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## **USING AMEB SPEECH RESULTS AS ENDORSED PROGRAMS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL WACE GRADUATION FOR THE PERIOD 2015-2019**

This document replaces any that detailed WACE requirements until the end of 2014. From 2015, new conditions as outlined below will apply.

All students graduating from senior secondary school in WA receive the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) from the School Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA). All students leaving secondary school, including those who do not graduate, also receive a Statement of Results which records all Subjects, Courses, **Endorsed Programs** and Vocational Education and Training credited to them during Years 10, 11 and 12.

AMEB practical and theoretical speech examinations are recognised by SCSA as providing worthwhile learning experiences. So most AMEB higher grade speech practical and theory exams are officially approved as **Endorsed Programs** that can contribute towards a student's school graduation requirements.

Specific AMEB practical speech examinations for individuals (SCSA refers to them as AMEB Solo Speech Performance exams) from Grade 4 upwards, and AMEB speech theory exams (SCSA refers to them as AMEB Speech and Performance Theory exams) from Grade 2 upwards, can be used as part of the requirements for graduating from secondary school with a WACE. Students may learn out of school with a private teacher to qualify.

Teachers, parents and guardians need to be aware of the following with regard to Year 10, 11 and 12 students receiving WACE Unit credits from AMEB examination results:

- A parent, guardian or the student should notify their school before the end of Term 2 that an AMEB examination is likely to be taken during the year, so that it can be recorded as part of the student's course of study for that year and registered with the School Curriculum and Standards Authority.
- For Year 12 students only, the AMEB exam must be taken no later than the first week of October so that their result can be processed in time for their WACE. Year 10 and 11 students may take an exam at any time during each year.
- AMEB WACE Units can be earned only when a student is enrolled at school in Year 10, Year 11 and Year 12.
- AMEB WACE Units can be claimed and credited only in the year that the AMEB examination is passed.
- Students must take their ORIGINAL AMEB REPORT to their school as soon as possible, to verify their successful examination result. If students sit Online written examinations, they must remember to print off their results from the website.

See overleaf for information about the AMEB practical and theoretical speech examinations that are approved by SCSA as Units for WACE purposes from 2015.

## WACE UNITS for ENDORSED AMEB SPEECH EXAMS

### FOR THE PERIOD 2015-2019

- The Points System that operated until the end of 2014 has been replaced by Unit equivalents. From 2015, each AMEB speech grade examination listed below qualifies for EITHER ONE OR TWO UNITS for WACE purposes.
- WACE code numbers have been restructured. One single WACE code number now covers both the *Drama and Performance* and *Voice and Communication* practical syllabuses for the same grade (for example, the WACE code for Drama and Performance Grade 6 or Voice and Communication Grade 6 is PAMS6).
- A maximum of 4 of these Units in total may be used for the WACE, with no more than 2 Units in any one year. Exams may be taken during Years 10, 11 and 12.

	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>WACE UNITS</u>	<u>WACE CODE</u>
<u>Solo Speech Performance</u> exams come from the AMEB syllabuses for <b>Drama and Performance</b> and <b>Voice and Communication</b>	Grade 4	1	PAMS4
	Grade 5	1	PAMS5
	Grade 6	1	PAMS6
	Grade 7	1	PAMS7
	Grade 8	1	PAMS8
	CVCA	2	PAMSCV
	APCA	2	PAMSAP
	CDPA	2	PAMSCD
	APDA	2	PAMSAD
	LDPA	2	PAMSLD
<u>Speech and Performance Theory</u> exams come from the AMEB syllabus <b>Speech and Performance Theory</b>	Grade 2	1	PAMST2
	Grade 3	1	PAMST3
	Grade 4	1	PAMST4
	Grade 5	1	PAMST5
	Grade 6	1	PAMST6
	Grade 7	1	PAMST7

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