

Laurel Heights Secondary School

Final Evaluation Information - June 2024

The WRDSB has divided its 10 exam/evaluation days in a 2-3 day split each semester, as shown on the <u>secondary school year calendar</u>. The three days occurring at the end of each semester will allow staff to support and administer a variety of final evaluation tasks and determine a grade for students. The Assessment and Evaluation Period for the end of Semester 2 will occur from <u>June 24th to 26th</u>, <u>2024</u>. In the pandemic, great strides were made to adapt assessment and evaluation practices to meet student needs. The return to a 70/30 split is an opportunity to take stock of what we have learned and refine these practices in service of fair and reliable evaluation of student learning aligned with <u>Growing Success</u>. With regard to the 30% final evaluation, teachers have the flexibility to provide a variety of methods for students to demonstrate their growth, and confirm their learning.

The 30% final evaluation component should include product and non-product demonstrations of learning, such as conferences, exit interviews, performances, portfolios, demonstrations, projects and exams.

Exams should be used selectively, in combination with other methods of assessment, and in consideration of the demonstrations of learning that have already taken place throughout the semester. It is important to note that when working with the end in mind, teachers have flexibility in what evidence they will use to determine a final grade.

Classroom teachers will clearly communicate with their students and their families what they need to be doing on these days.

Students who do not complete all or parts their final 30% (in its various forms) do not take advantage of the opportunity to provide recent evidence to verify or confirm their consistent level of performance, at the end of a course. If a student does not provide some significant evidence in the form of final evaluations and exams it may impact their overall achievement or result in a loss of credit based on the total body of evidence as reflected in the term work and final evaluation components.

ACE students and students in other congregated Priority 1 Programs will attend school with regular programming.

There will be no field trips, WCSSAA games or practices, and no school events for 5 days prior to the end of semester Assessment and Evaluation Days.

Exams: Exams have been scheduled based on information provided by department heads and have been included in our Exam Schedule.

Final Assessment and Credit Rescue Opportunities: Some students will be invited to attend on these days in order to complete final demonstration of expectations in order to earn their credit.

Student Attendance - similar to former exam days, attendance will be taken and submitted for <u>scheduled</u> exams, <u>assessments</u>, or performance tasks, in-person credit rescue, and level-up opportunities.

Students will be coded as G in advance of these days. In Teacher's attendance, clicking 'P' for present will override this code. If a student is absent when scheduled for an assessment opportunity please click 'P' to override the code then mark them as Absent in your daily attendance (two clicks).

Study Areas: The Library will be open for those who wish to engage in quiet study. The cafeteria will also be open for those who need to work collaboratively together.

During any period of the Instructional Support/Exam days, students could be required by their teacher to be present in class to complete forms of evaluation or complete credit rescue opportunities.

June 24th, 2023	June 25th, 2023	June 26th, 2023
Students could be required by their teachers to be present in class during these periods to complete forms of evaluation; complete credit rescue opportunities or, for some Grade 11 and 12 courses, participate in a final exam	Students could be required by their teachers to be present in class during these periods to complete forms of evaluation; complete credit rescue opportunities or, for some Grade 11 and 12 courses, participate in a final exam	Students could be required by their teachers to be present in class during these periods to complete forms of evaluation or complete credit rescue opportunities.
Period A 8:20 a.m. 10:55*	Period B 8:20 a.m. 10:55*	Period A 8:20 - 9:35
		Period B 9:40 - 10:55
Nutrition Break	Nutrition Break	Nutrition Break
Period C 11:55 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.*	Period D 11:55 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.*	Period C 11:55 - 1:10
		Period D 1:15 - 2:30

^{*}Please note exams were set to be 75 minutes but students have up to 150 minutes to write; students may leave after the first 75 minutes if they have completed the exam.

School Closure or Unforeseen Event

- School buses run on their regular schedule during these three days.
- Listen to local radio and check the school board social media channels/website at wrdsb.ca and the school website lhs.wrdsb.ca by 6:30 a.m.
- Evaluations may be postponed for various reasons including inclement weather, bus cancellations, plant malfunctions, etc. Please do not plan events which require your student to be absent from school on these days.
- Attendance for students <u>without</u> any scheduled exams is optional unless required by the teacher.

Report Cards for semester two will be handed out on the week of July 8th, 2023