

Information relating to your GCSE results (following the government's announcement)

Introduction

- The GCSE exams this May-June have been cancelled.
- The government is aiming for grades to still be awarded to you for all the qualifications you have been taking.
- These grades will 'be indistinguishable' from those provided in other years given the unusual circumstances.
- They aim to:
 - provide these grades to you by the end of July
 - work with schools and exam boards to ensure that the grades are consistently applied for all students and reflect fairly the work you have put into your subjects

How will they produce the grades?

- They will ask your teachers to make a judgement about the grade they believe you would have received if the exams had gone ahead.
- This judgement will take into account a range of evidence and data including performance in your mock exam results as well as any non-examined assessment and any external exam components you have completed.
- They will then combine the judgements made by your teachers with other data which is available on prior attainment of students (e.g. Key Stage 2 SATs results where these are available).
- These two sets of information will then be used to calculate your final grade in each subject and this will be a best assessment of the work you have put in.

What happens if I am not happy with the grade I am awarded?

- You will be able to appeal if you believe the grade awarded is too low.
- You will also be able sit an exam 'at the earliest opportunity' in each subject if you are still unhappy with the grade (the timing of this will depend on when the virus outbreak is contained and things return to 'normal').
- You will also be able to sit your exams in summer 2021.

Things to note:

We are unsure from the government's document how many exams you will need to take in each subject if you decide to sit them 'at the earliest opportunity' or in summer 2021.

These proposals are sketchy and more details are going to be released soon.

It is important that you keep all your mock exam papers, exercise books, workbooks, internal assessments and tests as these may be needed by your teachers to support their judgement.