

Burnaby South Secondary School

June 2021 Grade 8 Honours Entrance Assessment Information

Due to covid-19 protocols, Burnaby South's Grade 8 Honours entrance assessments will be taking place **ONLINE** using Microsoft Teams.

All Burnaby school students have an Office 365 log-in that will allow them to access Microsoft Teams. If you do not have your log-in and/or password, please contact your Burnaby elementary school secretary immediately. If you are not currently a Burnaby public school student, please e-mail Amos.Lee@burnabyschools.ca for info on how to write the assessments. Please note that all assessment times are in the evening.

Assessment Dates and Times:

Subject	Date and Time	Time Limit
Science 8 Honours	Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:00 PM	15 minutes
Math 8 Honours	Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:30 PM	20 minutes
English 8 Honours	Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 7:00 PM	15 minutes
Socials 8 Honours	Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 7:30 PM	20 minutes

Practice Assessment Date and Times (simulation of the actual exam):

Subject	Date and Time	Time Limit
English/Socials and Science 8 Honours	Friday, June 4, 2021 at 7:00 PM (practice is the same for all 3 subjects)	15 minutes
Math 8 Honours	Friday, June 4, 2021 at 7:30 PM	20 minutes

We want all students to practice using Microsoft Teams during the practice assessment dates and times so that they can get comfortable with writing an assessment online. The questions on the practice are not meant to be sample questions for the actual assessment. The start time is there for students who want to experience the timing of the assessment. If you can't get online at the start time, the practice assessments will be available until 10:00 pm on Sunday June 6. The practice assessment will also include the following statement that all students need to agree to before being able to write the actual assessment.

I understand that all the responses that I provide on the ACTUAL Honours entrance assessment will be solely my own. I will not consult other individuals, the internet or any other resources during the testing time. I will be allowed to ask a parent or older sibling to help upload answers (if needed), but they cannot help me answer the questions in any way. Your current Grade 7 teacher(s) may also be provided with a copy of your responses. Failure to adhere to these statements will void my application to enter Grade 8 Honours courses for September 2020 and may also prevent me from applying to future Honours/AP courses at Burnaby South.

**ALL STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE THE PRACTICE ASSESSMENT BEFORE
THEY CAN DO THE ACTUAL EXAM.**

Assessment Content Information:

Subject	Information
English 8 Honours	The assessment will have only 1 question. Students will be asked to write a response to a prompt.
Socials 8 Honours	The assessment will have only 1 question. Students will be asked to read a newspaper article and write a response to a prompt.
Science 8 Honours	The assessment will have 3 questions. Given some written and graphical information, students will be asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• draw conclusions from the information provided• create an experiment using given parameters
Math 8 Honours	<p>The assessment will have 5 questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students will be asked to write out their solutions showing their work to justify their answer.• Calculators are allowed for this assessment, but may not be needed for all questions. <p>For this assessment, the upload of student responses can be done using one of three ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Installing the Microsoft Teams APP onto a smartphone, then taking a photo of the math responses and uploading them directly to Microsoft Teams APP on the phone• Using a tablet (an electronic device with a writing instrument) to write math responses, then saving the file and uploading it to Microsoft Teams• Taking a photo of the math responses and sending it to Amos.Lee@burnabyschools.ca. A reply confirming receipt of the responses will be sent.

There is also an EXAM TESTING GUIDE that shows students and parents screen shots of what they should see on Microsoft Teams before, during and after the assessment. Please review this document before the practice assessment date.

In addition to the testing guide, there is also a YOUTUBE video showing a simulation of the PRACTICE exam so that students and parents can get more comfortable with the interface. You can find it at: <https://youtu.be/Hv-kFfPoH2c>

If you have any questions about this, please e-mail Amos.Lee@burnabyschools.ca.