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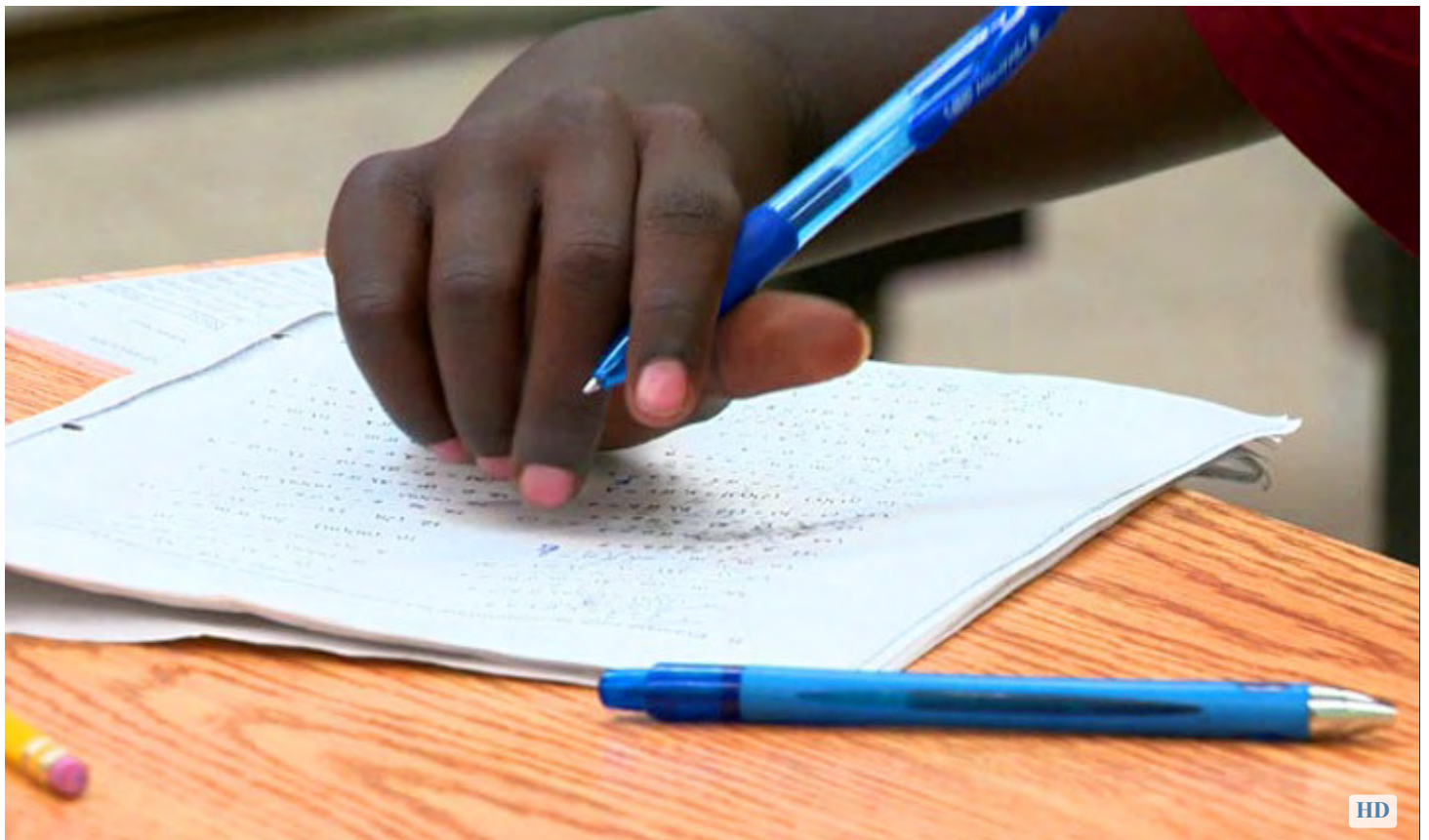
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SASKATOON – Saskatchewan is holding strong on teaching children handwriting in school.

Many U.S. states, as well as Ontario and Quebec, have taken cursive writing out of their curriculum.

Tim Caleval with the Ministry of Education says there are no plans to discontinue teaching cursive writing to Grade 3 students, and they haven't had any calls to stop teaching it.

Arguments for getting rid of cursive writing include people don't use handwriting very much anymore, so it's not really necessary.

But Caleval says there is research that has found cursive writing helps students become better readers.

He also says there are studies that have found students are better able to recognize written language when they are taught cursive writing.



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