## Memo

### Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority

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# Applications open for external assessment markers

## **Purpose**

- To notify teachers, schools and other eligible applicants (OEAs) that the QCAA is seeking
  applications to mark senior external assessment in 2024.
- To remind 2023 markers to reapply, as QCAA chief marker, lead marker and marker roles are annual appointments.

## **Background**

The QCAA employs and trains practising Queensland teachers and OEAs with relevant experience (e.g. retired teachers, academics, teachers from other jurisdictions) to mark external assessment for General, General (Extension) and General (Senior External Examination (SEE)) syllabuses using an online marking platform.

#### Information

In this appointment process, the QCAA is seeking applications for the following QCAA assessor (external assessment marking) roles:

- markers (including oral assessment markers for SEE languages)
- lead markers
- · chief markers.

Applicants should note that:

- chief markers, lead markers and markers for subjects scheduled in Week 4 of the marking operation will participate in full-day marking
- chief markers will participate in the reassessment process. Chief markers should also be available for the reassessment period from 13 December 2024 to 15 January 2025
- markers for SEE languages oral assessments should also be available for the SEE languages written assessments
- all markers must check they can be released from their school.

The external assessment timetable will be released on the QCAA website in Term 2: www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/assessment/external-assessment/timetable.



#### Benefits of becoming a QCAA assessor

#### QCAA assessors:

- gain practical insight into assessment in the QCE system
- increase their understanding of good assessment design and making judgments about student work
- gain CPD points for Queensland College of Teachers registration renewal
- network with other like-minded professionals
- share expertise with their school/colleagues
- earn extra income.

#### Important dates

- Closing date: midnight 4 August 2024
- · Offer rounds:
  - Round 1 July 2024
  - Round 2 August 2024
- Marking operation runs from early October to the end of November 2024 or until all scripts are marked.

## What you need to do

- Encourage teachers and OEA to apply.
- Remind 2023 markers to reapply as marking is an annual appointment.
- See 'Marking external assessment' under QCAA assessors on the QCAA website
  (www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/assessment/qcaa-assessors/external-assessment-marking) for
  detailed information about eligibility requirements, selection and training, remuneration, and
  the application process for practising Queensland teachers and OEAs.

## Finding out more

For more information, including the position descriptions and FAQs, visit the 'Marking external assessment' page on the QCAA website.

Alternatively, please email externalassessment@gcaa.qld.edu.au.

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