## Memo

Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority

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Senior secondary

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# Compressed curriculum cohorts 2024 and 2025

## Purpose

To inform schools offering compressed curriculum subject offerings for 2024 and 2025 of the key dates and critical activities for endorsement and confirmation.

## Background

All schools participate in quality assurance processes for summative internal assessment for General subjects.

Schools can offer a compressed curriculum option for subjects offered at their school. All four units for those subjects are delivered in a single calendar year.

For compressed curriculum cohorts in General subjects, Essential English and Essential Mathematics, there are specific timelines and requirements for quality assurance processes to maintain the integrity of the flexible delivery of the subject offering.

## Information

#### Subject offerings and enrolments

To ensure all eligible subjects offered at the school are included in the endorsement process, subject offerings must be entered in Student Management via the QCAA Portal. Refer to the Senior Education Profile (SEP) calendar for timelines for entering subject offerings and student enrolments.

#### 2024 subject offerings

Subject offerings for 2024 compressed curriculum cohorts, along with student enrolments, should already have been entered in Student Management. Please refer to Memo 001/23, 'Compressed curriculum cohorts 2023 and 2024', 13 January 2023.

Schools offering an Applied syllabus as a compressed curriculum option in 2024 are to follow the approved study plan written for the 2019 Applied syllabuses. Schools can commence delivering the 2024 Applied syllabuses as a compressed curriculum option from 2025.

#### 2025 subject offerings

Schools should enter subject offerings for 2025 compressed curriculum cohorts in Student Management to reflect the timeline the school wishes to work towards for endorsement processes.





#### Endorsement

If subject offerings for 2025 compressed curriculum cohorts are entered in Student Management **by Friday 23 February 2024**, endorsement timelines will be as follows:

| Endorsement event | Subjects and assessment instruments to be submitted  |
|-------------------|--|
| August 2024       | <ul> <li>General and General (Extension) subjects — first two internal assessment instruments being implemented</li> <li>Applied (Essential) subjects — first internal assessment instrument being implemented</li> </ul>        |
| February 2025     | <ul> <li>General and General (Extension) subjects — third internal assessment instrument being implemented</li> <li>Applied (Essential) subjects — third and fourth internal assessment instruments being implemented</li> </ul> |

If subject offerings for 2025 compressed curriculum cohorts are entered in Student Management **after Monday 14 October 2024**, endorsement timelines will be as follows:

| Endorsement event | Subjects and assessment instruments to be submitted   |  |  |  |
|-------------------|---|--|--|--|
| February 2025     | <ul> <li>General, General (Extension) and Applied (Essential) subjects — all internal<br/>assessment instruments being implemented</li> </ul> |  |  |  |

#### Confirmation

#### 2024 subject offerings

Schools with 2024 compressed curriculum cohorts in a General subject have some flexibility in how they are supported through the confirmation process.

| Subject             | April 2024<br>confirmation<br>event   | July 2024 opt-in<br>confirmation<br>event   | August 2024<br>confirmation<br>event   | October 2024<br>confirmation<br>event<br>(compressed<br>curriculum only)  |
|---------------------|---|---|--|---|
| General<br>subjects | No student results<br>can be entered for<br>compressed<br>curriculum cohorts<br>for this event. | Student results for<br>the first internal<br>assessment<br>instrument<br>implemented <b>may</b><br>be submitted for<br>confirmation if they<br>are ready. | If no student results<br>were submitted at<br>the July opt-in event,<br>results for the first<br>internal assessment<br>instrument for all<br>cohorts <b>must</b> be<br>submitted for this<br>event. If results for<br>the second internal<br>assessment<br>instrument are<br>ready, they <b>may</b><br>also be submitted. | Student results for<br>all remaining<br>internal assessment<br>instruments are<br>submitted for<br>confirmation.<br>This event will<br>appear as Event 4 in<br>the Confirmation<br>application. |

Schools offering General (Extension) and Applied (Essential) subjects are subject to the usual processes and timelines for confirmation and Applied quality assurance meetings.

Refer to the SEP calendar for timelines for entering results and uploading samples for confirmation.

## What you need to do

Principal's delegates should bring this memo to the attention of school staff responsible for the implementation of compressed curriculum subjects.

## Finding out more

For questions about:

- the endorsement process generally, please phone (07) 3864 0375 or email endorsement@qcaa.qld.edu.au
- the confirmation process generally, please phone (07) 3864 0491 or email confirmation@qcaa.qld.edu.au
- General, General (Extension) or Applied (Essential) subjects, please contact the relevant QCAA learning area: www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/about/contact/syllabus-contacts
- submitting results via the Student Management application, please phone (07) 3864 0425 or email certification@qcaa.qld.edu.au.

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