

Diploma Exam Rules – Information for Students

During the administration of diploma exams, students are expected to adhere to the following rules:

Part A: Written Response Humanities Diploma Exams

- No personal electronic devices are allowed in the exam room (even if they are turned off). Examples of personal electronic devices that are not allowed include, but are not limited to, cell phones, wearable technology, etc.
- No print materials, with the exception of approved dictionaries, thesauruses, and/or writing handbooks can be brought into the exam room. Approved print materials must not contain any extraneous text.
- Students are not permitted to bring study notes or blank pieces of paper into the exam room. For written response rough drafts, students may only use paper that is provided by the school. Students are encouraged to use their booklets for planning and working through their responses. All extra paper used by students during the diploma exam will be returned to Alberta Education.
- During the administration of the diploma exam, students may not discuss or share anything with other students in the exam room.
- Copying exam material and questions is prohibited.

If you require clarification regarding the titles of print materials that are permitted for Part A written response diploma exams, please speak with your teacher.

Part B: Humanities Diploma Exams

- No personal electronic devices are allowed in the exam room (even if they are turned off). Examples of personal electronic devices that are not allowed include, but are not limited to, cell phones, wearable technology, etc.
- No print materials can be brought into the exam room. Dictionaries and thesauruses are not permitted for part B Humanities diploma exams.
- Students are not permitted to bring study notes or blank pieces of paper into the exam room. Students are encouraged to use their booklets for planning and working through their responses. All extra paper used by students during the diploma exam will be returned to Alberta Education.
- During the administration of the diploma exam, students may not discuss or share anything with other students in the exam room.
- Copying exam material and questions is prohibited.

Math and Science Diploma Exams:

- No personal electronic devices, with the exception of approved calculators, are allowed in the exam room (even if they are turned off). Examples of electronic devices that are not allowed include, but are not limited to, cell phones, wearable technology, etc. Approved calculators must be cleared by a supervisor before and after the diploma exam.
- No print materials can be brought into the exam room. Dictionaries and thesauruses are not permitted for part B Humanities diploma exams.
- Students are not permitted to bring study notes or blank pieces of paper into the exam room. If students require paper for calculations, they may only use paper that is provided by the school. Students are encouraged to use their booklets for planning and working through their responses. All extra paper used by students during the diploma exam will be returned to Alberta Education.
- During the administration of the diploma exam, students may not discuss or share anything with other students in the exam room.
- Copying exam material and questions is prohibited.

If you require clarification regarding the types of calculators that are permitted for math or science diploma exams, please speak with your teacher.

Incidents where students do not adhere to diploma exam rules will be reported to Alberta Education. Failure to adhere to exam administration rules can result in students having their diploma exam declared invalid.