sparks	Library
<b>Fri. Nov. 19 8am</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remote Learners</li> <li>• Gr. 11 Students in a Gr. 10 or 12 class</li> <li>• Any students who missed their test date</li> </ul>	Murton/Coulas/M. Gignac	Library

# What Can I Do to Prepare for the OSSLT?

There are many things that you can (and SHOULD!) do to prepare for the OSSLT:

- Use the **BRIGHTSPACE** course that is posted to your student account. This will walk you through practicing all of the skills needed for the OSSLT.
- Look at the **Practice Test** on [www.eqao.com](http://www.eqao.com). This practice test uses the exact format of the actual test. This is an excellent way to practice using the online format. You will also be practicing this with your class.
- In your classes - your teachers will walk you through some of the elements of the test and provide you with **practice** opportunities and suggestions.
- Ask for help. If you are nervous, or have questions about the test, please ask!





# What does the test look like?

**2 Online Sessions - 60 minutes each** (you can have more time if needed)

## **Session 1 - 19 Questions Total - Students will complete this on their first testing day**

1. Real Life Narrative - 7 Multiple Choice Questions
2. Information Paragraph - 6 Multiple Choice Questions
3. News Report - 5 Multiple Choice Questions and One open response (100 words)

## **Session 2 - 14 Questions - Students will complete this on their second testing day**

1. Dialogue - 5 Multiple Choice Questions
2. Written Multiple Choice - 8 Multiple Choice Questions - editing skills
3. Series of Paragraphs - 1 Open Response (500 words) expressing an opinion



# Schedule for TEST DAY - Gr. 11's Only

**Period 1** - Regular Schedule - NO CHANGES

**Classes that are writing the OSSLT will be excused for JUNIOR LUNCH**

Monday and Tuesday: Brodeur, Feir, Hudak, Hayden

Wednesday and Thursday: S.Laurin, Marion, Rumney, Sparks

**Period 2** (11:25-1:55) - OSSLT Session 1 or OSSLT Session 2

Once students are finished their OSSLT Session teachers will continue with their regular classes. Each session is approx. 60 minutes long



# What to bring on the day of the test:

- Headphones
- Scrap paper and pen/pencil - rough notes



# SUPPORT MATERIALS

Support materials are available for all students once they log in to the online OSSLT. A set of accessibility tools is located in the **student toolbar**. These tools are available to every student taking the OSSLT:

- **A help menu**
- **A text-to-speech function that reads the text on the screen out loud**
- **Zoom in and zoom out capabilities**
- **A line reader that helps students focus on one line of text at a time**
- **A high-contrast view**
- **Annotation tools (highlighter, line and eraser)**
- **A tool for rough notes**



All students will also have access to virtual breathing exercises, reminders of test taking strategies and other minds-on activities to help them as they take the modernized OSSLT.

# EXTRA HELP IS AVAILABLE!

Monday November 1 - Thursday November 11

2-3pm Daily

In the Library

**DROP IN TO ASK YOUR QUESTIONS AND GET SOME  
HELP!**



# What's Next?

- Grade 11 students will complete a Practice test this week with their Period 2 class - check with your teacher for the date!
- Review the Prep Materials
- Come to the Extra Help Drop-in Sessions
- Be sure you know the date you will write the OSSLT

