

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) is offering the administration of the on-line Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) during the fall and spring. Successful completion of the OSSLT or Literacy course (OLC40) is a graduation requirement.

**Saltfleet Grade 10 students as well as grade 11 and 12 students who have not met the requirement** will be participating in the OSSLT during the spring session which will run on **Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday April 18<sup>th</sup>**. All participating students should attempt the practice OSSLT before writing the test. On the test day students should bring their school-issued iPad fully charged and updated as the test is on-line. **Students with full eLearning timetables** will be writing in person as well.

All participants will complete the on-line assessment on a scheduled date (students have been informed and will be writing as homeroom class groups) during period one, the morning class, starting at 8:00 am. Students who participate in the test and are successful will have it counted on their transcript. If a student is unsuccessful this will grant the student eligibility to register in the **OLC40 course** to obtain the literacy graduation requirement OR they will have a second opportunity to write in the fall of 2023.

### **Preparing for the on-line OSSLT**

EQAO has offered students the opportunity to become familiar with the online test and its platform through EQAO's online practice test ([CLICK HERE](#)). Participating students are encouraged to prepare and practice before their designated test day. Students will also receive an email to their school email address from the teacher who will be supervising their OSSLT with the information required to log on to write the actual test.

### **Please Note:**

- All participating students will need to bring their **school-issued iPad to school fully charged** to complete the on-line assessment.
- Any students who require the use of audio features available during the OSSLT should bring headphones or earbuds compatible with the device they intend to use for the test.

For more information about EQAO and to view the full practice test, you are encouraged to visit EQAO's website [www.eqao.com](http://www.eqao.com).