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Curriculum

What is the Western Australian Curriculum?

The School Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA) is responsible for Kindergarten to Year 12 Curriculum, assessment, standards and reporting for all Western Australian Schools.

Benefits

- Equipping students with the skills, knowledge and capabilities to enable them to effectively engage with and prosper in society.
- Consistency between states and territories.
- National Achievement Standards and reporting expectations.
- Greater accountability

The Western Australian Curriculum Encompasses

- Learning Areas
- General Capabilities
- Cross-Curricular Perspectives

Learning Areas

- English (fully implemented)
- Mathematics (fully implemented)
- History (fully implemented)
- Science (fully implemented)
- Geography (fully implemented)
- The Arts (draft only)
- Languages (phasing in)
- Health and Physical Education (fully implemented)
- Technologies, Civics and Citizenship, Economics and Business (fully implemented)

What are the General Capabilities?

They encompass the knowledge, skills, behaviours and dispositions that, together with curriculum content in each learning area and the cross-curricular priorities, will assist students to live and work successfully in the twenty-first century.

Seven General Capabilities

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Information and Communication Technology Capability
- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Personal and Social Capability
- Ethical Behaviour
- Intercultural Understanding

What are the Cross-Curricular Perspectives?

In the Western Australian Curriculum, these have become priorities that provide students with the tools and language to engage with and better understand their world at a range of levels.

Cross Curricular Perspectives

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures.
- Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia.
- Sustainability

What is an Achievement Standard?

The achievement standards are developed based on two paragraphs (assessable elements or criteria).

- One for KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING and
- One for SKILLS