Definitions for Open Data – Graduation Assessments Participation

Column	Definition
[Definition of extract]	This extract contains information on the results of the Grade 10 Graduation Numeracy Assessment and Grade 10/12 Literacy Assessment for first time Grade 10/12 students taking the assessments for the first time. Results include the number of students, number of writers, and the calculated participation rate. This information is based on September enrolment data. The data in this table begins with school year 2017/2018.
[Technical Notes]	These provincial assessments measure student proficiency in numeracy and literacy. They are a graduation requirement and students take the assessments in their Grade 10/12 year. Students have opportunities to rewrite the graduation assessments. 'Msk' (masked) values are for numbers fewer than 10, to prevent the identification of individuals.
[Key References]	Ministry of Education: Reporting on K-12 Glossary of Terms
	Graduation Requirements
	Graduation Information for Students
	Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment
	Grade 10 Literacy Assessment
	Grade 12 Literacy Assessment
SCHOOL_YEAR	The school year that commences on July 1 and ends the following June 30.
	For this dataset, the earliest school year is '2017/2018'.
DATA_LEVEL	Use this column to select results at the province, district, or school level.
	Values: 'District Level' 'Province Level' 'School Level'
PUBLIC_OR_INDEPENDENT	Use this column to select only public schools, independent schools, or both school types.
	Values: 'BC Independent School' 'BC Public School' 'Province-Total' (= a rollup of both school types)

Column	Definition
DISTRICT_NUMBER	The number of the school district. This does not include independent school authorities.
	This value is a 3-digit string (e.g., 005, 023). However, leading zeros may be automatically removed when opening the file in Excel. See <i>Working with the Graduation Assessments Participation extract</i> guide for tips on how to prevent this from happening.
	For the actual name of the district, please see the column DISTRICT_NAME.
DISTRICT_NAME	The name of the school district. This does not include independent school authorities.
	For the number of the district, please see the column DISTRICT_NUMBER.
SCHOOL_NUMBER	The current eight-digit numerical identifier assigned to the school by the Ministry of Education and Child Care. This is also known as the Mincode ("Ministry Code"). The first three digits are often the district number (or geographic district number). However, leading zeros may be automatically removed when opening the file in Excel See Working with the Graduation Assessments Participation extract guide for tips on how to prevent this from happening.
	For the actual name of the school, please see the column SCHOOL_NAME.
SCHOOL_NAME	The current name of the school. For the number of the school (Mincode), please see the column SCHOOL_NUMBER.
SUB_POPULATION	Use this column to select a subset of the student population. Set this column to 'All Students' to see how all students performed.
	Values: 'All Students' 'Diverse Abilities' (formerly 'Special Needs') 'Indigenous' 'Non Diverse Abilities' (formerly 'Non Special Needs') 'Non Indigenous'
	Some of these values are binary; in other words, they are mutually exclusive. The binary pairs are 'Indigenous' and 'Non Indigenous'; 'Diverse Abilities' and 'Non Diverse Abilities'.
	'Diverse Abilities' includes all 12 Special Need categories (including P – Gifted).

Column	Definition
GRADE	The grade the student was in when they wrote the assessment. Values: '10' '12'
GRADUATION_ASSESSMENT	The name of the graduation assessment written. Values: 'Literacy Assessment 10' 'Literacy Assessment 12' 'Numeracy Assessment 10'
NUMBER_STUDENT	The number of students enrolled in Grade 10/12 at the selected jurisdictional level.
NUMBER_WRITERS	The number of students enrolled in Grade 10/12 at the selected jurisdictional level who wrote the assessment.
PARTICIPATION_RATE	This is the distinct count of participants divided by the distinct count of all students in that grade who wrote a particular assessment.