

# NCEA Information Evening

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# Online resources

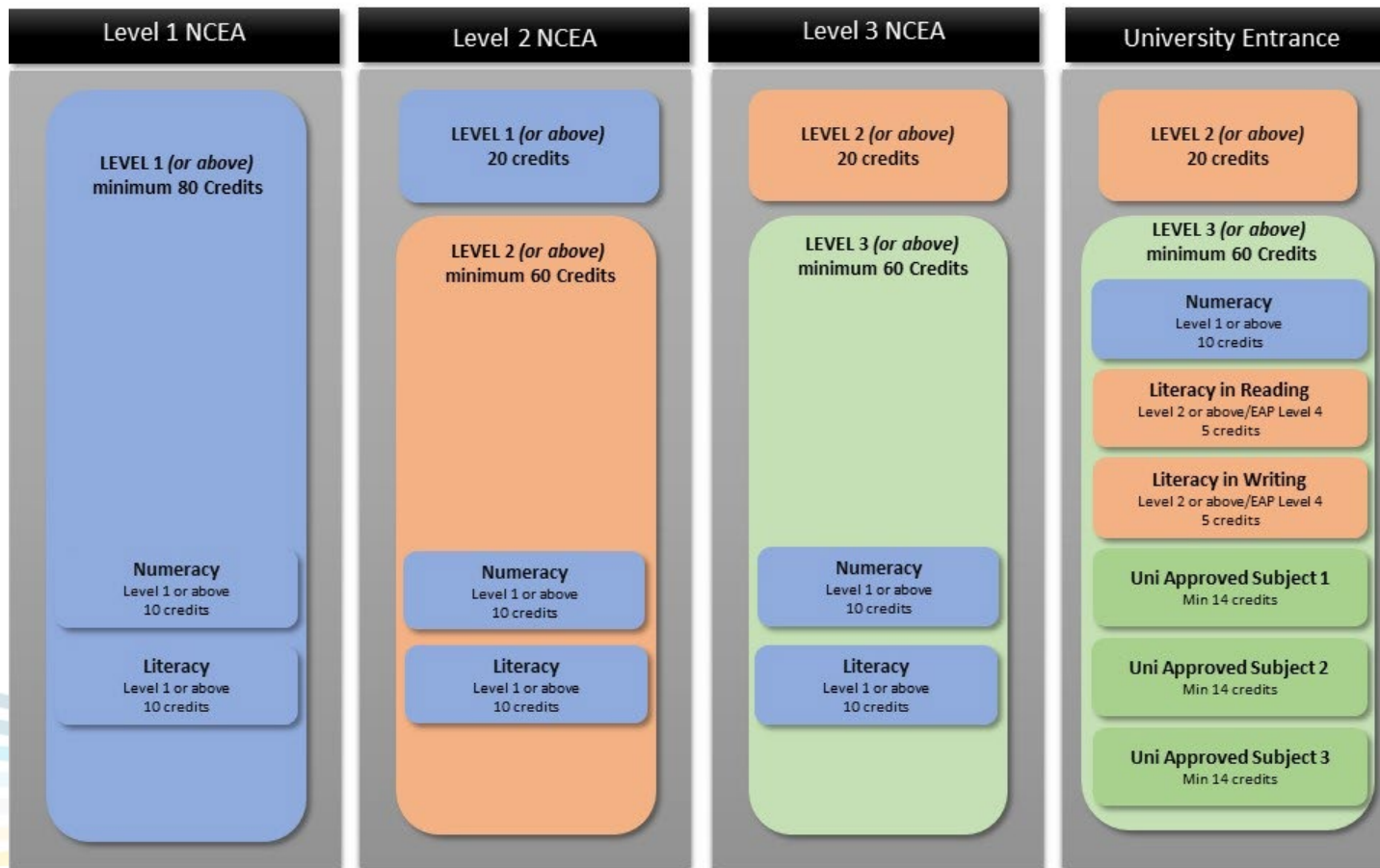
- Glossary of terms
- How NCEA works
- NCEA website
- NCEA app available from website - See also the Play store and Appstore
- 2020 Examination timetable
- Contact list for LBC staff



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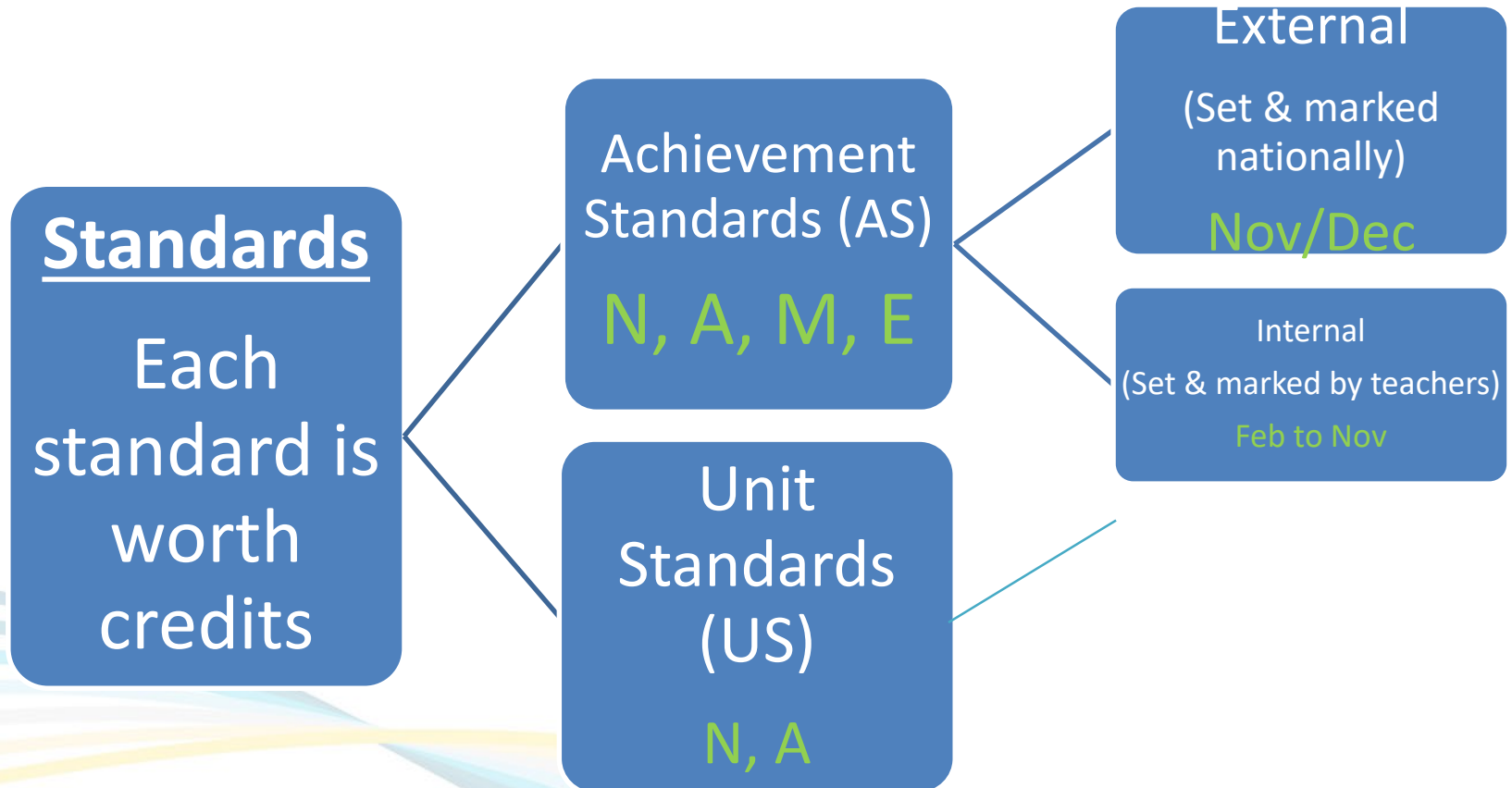
## NCEA Certificate Requirements for Level 1, 2 and 3



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# Subjects are made up of standards



# Endorsement

## Certificate endorsement

- Indicates high performance across a level with either excellence or merit
- 50+ cr at Excellence or 50+ cr at Merit

## Subject endorsement

- Indicated high performance in a subject in one year
- 14+ cr at Excellence or 14+ cr at Merit
- Must include 3 cr of both internal and external



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# Level 1

80 credits at L1  
or above

Must include:  
10 Literacy & 10  
Numeracy credits

# Level 2

Level 1 plus 60  
credits at L2 or  
above

Or 80+ L2 credits  
including 10 Lit &  
10 Num from L1

# Level 3

Level 2 plus 60  
credits at L3

Or 80+ credits  
including 10 Lit &  
10 Num from L1



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# Base requirement to pass Level 1

## Literacy

minimum of 10 literacy credits

Literacy credits reflect a student's writing, speaking and listening skills

## Numeracy

minimum of 10 numeracy credits

Numeracy credits reflect their number, measurement and statistical aptitude

Literacy and numeracy credits can be attained from a range of different subjects not just English and Mathematics



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# NZQA Scholarship

- Separate to L1, 2 & 3 NCEA
- Premier academic award for New Zealand secondary school students
- Assessed with a nationally set & marked exam in Nov/Dec
- Study for scholarship subjects is frequently supported by additional tutorials
- Separate fees



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# KNOW YOUR SUBJECTS



L1 Science External

Assessment Statement 2019

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Teacher in Charge: Mrs Samantha Lewis

**PRE-REQUISITES:**

**THIS COURSE LEADS TO:** Level 2 Science courses  
 All standards are compulsory unless stipulated optional.  
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Course is Endorsable				
Credits	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Internal	6			18
External	12			

Standard Number	Version	Level	Credits	Lit/Num	Title	Assessment Method	Number of Checkpoints (minimum 2)	Checkpoint Weeks eg Week 5 Term 1	Assessment Date eg Week 7 Term 1	Further Assessment opportunity Date
E 90944	4	1	4	/	Demonstrate understanding of aspects of acids and bases	NZQA Exam	2	T2W9 T3W3	November	Nil
E 90948	4	1	4	lit	Demonstrate understanding of biological ideas relating to genetic variation	NZQA Exam	2	T3W7 T4W2	November	Nil
E 90940	4	1	4	num	Demonstrate understanding of aspects of mechanics	NZQA Exam	2	T1W10 T2W2	November	Nil
90952	3	1	4	lit	Demonstrate understanding of surface features of New Zealand	Topic test	2	T1W3 T1W6	9 <sup>th</sup> March	Nil
90935	3	1	4	num	Carry out a physics investigation that leads to a linear mathematical relationship, with direction.	Formal practical and write up	2	T3W8 T4W2	24 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Nil
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**Derived Grade** - Importance of internal tests and formative assessments as they are used to generate the Derived Grade, if required.

**School Assessment Procedures** - You can view your rights and obligations under the school's assessment procedures on the schools intranet.

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# Derived Grades

- Application made to Principal's Nominee before 3rd December 2020
- Used if a student is unable to sit an external exam or may have impaired performance
  - Temporary illness or injury
  - Trauma (deeply distressing event)
  - Other serious event that is beyond their control
- Student will need to have passed the formative (school) exam in that standard to apply



# Time management

- NCEA assessment is continuous
- Students need your help to master managing their time
- Use assessment statements/information from teachers/exam timetable
- Year wall planner to record checkpoints & assessment dates
- Remind your student!



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# Online resources continued

- **Parent/Student information**
  - Student ID number & school password to access
  - Information on which standards have been achieved.
- **LBC Careers Site**
  - School email & password to access via Office 365
  - Lots of useful information about NCEA, career pathways, job vacancies, university, apprenticeships & more!
- **Student NZQA Notebook**
  - School email & password to access via Office 365
  - Missed assessment, exam timetable, etc.



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# Contacts

## Deans

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# Exams

## School exams

- 11 to 18 September 2020
- Practice for external exams
- Grades can be used for externals if a derived grade is needed
- Workshops for internal assessments also take place during this time

## NZQA exams

- 6 November to 2 December 2020
- Assessment of external achievement standards
- Only opportunity to sit these standards each year



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# Absent for an internal assessment?



- Students with a valid reason for absence should complete a missed assessment application
- Information in the student NZQA notebook
- Contact Year Level Dean or Principal's Nominee if help needed



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# What is NCEA?

- National Certificate in Educational Achievement
- NZ secondary qualification – Y11 to Y13 students
- Overseen by NZQA (New Zealand Qualifications Authority)
- Unique because:
  - Standards based
  - Flexible
  - Allows for different styles of assessment



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# Basics of NCEA

- 3 levels of certificate
  - Level 1 – need 80 credits are L1 or higher
  - Level 2 – need 80 credits (60 at L2 or higher and 20 credits at L1)
  - Level 3 – need 80 credits (60 at L3 or higher and 20 credits at L2)
- Must have 10 Level 1 Numeracy & 10 Level 1 Literacy to get any certificate
  - Standards with Lit & Num can be found in many subjects
- Both Unit Standards (US) and Achievement Standards (AS) counts towards NCEA



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# But what about UE?

- Additional qualification
- Minimum requirement for university entrance (many courses have extra)
- Year 13 students
- Requires study of at least 3 or more University Approved subjects (AS based courses)



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# University Entrance Requirements

NCEA Level 3

14 cr each in three approved L3 subjects

UE

10 literacy cr at L2 or above  
(5 reading & 5 writing)

10 numeracy cr at L1 or above



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# ENDORSEMENT?

## **e.g.** NCEA Level 1 with Merit

Certificate endorsement

- Multiple courses
- Multiple years
- 50 cr at E = excellence
- 50 cr at M/E = merit
- Credits can come from higher level

## **e.g.** L2ADS with Merit

Course endorsement

- Single course
- Single year
- 14 cr at E = excellence
- 14 cr at M/E = merit
- Min 3 cr each from external & internal (n/a for PED & L3 Visual Arts)



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# Not an endorsed subject

- US credits count towards NCEA certificate
- AS credits also count towards endorsement of NCEA certificate
- A subject (course) is not endorseable when:
  - Doesn't have AS worth 14 cr
  - And/or doesn't have min 3 cr internal and external



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# NZQA Scholarship

Scholarship candidates are expected to demonstrate high-level critical thinking, abstraction and generalisation, and to integrate, synthesise and apply knowledge, skills, understanding, and ideas to complex situations.



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# NZQA Scholarship

- Not part of NCEA but also run by NZQA
- Exam, Portfolio or Report
- Competitive with monetary rewards
- Does not contribute to UE
- Can be taken by any secondary student
  - E.g. Year 12 & then again n Year 13



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# NZQA Scholarship – how?

- 3 to 5 questions/components marked on 0-8 scale
  - 8 = outstanding answer
  - 1 = meagre understanding
  - 0 = blank/irrelevant
- Approx 3 % of Y13 students studying the subject at Level 3
  - Provided they reach the standard



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