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Re: Upcoming EQAO Assessment 2022–2023

Dear parents and guardians:

The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) measures whether students are meeting the minimum standard for literacy across all subjects up to the end of Grade 9. This year, the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) will be offering the computer-based online OSSLT to students in Grades 10 and 11, non-graduating students and students who are retaking the test. Successful completion of this literacy test is one of the requirements to earn an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

Between November __ and December __, 2022, and March __ and April __, 2023, our eligible students who are learning in person will be taking part in the OSSLT.

Students will complete the assessment in two sessions (Session A and Session B). Each session is designed to be completed in 60 minutes, and students will complete each session in one sitting. Additional time may be provided for any students who require it. After completing both sessions, students will be presented with a questionnaire that asks them about their experiences, attitudes and perceptions with respect to literacy.

Students have the opportunity to become familiar with the online test and its platform through EQAO's online practice test.

An Individual Student Report will be generated for each student after the scoring of the assessment.

For more information about EQAO and to view the full practice test, you are encouraged to visit EQAO's website at www.eqao.com.

Sincerely,

[name of principal]

[signature of principal]

Principal