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Lambton Kent District School Board 200 Wellington St. P.O. Box 2019 Sarnia, Ontario N7T 7L2

Re: EQAO online OSSLT assessment scoring and reporting

The Lambton Kent District School Board is pleased to receive confirmation from the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) that the October 20, 2016 online Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) will be scored and reported for the following groups of students:

- Students for whom EQAO received complete responses for both Sessions 1 and 2 (i.e., Booklets 1 and 2) and
- Students for whom EQAO received a number of responses and a mix of different question types (i.e., multiple-choice, reading, short writing and long writing) from both Sessions 1 and 2 substantial enough to allow for a result.

EQAO has reported that students who were not able to access the testing site, who did not have the opportunity to complete the test or who were not successful will still be considered first-time eligible for the regularly scheduled OSSLT in March 2017. In addition, students who attempted the trial will be eligible for the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Course (OSSLC) at the principal's discretion.

Results from the October 20 online OSSLT will be sent to schools in mid-January 2017, as expected. Teachers will continue to work with students to prepare for the March OSSLT.

We greatly appreciated the resiliency our students and staff demonstrated through this process and we are satisfied with EQAO's solution to this issue.

Read the complete statement from EQAO:

http://www.lkdsb.net/Welcome/newsreleases/2016/EQAO Letter Students and Parents.pdf

Sincerely,

Jim Costello Director of Education Lambton Kent District School Board