

FAQs For Class X and XII Examinations

1.	What is the percentage of attendance required to appear in the Secondary / Senior Secondary examination?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. At least 75% attendance in an academic session is required to be eligible to appear for the Classes IX, X, XI & XII examination. Candidates taking up a subject(s) involving practical examination are also required to have put in at least 75% of the total attendance for practical work in the subject in the laboratory.2. In respect of students participating in Sports at National level organized by recognized Federations/CBSE/School Games Federation of India (SGFI), the required percentage of attendance is 60%. Such candidates taking up subject(s) involving practical examination are also required to have put in at least 60% of the total attendance for practical work in the subject in the laboratory.3. 15% only can be condoned by the Chairman in exceptional circumstances created on medical grounds, such as candidate suffering from serious diseases like cancer, AIDS, TB or similar serious diseases requiring long period of hospitalization.
2.	Can a student be detained from appearing in Board examination?	In no case Heads of affiliated schools can detain eligible candidates from appearing at the examination except in the case of shortage of attendance of the student.
3.	When a candidate drops one year, what is the syllabus applicable for the following examinations?	The candidate has to appear in the syllabus prescribed for the year in which he/she plans to appear for the examination. Refer to Curriculum available on the website.
4.	Will a student lose marks if he/she opts for Hindi as a medium for writing Class XII Board examination?	No. As the Question papers are bilingual, the students can write their answers in Hindi or English medium.
5.	Does poor handwriting affect performance in the Board exams? Is there any speed limit?	No. However, answers should be written in neat and legible. There is no speed rate prescribed. It is better to divide time and plan answers while reading the question paper in the beginning itself.

6.	Is it possible to write answers from last section at first and then write answers for questions which were not attended earlier	You can write answers to questions in any order. There will not be any deduction of marks. However, it is suggested that questions from the same section should be answered together.
7.	Do examiners deduct marks for exceeding the word limit and spelling mistakes, especially in the language papers?	The approximate word limit is given for short and long answer questions and students are expected to write answers within the word limit.
8.	I'm in Class XII, I want to know if solving the NCERT questions and CBSE sample papers is sufficient to score good marks?	The CBSE has uploaded Syllabus, Sample Question Papers, Blueprint and Marking Scheme on its Academic website www.cbseacademic.in You may also refer to the previous years' question papers and marking schemes given on the Board's website www.cbse.nic.in > Examinations.
9.	I am in Class XII Science stream and would like to know whether Clark's tables are allowed for the final exams. And for which all subjects are they allowed?	Clarks Tables/Logarithmic Tables are allowed for the Board examinations in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry.
	I would like to know whether a student can use the basic calculator in the exam. State-run schools allow the same.	Use of calculator is not allowed in CBSE examinations.
10.	Will the marks in the Pre-board be counted in final result in class	No. However, getting good marks in the Pre-boards clearly indicate that one has prepared well. Being consistent in preparations will definitely fetch good marks in board exams as well.
11.	Does CBSE give any exemption to the differently abled candidates?	Yes, Spastic, Visually Impaired, Physically Handicapped, Dyslexic, Autistic and candidates with disabilities as defined in the PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2016 are permitted to use a Scribe or allowed Compensatory time as given below or both : For paper of 3 hours duration 60 minutes For paper of 2½ hours duration 50 minutes For paper of 2 hours duration 40 minutes For paper of 1½ hours duration 30 minutes Note: Please refer to circular dated 24 th January, 2017 available on Board's www.cbse.nic.in > Examinations> Examination Bye-Laws.

12.	Is Date of Birth reflected in Gradesheet cum Certificate of Performance?	Yes. The Date of Birth of the candidate as entered in the records of the Board/School is indicated in class X in Gradesheet cum Certificate of Performance/Statement of Subjectwise Performance.
13.	Is a candidate eligible to improve his / her performance?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Yes. A candidate who has passed class X/XII examination of the Board can re-appear for improvement of performance in one or more subjects in main examination in succeeding year only in the subject(s) in which he/she has appeared in the main examination. 2. Candidate can appear as private candidate; those re-appearing for the entire examination can also appear as regular candidates if admitted by the school.
14.	Is the marksheet/ GradeSheet Cum Certificate of Performance same for Improvement examination and main examination?	No. Candidate who appears for improvement examination is issued only Statement of Marks reflecting marks obtained in the improvement examination in class XII and grade(s) in class X.
15.	What is the procedure for appearing in examination for additional subjects?	You can offer an additional subject within 6 years of passing the examination. You can appear at the annual examination only.
16.	Can a candidate simultaneously appear for Improvement as well as Additional subject examination?	No. A candidate appearing under Improvement of Performance category cannot appear for additional subject simultaneously.
17.	Is a new marksheet issued after verification?	Yes. A new mark-sheet is issued in case of change in marks. The candidate has to surrender the old marks statement.