

CIRCULAR NO. 1/2024

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TO: PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS ENTERING CANDIDATES FOR THE 2024 FURTHER STUDIES PROGRAMMES: AFRIKAANS, ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICS

REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR THE FURTHER STUDIES PROGRAMME

The IEB will assess the Further Studies subjects in May and October 2024.

These subjects are not included as part of the NSC; therefore, the learners' results will **not** be included on the National Senior Certificate. Learners who achieve **50% and above** will receive a certificate for the subjects offered. These certificates are for an NQF-registered and University of Stellenbosch quality-assured course.

Further Studies Mathematics

Learners may register in the following ways:

FS Mathematics (Standard)	Will write the standard paper only	Will receive a certificate if they obtain 50%
FS Mathematics (Extended)	 Must be registered for the standard option as well as one elective subject Must write both papers 	 Learners will receive the Extended Qualification if they achieve at least 50% in the standard paper and a result of 50% with both papers combined. If the learner is registered for both modules but does not achieve 50%, the learner's result could be converted to the standard option if the learner achieved 50% in the standard paper.
 Further Studies – Elective Finance Graph Theory & Matrices Statistics 	Learners are registered for the elective module only	- Learners will receive a subject statement. For the learner to receive a certificate, the learner must meet the requirements for the standard or extended options.

Language in which learners require the question paper

The Further Studies Mathematics and Physics papers are available in English and Afrikaans. Learners who require the question papers for these subjects in Afrikaans are required to indicate this on the online registration form for the respective examinations.

Learners who wish to register for the May 2024 Examinations

- Registrations for the May examinations will be open from 1 to 15 March 2024.
- Schools are required to submit the registration forms for learners by 15 March 2024 to Kgomotso Tau at <u>tauk@ieb.co.za</u>.
- The May Examinations will be written at designated examination venues across the country.
- Applications will be open for
 - Learners who were absent from the November 2023 examinations
 - Learners who want to improve their marks
 - Learners who want to complete the Further Studies Assessments earlier in the year (i.e. grade 11 or 12 learners of 2024)

The Further Studies Mathematics examination is scheduled to be written on 22 May 2024. Dates for the other subjects will be confirmed once the May exam timetable has been finalised.

Registration for the October 2024 Examinations

Schools that wish to register candidates for the October 2024 examinations are required to complete and return the attached School Information Sheet to the IEB by **28 February 2024**. The closing date for the registration of candidates is **31 March 2024**. The learner registration form is also attached. Please complete a separate form for each candidate. Please draw the learners' attention to the IEB's Privacy Policy that is included on the form.

The IEB enters into agreements with the schools who register learners for the Further Studies Programme and not with individual learners or their parents. It is therefore important that the school's details are completed on the School Information Sheet. Please note: the IEB will not make any changes to entries without a specific request from the principal/IEB liaison of the school.

The completed learner registration forms together with the proof of payment must reach the IEB by 31 March 2024.

The IEB recommends that the registration fee is paid to the school. The IEB will invoice the school for all learner registrations and one payment can be made to the IEB by the school. Where learners pay the IEB directly, please ensure that they use their full name and school name as the reference. The proof of payment must be submitted with the application form. Please note that learners who deregister from the Further Studies Programmes after 31 May 2024 will not be refunded.

Fees for the May 2024 and November 2024 Examinations

Further Studies: Afrikaans / English / Physics	R1 235
Further Studies: Mathematics Extended	R1 235
Further Studies: Mathematics Standard	R853
Further Studies: Mathematics Elective only	R393

Distribution of question papers to schools

Since 2021 the IEB has required schools to either

- purchase the Electronic Key or
- arrange to collect the question papers from an IEB-registered school or a school that had purchased the electronic key.

The school is required to indicate how they will receive the question papers from the IEB on the School Information Sheet. The same method will be used to return the answer scripts to the IEB.

The **preliminary examination dates** for the Further Studies examinations are listed below:

Further Studies English	Tuesday	15 October 2024
Further Studies Physics	Monday	21 October 2024
Further Studies Mathematics	Tuesday am & pm	22 October 2024

Registration queries should be addressed to Kgomotso Tau at 011 483 9773 or tauk@ieb.co.za.

Queries regarding the content of the curriculum can be directed as follows:

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