

Student Absence

- Students who are absent on the days of the standards test or who are unable to complete the test due to circumstances beyond their control (e.g., sudden illness, severe weather, family crisis, incapacity resulting from an accident) are governed by school or school division policy concerning student absences during final tests (e.g., requirement for a physician's note explaining illness).
- Since there are no make-up sessions, schools will have the responsibility of providing a final course grade to students for whom the school has granted an excused absence. The school must indicate on the students' report cards that the final mark reflects school-based assessment and evaluation practices only, and that there is "no mark" for the standards test.
- Students who are absent **without** a legitimate reason or who formally refuse to write any part of a standards test (by their own or by parental choice), will receive a mark of 0% for the parts of the test missed.
- Further details regarding student absences are provided in the *Administration Manual*.