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Alan Salt Principal



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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you aware, the process for awarding grades to GCSE and A level candidates for the academic year 2019/20 has been decided by Ofqual and the DfE based on information given by schools.

The process that schools have gone through is as follows:

- Schools rank order pupils based on their performance at school
- Schools award an anticipated grade for each pupil and submit to Ofqual

Ofqual then analyse the results given from all schools, by subject, taking into account a number of factors including:

- the number of grades in each subject awarded in previous years nationally, as well as by school
- the previous performance of pupils in GCSE and end of primary school public examinations
- the past performance of the school by individual subject
- the past performance of pupils nationally in each subject

Ofqual have announced that grades awarded by them will be available on the designated results days in August, for A levels this will be Thursday August 13th and for GCSE, Thursday August 20th. Schools across Devon all feel that it is important for children to come into school to collect their results in person in order to support children in receiving the necessary guidance. We will be inviting students, parents and carers into the college in August, details attached and below.

A-Level Results Day is Thursday 13th August 2020

Results will be available from Kennicott from 9.00 am until midday.

If your son/daughter wishes to authorise someone (including parents/carers) to collect on their behalf then the student must email <u>exams@kingedwardvi.devon.sch.uk</u> with details of the name of the person who will be collecting.

Any uncollected results will be posted home.

GCSE Results Day and Sixth Form Enrolment Day is Thursday 20th August 2020

Results will be available from the Redworth Dining Hall from 9:00am.

If your son/daughter wishes to authorise someone (including parents/carers) to collect on their behalf then the student must email exams@kingedwardvi.devon.sch.uk with details of the name of the person who will be collecting.

Kennicott Sixth Form staff will be in the dining hall to oversee Sixth Form enrolment from 9.00am.









Any uncollected Year 11 results will be posted home.

Statutory guidance in relation to appeals

Ofqual have also provided details about the process for appeals following the publication of results. These are set out below.

When Ofqual published the outcome of the consultation on this summer's arrangements, they confirmed that a centre may appeal to the exam board if it believes:

- the centre itself made an error when submitting a centre assessment grade or rank order information; or
- if it believes an exam board made a mistake when calculating, assigning or communicating a grade.

Ofqual have ruled that a student **will not** be able to challenge their centre assessment grades and position in their centre's rank order. Ofqual have ruled that students be able to sit an Autumn series of exams in all GCSE, AS and A Level subjects.

The exact timing of the exams will be confirmed by Ofqual in due course, aiming for AS and A levels to be held in October and GCSEs in November. If you want to take exams in the Autumn then:

- **A-levels** Autumn Exams students contact <u>exams@kingedwardvi.devon.sch.uk</u> between 21st August and 1st September (entry deadline 4th)
- **GCSE** Autumn Exams students contact <u>exams@kingedwardvi.devon.sch.uk</u> between 7th and 16th September (entry deadline 18th for non-English & Maths, 4th October for Eng/Maths)

May I take this opportunity to wish you a happy, restful Summer. I hope to see many of you on our Results Days in August.

Yours sincerely,

Alan Salt Principal