

# What you need to know about NCEA



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# NCEA PRESENTATION

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# 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 [Schoolology](#) 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

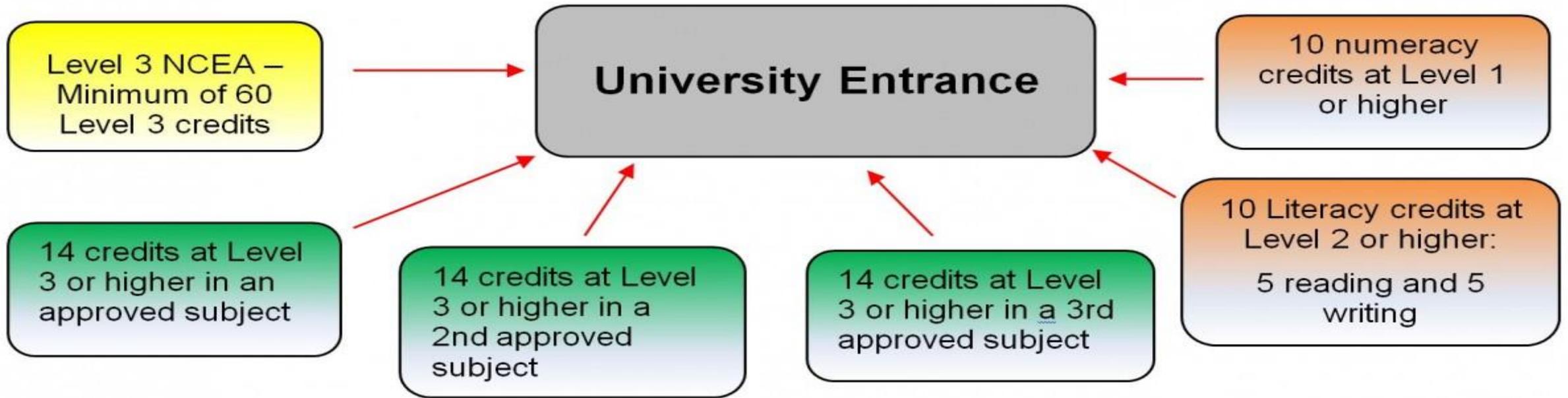
**Level 2 – Year 12**  
**80 credits**  
at level 2

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

Academic Honours Gold 50 credits at Excellence

Academic Honours Silver 50 credits at Merit and/or Excellence

## NCEA Level 2

Academic Honours Gold 50 credits at Excellence

Academic Honours Silver 50 credits at Merit and/or Excellence

## NCEA Level 3

Academic Honours Gold 50 credits at Excellence

Academic Honours Silver 50 credits at Merit and/or Excellence



# Scholars Badge

## Sancta Maria College Academic Honours

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



## **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.

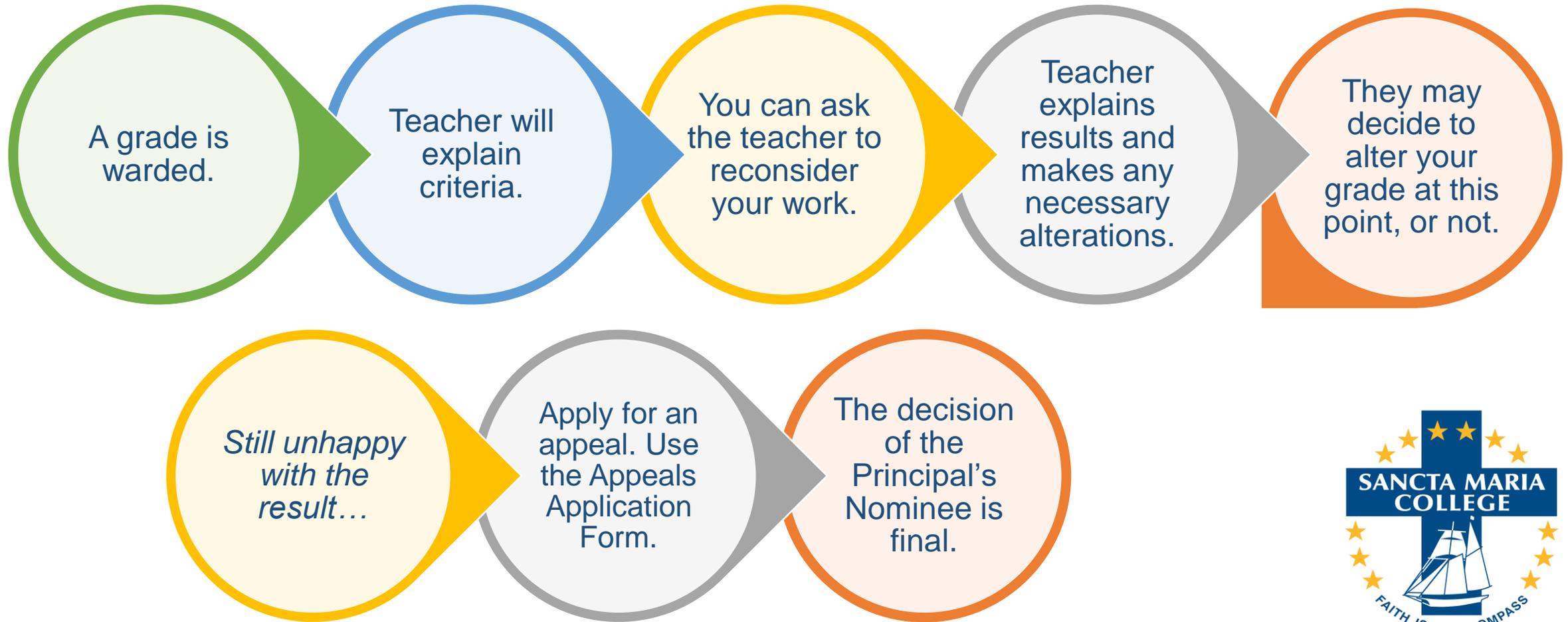
- You will be asked to sign a document that the work you are handing in is entirely your own.
- Departments may also ask you to provide draft copies, complete tasks in class, reference accurately all sources of information or other methods to prove authenticity.



# 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](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.

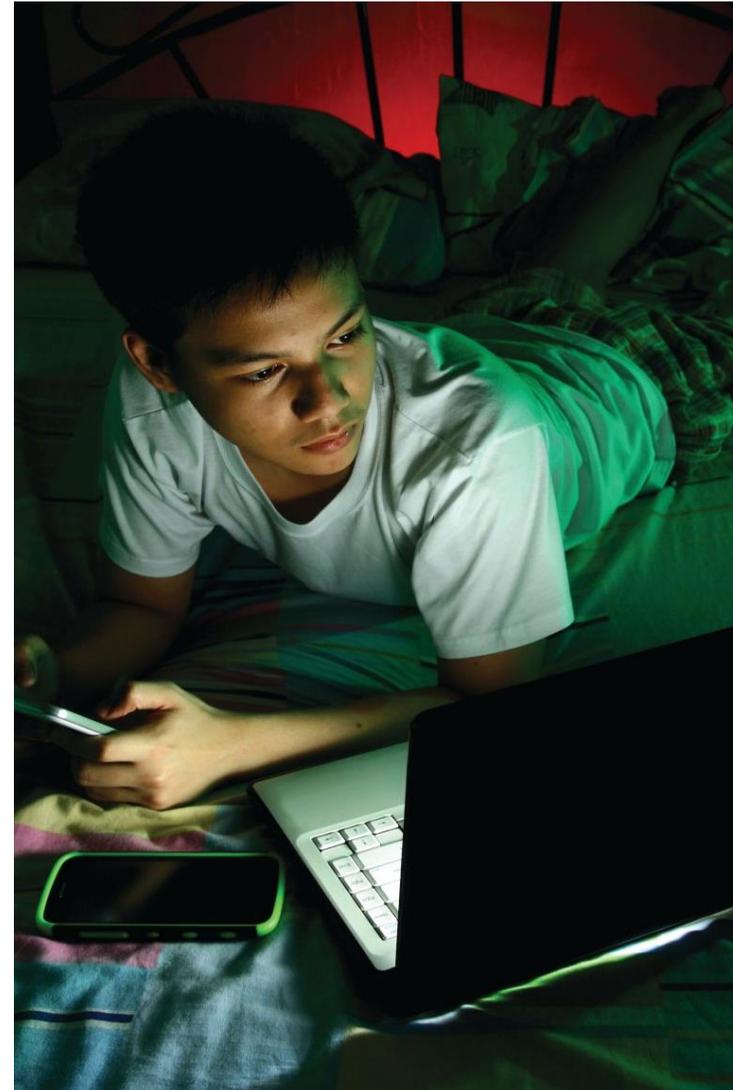


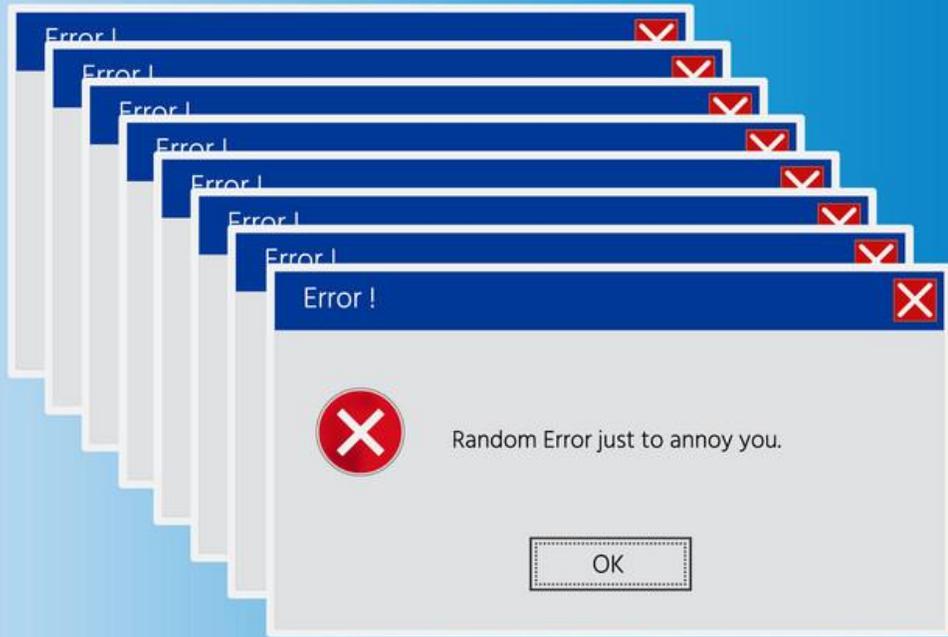
# Do you know what happens behind closed doors?

- 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?

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



# Thank you!

