

What you need to know about NCEA



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NCEA PRESENTATION

- **Where to get information**
- **What is NCEA Level 1,2,3**
- **What and How do you gain University Entrance**
- **Academic Honours (SMC)**
- **Extension of Assessment Date Process**
- **Appeals Process**
- **Resubmission Process**
- **Further Information**



Where can I go to help my child with their NCEA Journey?

- Sancta Maria College Teachers (contact information can be found in the [school website](#))
- My Childs [Schoology](#) Page
- [NZQA](#) Website
- NCEA Student Handbook
- Principals Nominee - Anita Heffernan
- StudyTime – Youtube Videos - <https://www.youtube.com/user/studytimenz/videos>



Outstanding Results

- The highest NCEA achieving school in East Auckland.
- In the Top 10 best NCEA performing schools in the whole of Auckland.

| Academic Year | NCEA LEVEL 1 | NCEA LEVEL 2 | NCEA LEVEL 3 | University Entrance |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 2021 | 96.2% | 97.9% | 99.2% | 94.3% |

To see how well a school has achieved in NCEA,
go to [Secondary School Statistics on the NZQA website](#).



NCEA

National Certificate of Educational Achievement

- Level 1 / Level 2 / Level 3 + Scholarship (external examination)
- Subjects are divided up into groups of Achievement Standards (topics) for assessment throughout the year, each worth a particular number of credits.
- Standards are assessed either internally (majority) or externally (exams).
- Possible grades: *Achieved, Merit, Excellence* and *Not Achieved*



NCEA

National Certificate of Educational Achievement

- Depending on the difficulty of the standard, each one is allocated a number of credits, usually between 2-5.
- A year course in a subject is usually worth a total of between 16 to 18 credits x 6 courses (Total opportunity of Credits 96-108 per year)
- The focus is on the *quality* of the credits – Merit and Excellence, rather than the final credit total.

Why?



NCEA

National Certificate of Educational Achievement

Level 1 – Year 11
80 credits
at level 1 or above

Including:
10 literacy credits
10 numeracy credits

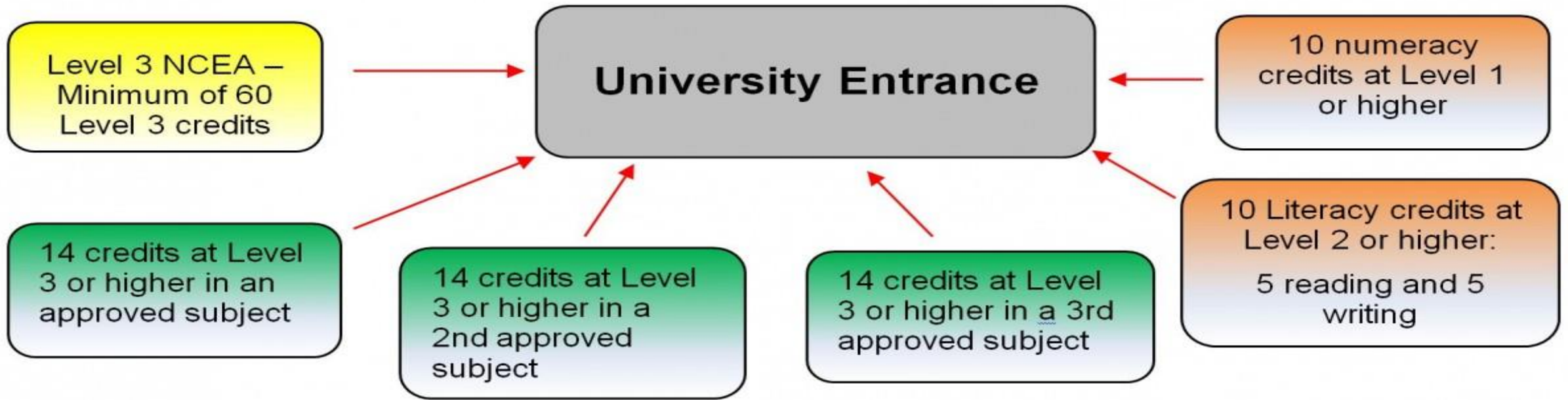
Level 2 – Year 12
80 credits
at level 2

Or:
60 credits
at Level 2 or above *plus*
20 credits at any level

Level 3 – Year 13
80 credits
at level 3

Or:
60 credits
at Level 3 or above
plus 20 credits
at level 2 or above





University Entrance Qualification

- NCEA Level 3 qualification is required (60 Level 3 credits)
- 14 credits at Level 3 from 3 **approved subjects** – Total 42 Credits
- **UE Literacy at Level 2 with 10 Credits**, available from a variety of subjects 5 credits in reading and 5 credits in writing
- **UE Numeracy at level 1 with 10 credits or higher**





Why do I
want my
child to
achieve
Merit's and
Excellence?

WHAT DO I NEED TO GO TO UNIVERSITY

- Some degrees have harder entrance requirements and calculate entrance on students Level 3 best 80 credit
 - Guaranteed Entry Score - [Auckland University](#)
 - 280 = Biomedical Science, 260 = Engineering

CALCULATING MY RANK SCORE: [How your NCEA rank score is calculated](#)

- Your rank score is based on your best 80 credits at Level 3 or higher over a maximum of five approved subjects.
- These credits are then weighted by awarding points based on the level of achievement Excellence (4 points), Merit (3 points) or Achieved (2 points) attained in each set of credits.



Sancta Maria College Academic Honours

NCEA Level 1

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| Academic Honours Gold | 50 credits at Excellence |
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| Academic Honours Silver | 50 credits at Merit and/or Excellence |
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NCEA Level 2

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| Academic Honours Gold | 50 credits at Excellence |
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| Academic Honours Silver | 50 credits at Merit and/or Excellence |
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NCEA Level 3

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| Academic Honours Gold | 50 credits at Excellence |
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| Academic Honours Silver | 50 credits at Merit and/or Excellence |
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Scholars Badge

Sancta Maria College Academic Honours

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| NCEA Level 1 Scholars Badge | <p>A student will receive Scholarship Endorsement for a course if they achieve 14 or more credits at Excellence in a single year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 of these credits must be from externally assessed standards.• 3 of these credits must be from internally assessed standards. |
| NCEA Level 2 Scholars Badge | |
| NCEA Level 3 Scholars Badge | |



FAQ:

1. What if I'm sick when an assessment is on?

2. What if there has been an accident or emergency when an assessment is on?



STEP PROCESS

- Email the Principals Nominee and your teacher immediately.
- Get doctor to provide medical certificate or letter from guardian.
- Complete the Application for [Change of Assessment Date](#) (Late, Extension, Missed Assessment)
- Give the completed form to your Teacher who will rearrange another date for the assessment to take place on

FAQ:

3. What if I need to apply for an extension to a deadline?

- Complete the Application for **Change of Assessment Date** (Late, Extension, Missed Assessment)
- Give the completed form to your Teacher who will rearrange another date for the assessment to take place on
- The PN may grant an extension, set a new date, or decline the application.





All work must be your own.

All work that you submit for assessment must be your own.

- Sancta Maria College uses TURNITIN
- Handing in work that has not been done by you and claiming that it is so, is cheating. Cheating can involve for example; copying another student's work, copying from a book and not acknowledging that it is not your own work, getting undue help from someone else, or taking banned materials into an assessment.

Authenticity is essential.

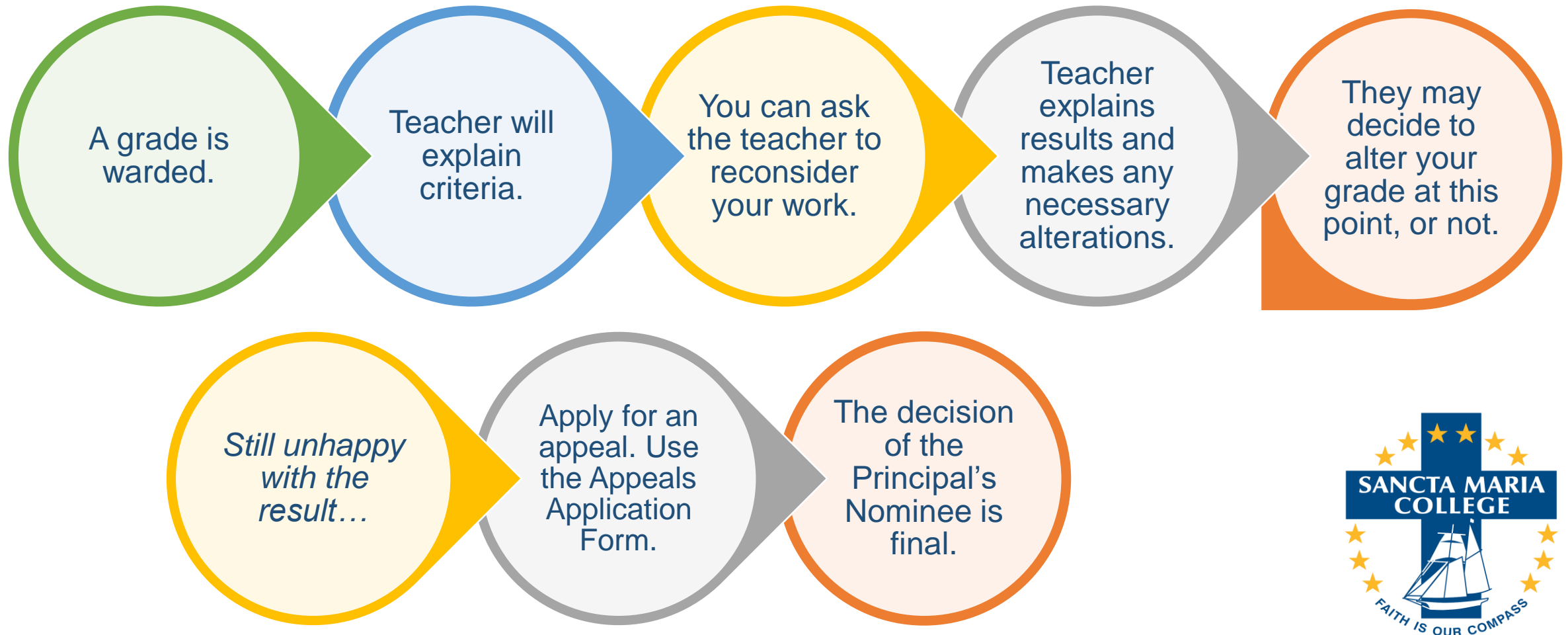
- You will be asked to sign a document that the work you are handing in is entirely your own.
- Departments may also ask you to provide draft copies, complete tasks in class, reference accurately all sources of information or other methods to prove authenticity.



The Appeals Process

This process may be used if you disagree with any decision relating to assessment.

https://www.sanctamaria.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/SMC_NCEA_Assessment_Appeal_Application_Form.pdf



Further Assessment Opportunity (FAO)

A Further Assessment Opportunity is when your teacher offers you another chance to achieve a standard when you have initially failed to achieve to your potential – *you must be able to improve your original grade.*

Resubmission (Resub)

- Schools may offer a resubmission opportunity to students only when a minor error prevents them from reaching an 'Achieved' grade.
- The only change in grade boundary available for resubmissions is from 'Not Achieved' to 'Achieved.'
- On this basis, the highest grade that can be awarded as a result of a resubmission of an internal assessment is limited to 'Achieved'.





There is always work to be done!

How much do you really know about your child's learning?

- There is no such thing as “no homework” at Senior levels. Your child will always have work to do. – For due dates look at course outlines
- Laptops are essential
- Assessments are now happening all through the year not just in November.

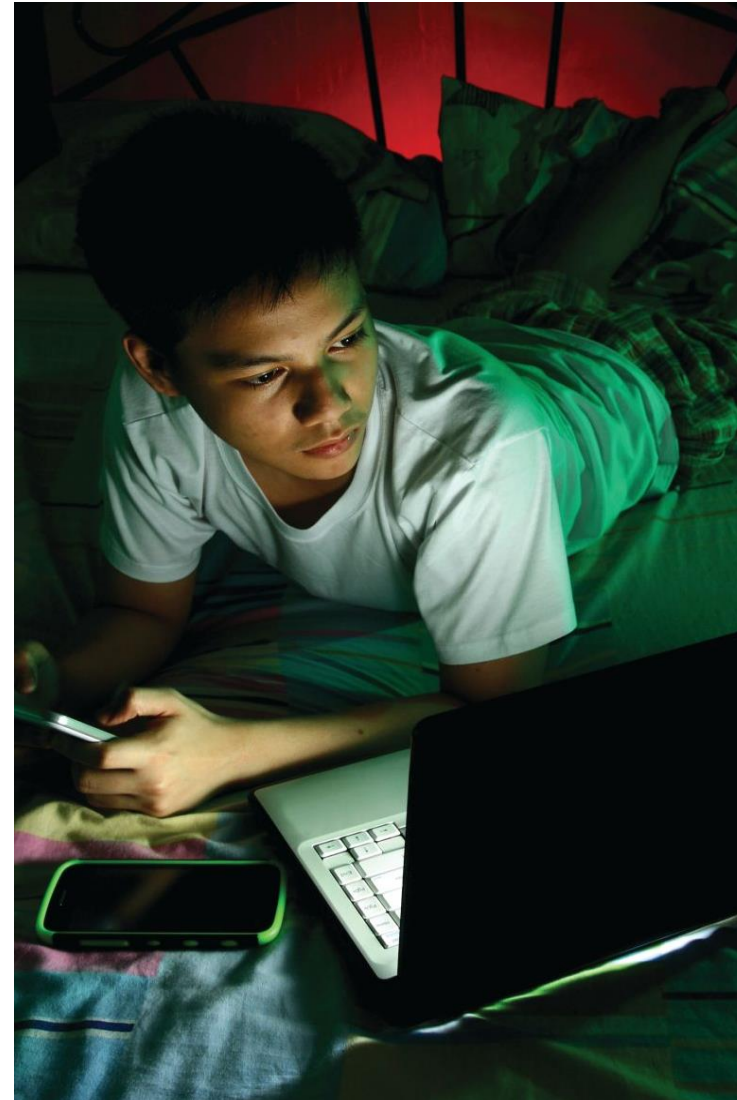


Do you know what happens behind closed doors?

- Monitor Phone Use: Social media focus? Computer games? Watching YouTube and videos? Procrastination?
- Research is now showing sleep deprivation amongst young people is a real issue, in this 24/7 technological world.
- Turn off your Wi-Fi / Data at home.

Do you have a rule at home about phones and gadgets being turned off at bedtime?

Are they allowed their devices in their bedrooms when they go to bed??





Back it up!

- Back up Student Work
- Use your Hard Drive, OneDrive (Office 365, GoogleDrive) or the School network. USB's can be faulty.



Any more questions?

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| Anita Heffernan | Principal's Nominee |
| Chris Sullivan | Head of Senior School |
| Andrew Ardern | Year 13 Dean |
| Ryan Camp | Year 11 Dean |
| Makayla Samaeli | Year 11 Dean |
| Louise Oliphant | Head of Learning Support (SACS) |



Thank you!

