

Assessment Accommodations

(aka: Concessions)



Dear Parents/Guardians

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It is that time of year again that we need to submit applications for assessment accommodations to the department.

What are assessment accommodations/concessions?

Concessions are accommodations that are made to help learners who experience barriers to learning, overcome that barrier in order to achieve their full academic potential. These concessions could take various forms eg. extra time (for learners with slow processing/working speed), large print (for learners who are partially sighted), use of a reader and scribe (for learners who are dyslexic) to name but a few.

Who can apply?

Learners who wish to apply for the use of concessions need to have a full psycho-educational assessment done by an educational psychologist. The psychologist will then compile a report which will include whether or not a learner will benefit from concessions and if so, which ones should be applied for. **NB-this report may not be older than two years.** Concessions are valid for an entire phase.

What are the next steps?

If your child is a first-time applicant or re-applicant (learners starting a new phase in Gr10 this year) and has not been assessed within the last two years, please make an appointment with an educational psychologist as soon as possible. The deadline for submitting applications to the department is in February and it is important that all documents are included in order to get a favourable outcome.

If you are in the process of having the assessment done, or you are planning to have it done, please send an email to neethlings@stirlinghs.co.za so that your child can be included in the list of learners to complete applications for. I will also send you details regarding deadlines and other information I may need from you.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me.

Kind regards

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