



Media Release

DSBN Students Achieve Strong Results in EQAO Assessments

September 28, 2026 – Each year, the Education, Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) administers standardized assessments in reading, writing and math for students in Grades 3 and 6. Grade 9 students complete a math assessment, while Grade 10 students write the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT), a graduation requirement that measures key literacy skills.

The District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) is pleased with its results on the 2025-26 EQAO assessments. DSBN students exceeded the provincial average in all eight assessed areas, with achievement levels ranging from five to 16 percentage points above provincial results.

Grade 3 and Grade 6 Results

Grade 3	2025/26 DSBN	2025/26 Province
Reading	86%	75%
Writing	80%	67%
Math	81%	65%

Grade 6	2025/26 DSBN	2025/26 Province
Reading	94%	86%
Writing	94%	85%
Math	68%	52%

Grade 9 Math & Grade 10 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)

Assessment	2025/26 DSBN	2025/26 Province
Grade 9 Math	68%	59%

Assessment	2025/26 DSBN	2025/26 Province
Grade 10 OSSLT	91%	86%

“We are incredibly proud of the strong EQAO results achieved by our students, teachers and schools. This is a significant achievement and a testament to the collective efforts of educators, support staff, administrators and families who work together to support student success. At the same time, the data provides valuable insights into where further growth is possible. Even with these strong outcomes, our work continues. We remain committed to using data to guide our efforts, strengthen learning opportunities and ensure every student receives the resources and supports they need to continue learning and achieving at their highest potential,” said Kelly Pisek, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Education Officer.

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