

19th January 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

You will recall that before the Christmas break we were endeavouring to keep you up to date with the alterations to the examinations due to be taken this summer. You will also now be aware that subsequently the government has stipulated that the examinations can now not take place in a way which is perceived to be fair to all.

On Friday Ofqual and the DfE launched consultations on both academic (A, AS & GCSE Consultation) qualifications and vocational (VTQ and General consultation)

The consultations are open for two weeks with submissions being due by 29th January 2021 at 23:45.

The A, AS and GCSE consultation sets out 68 questions and the proposals are that:

- students would continue with their education during this academic year;
- students would be assessed by their teachers in a period beginning in May into early June;
- teachers would submit grades to the examination boards by mid-June;
- external quality assurance by the examination boards would be ongoing throughout June;
- results would be issued to students once the QA process is complete, most likely in early July;
- student appeals could be submitted immediately following the issue of results and would first be considered by schools and colleges.

Through this joint consultation, Ofqual and the DfE want to hear the views of students who were due to take their examinations, their parents and carers, their teachers, school and college leaders and others who have an interest, including further and higher education providers, and employers. The response form is mainly designed through multiple-choice responses with spaces after each section to allow further comment.

Should you wish to be involved we suggest that you please make contact through the appropriate link given towards the beginning of this letter.

Yours faithfully

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