

14 June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Provisional release of GCSE results for WJEC qualifications regulated by Qualifications Wales

Results Day for Level 2 Qualifications is Thursday 12 August.

For WJEC qualifications, we are required to issue your son/daughter with their *provisional* grades before 30 June. We will be doing this in school from 9.30am on **Tuesday 22 June**.

The WJEC qualifications affected are GCSE Maths, Art, Drama, French, Product Design, RE, Spanish and Textiles. The WJEC Level 2 Certificate in Additional Mathematics is regulated by Ofqual not Qualifications Wales and so results for this subject cannot be released until Results Day. Cambridge International and Pearson BTEC are not allowing any release of their results until Results Day. We will also provide provisional grades for SQA Practical Cookery on Tuesday 22 June. SQA Skills for Work Engineering results will be available on Results Day.

Grades for WJEC GCSEs issued in June are provisional. Their early release will provide some additional certainty to learners after what has been a challenging period of learning and assessment. Early release of provisional grades will also allow for errors to be investigated and corrected.

Please find attached more information about grade reviews and appeals which applies to WJEC and – to the extent currently known – the other examination boards.

Should you have any questions please email <u>crhsenquiries@sch.im</u> or call 693500, addressing your request to Miss Evans, Examinations Officer.

Yours faithfully

Mr K Winstanley

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Headteacher



Summer 2021 Grades - Review Processes

If you believe that an error has been made in determining your grade you can request a review.

WJEC

If, upon receipt of their WJEC provisional results on Tuesday 22 June, your son/daughter genuinely believes than an error has been made that has had a material effect on the accuracy of their provisional centre determined grade, they may request more information from us about how that grade has been determined. This request should be made to Miss Evans, Examinations Officer, by the end of the school day on **Friday 25 June**. The information will be provided to learners by Tuesday 29 June. Once they have received the information learners have until end of school on Wednesday 7 July to request a centre review, which is Stage 1 of the Appeals process. A review form must be completed where the learner has to explain the error they believe has occurred. Learners must give their written consent prior to the review being undertaken as their provisional grade could go down, up or stay the same as a result of the review. We will inform your son/daughter of our decision on their review by Thursday 15 July. If following receipt of our decision your son/daughter believes that the error still persists they can request that we submit an appeal to WJEC, which is Stage 2 of the Appeals process. Stage 2 appeals can only be requested after Results Day in August, with WJEC's published window for requesting GCSE Stage 2 appeals being 24 August – 21 September. The delay in the start date is due to the prioritisation of appeals for Year 13s who need to meet the conditions of their firm University place. Requests for a Stage 2 Appeal will be accepted by WJEC only if either a) a Stage 1 appeal (request for centre review) has been made to school by our deadline or b) the grade issued by WJEC on results day is different from the provisional grade issued by school on 22 June.

SQA

For SQA Practical Cookery, learners may appeal directly via the SQA website. Please see https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/79049.html

Other qualifications

Results for other qualifications will be issued for the first time on Results Day. Learners who believe that an error may have been made in determining their grade and who wish to find out more about the review processes should speak to Miss Evans, Examinations Officer. On results day itself, our first priority is the issue of results to all learners, so more detailed conversations may need to be scheduled for later that day or subsequent days. All appeals/reviews will need to be formally requested in writing because grades can go down, stay the same or go up. Please note that the post-results appeals processes require the prioritisation of Year 13 students who are seeking a review in order to achieve the conditions of their firm university choice above all other appeals.

BTEC

If a learner believes than an error has been made, they will be able to request a Centre Review which is Stage 1 of the Appeals process. A Centre Review can be requested only in respect of an administrative or procedural error which a learner believes we have made. The final deadline for the formal request for Centre Review is **3 September**. We must complete these reviews by 10 September. Following receipt of our Stage 1 decision, a learner may request that we submit a request for a Stage 2 Appeal to Pearson, either on the same grounds or additionally that there has been an unreasonable exercise of academic judgement in determining the grade, meaning that



there is no basis upon which the grade awarded could properly have been given. The final deadline for us to formally request a Stage 2 Appeal from Pearson is **17 September**.

Cambridge International

Cambridge International exams have taken place as normal in most of the world. They have yet to provide full details of the post-results checks and appeals service in respect of jurisdictions, like the UK and Isle of Man, which are following the school assessed grades route. IGCSE Results will be issued on 12 August following which it currently appears that school will be able to request a review of a learner's grade for reasons including 1) we have made a clerical error in submitting it or 2) if we have been requested to perform a centre review of a grade, have done so, and the learner continues to have concerns about the grade issued. More information is expected to be available nearer to Results Day.