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Dear Grade 10 Families, 18 December 2019

Re: Numeracy and Literacy Provincial Assessments

When the Ministry of Education unveiled the new curriculum and graduation program, it mandated that all students graduating at the conclusion of the 2021/2022 school year write both the **Numeracy 10 Assessment** and the **Literacy 10 Assessment**. At Jackson, all grade 10 students will write one of these assessments during the Tuesday to Friday afternoons of the January exam week (Jan 21-24). Grade 10 students <u>currently enrolled in a mathematics</u> class will be enrolled in the **Numeracy 10 Assessment** on the afternoon of either January 21 or 22. Grade 10 students <u>not in math</u> will be enrolled in the **Literacy 10 Assessment** on the afternoon of either January 23 or 24. Please have your grade 10 student check the display case in the Jackson foyer for their specific assessment date and time in January.

Please note, that students will only write one of the two assessments this January, and will write the other in April. Grade 10 students enrolled in math and English will only write the **Numeracy 10 Assessment** in January.

The purpose of both assessments is to measure the extent to which students are literate and numerate, and to provide students with information about their proficiencies in each area. While both assessments are necessary to graduate in British Columbia, there is no minimum score for a pass. Over their years in high school, students can write each assessment up to three times. For the purposes of post-secondary institution eligibility and whether they will consider either assessment for their admissions, please contact each institution individually.

For specific information regarding the **Numeracy 10 Assessment**, including sample assessments and how to prepare for the assessment, please look <u>here</u>.

For specific information regarding the **Literacy 10 Assessment**, including sample assessments and how to prepare for the assessment please look here.

Results for both assessments are available at the school one month after the assessment is written, or via the Ministry of Education's Student Transcript Service (here).

For general information regarding all provincial assessments, please look here.

Jackson will be hosting a parent information night providing information about the **Numeracy 10 Assessment** on Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the library.

We strongly encourage students to prepare for their assessments, by following the links provided and completing some of the reviews/practice assessments.

Questions about your student's **Numeracy 10** or **Literacy 10 Assessment** not answered in the links provided can be directed to the office at Jackson.

Sincerely,

Rhys Waters Vice Principal