June 2020

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

Dear Colleagues:

Re: Provincial Assessments and Tests Schedule (2020/2021)—UPDATE

Manitoba Education wishes to provide you with an update of the provincial tests and assessments schedule for the 2020/2021 school year.

Grades 3 and 4 Assessment and Middle Years Assessment

• The provincial data collection associated with the Grade 3 Assessment in Reading, *Lecture*, and Numeracy and Grade 4 Assessment in French Immersion *Lecture*, as well as the Middle Years Assessment of Key Competencies in Mathematics, Reading Comprehension, Expository Writing, and Student Engagement will be suspended for the 2020/2021 school year.

• Schools and school divisions are encouraged to continue to use the assessments as one of many tools to help identify students’ strengths and needs in key competency areas in order to guide instructional planning. While the Collection of Assessment Results (CAR) web application will not be available, blank report templates are available on the website should teachers wish to use them.
  - Grades 3 and 4 Assessment Report Templates
  - Middle Years Assessment Report Templates
    www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/assess/myreporting.html

Grade 12 Tests

• A decision regarding the status of the Grade 12 provincial tests will be made as more information becomes available regarding the return to school in the fall.

Should you have any questions about the provincial assessment program, please contact Jennifer Maw at 204-945-5886 or toll-free at 1-800-282-8069 (extension 5886), or by email at jennifer.maw@gov.mb.ca.

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