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To: Superintendents of School Divisions
Principals of Schools (Kindergarten to Grade 12)

Dear Colleagues:

Re: Provincial Assessments and Standards Testing Schedule 2011/2012

Manitoba Education wishes to inform you of the provincial assessments and standards testing schedule for the 2011/2012 school year. To assist you in school planning, details about provincial assessment activities and administration dates are provided on the following page.

Grade 3:

- The Grade 3 Assessment in Reading, *Lecture*, and Numeracy and Grade 4 Assessment in French Immersion *Lecture* will take place in the fall of 2011. Information is available online at <www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/assess/gr3/>. Schools will use the Collection of Assessment Results (CAR) web application to report student-by-student results to the Department in November. Further information will be provided to schools at the start of the 2011/2012 school year.

Middle Years:

- The Middle Years Assessment of Key Competencies in Mathematics, Reading Comprehension, Expository Writing, and Student Engagement will start in the fall of 2011. Information is available online at <www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/assess/myreporting.html>. Schools will use the CAR web application to report student-by-student results to the Department between mid-January and the end of February. Further information will be provided to schools at the start of the 2011/2012 school year.

Grade 12:

- Standards tests will be administered system-wide in the following subjects:
 - English Language Arts
 - *Français langue première 40S : Langue et communication*
 - *Français langue seconde—immersion 40S : Langue et communication*
 - Applied Mathematics/*Mathématiques appliquées*
 - Consumer Mathematics/*Mathématiques du consommateur*
 - Pre-Calculus Mathematics/*Mathématiques pré-calcul*
- To receive timely and accurate summaries of results and feedback from the Department, it is crucial to return test-related materials to the Department by the deadline dates. The Department will provide financial support (\$10 per mathematics test and \$12.25 per language arts test) to funded independent schools and to school divisions for each test that counts as a standards test and for which materials are returned on time. The purpose of the financial support is to compensate teachers or provide for release time for marking the tests. This support goes to the jurisdiction in which the students are enrolled.

- The standards tests will be locally marked and results will count for 30% of students' final grades.

Test/Assessment	Administration Dates	
	Semester 1	Semester 2
Grade 12 English Language Arts Standards Test <i>Optional for Français and French Immersion programs</i>	Tuesday, January 10 to Friday, January 13, 2012	Monday, June 4 to Thursday, June 7, 2012
Grade 12 Français langue première 40S : Langue et communication Standards Test Prior to Test—Students' Activities: readings, supplementary research, and note-taking	Monday, January 16 to Wednesday, January 18, 2012	Monday, May 28 to Wednesday, May 30, 2012
Grade 12 Français langue seconde — immersion 40S : Langue et communication Standards Test Prior to Test—Students' Activities: readings, supplementary research, and note-taking	Monday, January 16 to Wednesday, January 18, 2012	Monday, May 28 to Wednesday, May 30, 2012
Grade 12 Applied Mathematics/Mathématiques appliquées Standards Test	Wednesday, January 25 and Thursday, January 26, 2012	Monday, June 11 and Tuesday, June 12, 2012
Grade 12 Consumer Mathematics/Mathématiques du consommateur Standards Test	Project: Monday, November 28 to Monday, December 5, 2011 Written Test: Tuesday, January 24, 2012 Portfolio: Prior to Tuesday, January 24, 2012	Project: Monday, April 23 to Monday, April 30, 2012 Written Test: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 Portfolio: Prior to Wednesday, June 13, 2012
Grade 12 Pre-Calculus Mathematics/Mathématiques pré-calcul Standards Test	Monday, January 23, 2012	Thursday, June 14, 2012
National and International Assessments: Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA)		spring 2012 (15-year-old students; mathematics is the major domain)

Information bulletins for the standards tests, outlining test specifications, times, and duration, will be available in September 2011.

Yours sincerely,

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