

CALCULATOR POLICY

As recommended by the British Columbia Ministry of Education, calculators used in schools must be hand held devices primarily for mathematical computations. Each course has unique requirements, and students should consult with their teacher to confirm what specific functions are required. All students in Math 8-10 and students in Apprenticeship and Workplace 11 must have a teacher approved scientific calculator for classroom use. All students in Foundations and Pre-Calculus Math 11 and 12, and students in the IB Diploma Program must have a teacher approved graphing calculator for classroom use. For more information on calculator policy please see the Ministry of Education website:

http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/calculators/calculator_policy.pdf

Calculator Regulations

Using a calculator that contains information that would be unacceptable in paper form (e.g. programs or pre- entered notes) is prohibited unless previously approved by the teacher. Additionally, calculators are not to be shared during any form of assessment (e.g. assignment, quiz, test, or exam). This will be treated as cheating. All electronic devices that are not primarily used for mathematical computations (e.g. cell phones, musical devices, translators) are not to be used as calculators at school. Please refer to the section in the student agenda on communication devices. The use of a communication device in relation to any form of assessment will be treated as cheating according to the School, District and Ministry of Education policies. As per the Ministry of Education requirements, during provincial exams a math or science teacher will conduct a calculator inspection for those exams where calculators are allowed.