

Memo

Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority

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Senior secondary

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Applications open for external assessment markers

Purpose

- To notify teachers, schools and other eligible applicants (OEAs) that the QCAA is seeking applications to mark senior external assessment in 2025.
- To remind 2024 markers to reapply, as QCAA chief marker, lead marker and marker roles are annual appointments.

Background

The QCAA employs and trains practising Queensland teachers and OEAs with relevant experience (e.g. retired teachers, academics, teachers from other jurisdictions) to mark external assessment for General, General (Extension) and General (Senior External Examination (SEE)) syllabuses using an online marking platform.

Information

In this appointment process, the QCAA is seeking applications for the following QCAA assessor (external assessment marking) roles:

- markers (including oral assessment markers for SEE languages)
- lead markers
- chief markers.

Applicants should note that:

- chief markers, lead markers and markers for subjects scheduled in Week 4 of the marking operation will participate in full-day marking
- chief markers will participate in the reassessment process. Chief markers should also be available for the reassessment period from 17 December 2025 to 16 January 2026
- markers for SEE languages oral assessments should also be available for the SEE languages written assessments
- all markers must check they can be released from their school.

The external assessment timetable for 2025 has been released on the QCAA website:
www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/assessment/external-assessment/timetable.

Benefits of becoming a QCAA assessor

QCAA assessors:

- gain practical insight into assessment in the QCE system
- increase their understanding of good assessment design and making judgments about student work
- gain CPD points for Queensland College of Teachers registration renewal
- network with other like-minded professionals
- share expertise with their school/colleagues
- earn extra income.

Important dates

- Closing date: **midnight 3 August 2025**
- Offer rounds:
 - Round 1 — July 2025
 - Round 2 — August 2025.
- Marking operation runs from mid-October to the end of November 2025 or until all scripts are marked.

What you need to do

- Encourage teachers and OEAs to apply.
- Remind 2024 markers to reapply as marking is an annual appointment.
- See 'Marking external assessment' under QCAA assessors on the QCAA website (www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/assessment/qcaa-assessors/external-assessment-marking) for detailed information about eligibility requirements, selection and training, remuneration, and the application process for practising Queensland teachers and OEAs.

Finding out more

For more information, including the position descriptions and FAQs, visit the '[Marking external assessment](#)' page on the QCAA website.

Alternatively, email externalassessment@qcaa.qld.edu.au.

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