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Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Year 13 results day

Although I have already written to you about our plans for results day, we now have a bit of additional information that we feel is important to share with you in advance of the day. So whilst we have repeated some information from the first letter, there is also new information contained here, including links to the latest DfE and Ofqual guidance around results some of which responds to some of the stories about results that have been in the press in recent days.

Results day this year will be a little different. We do feel it important that students get the opportunity to attend school to collect results and have time to see staff and students, while being mindful of social distancing measures. We see results day as an important day in our students' lives and that we share in the successes and support with the next steps of their learning journey.

In order to ensure we are able to maintain social distancing requirements we will be allocating each student a time slot to attend the academy to pick up results according to their surname initial. We will have to follow a strict set of social distancing protocols in order to ensure everyone's safety. Please see the table below for your allocated slot time and read and adhere to the results day guidelines

Surname initial	Time slot
A to B	8.30 to 8.50
C to G	8.50 to 9.10
H to K	9.10 to 9.30
L to M	9.30 to 9.50
N to R	9.50 to 10.10
S	10.10 to 10.30
T to Z	10.30 to 10.50

Who can collect results?

- ONLY the student can collect their results.
- If a student cannot attend they can leave a stamped addressed envelope at main reception prior to results day OR
- send another person on results day during the allocated slot time with written permission from the student to collect on their behalf. That person will also need photo ID.
- **If the student or parent or anyone else in your household has Covid-19 symptoms, you cannot attend to pick up results. This would also apply to anyone in quarantine. In these circumstances, results will be posted out.**



Picking up your exam results:

- All exam results will be collected from the Hibret Hall entrance.
- 2 metre social distancing must be maintained at all times.
- Students to enter the bottom car park and if there is a queue, stand on the allocated dots on the bottom car park, as guided by a member of staff.
- Students will individually go up the Hibret Hall main steps, sanitise their hands and collect their exam results.
- Students will then be asked to walk along the pathway outside the food rooms to the main car park where they can meet their parents/carers and friends to open results.
- Staff will be in the main carpark.
- We will ask all students and families to leave the site at the end of their 20 minute slot.

Parents/carers:

- No parking will be allowed at the bottom car park. Only the top car park can be used.
- Please keep family members that come with you to a minimum.
- Parents/carers can enter the bottom main car park ONLY and maintain 2 metre social distancing guidelines.
- Staff will be at the school gates monitoring numbers in the car park and, if deemed too high, entry for parents/carers may be restricted.

Can I talk to my teachers about my results?

- You can of course speak to teachers to celebrate your exam results while maintaining social distancing.
- However, the exam guidance clearly states that staff are **not allowed** to discuss your results day grades compared to Centre Assessed Grades with any student.

What if I did not get the results I expected to move on to my chosen destination?

- Senior leaders and the Post 16 team will be available to speak to you in the courtyard/quad canopy area, if you wish to talk about your next steps and university places.
- If you did not get the grades you were expecting for university/college, please contact your university/college via phone.
- Our Careers Advisor will also be on hand to support you in the Courtyard.

Centre Assessed Grades

- Centre assessed grades (CAGs) will not be released on site on results day. If students wish to receive the centre assessed grades for one or more of their subjects, they must send an email to: aga-exams@abbeygrangeacademy.co.uk using **their school email address only**, in order to verify the user.
- The student email addresses will be left open past August so students can access the request and results.
- We will provide the CAGs to the students within 5 working days of receiving the request.

Guidance materials:

We are aware that this year is very different to what we had anticipated and there has been lots of different information in the press about exam results and resits. New support guidance was published by the government which gives detailed information on the decisions made about summer 2020 results and the link to this can be found below.

Gov.uk guidance to Summer 2020 results:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/your-results-what-next?utm_source=10%20August%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Student guide to Summer 2020 results:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907493/Student_Guide_Summer_2020_6.8.2020_12.30.pdf

Student guide to Summer 2020 helpline numbers:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/906954/Results-postcard-4.8.2020-online-version.pdf

Ofqual: How the standardisation process of results works:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/902736/Standardising_grades_in_summerx_2020_-_factsheet_-_20200721_1529.pdf?_cldee=aW5mb0BhYmJleWdyYW5nZWFiYWRIbXkuY28udWs%3d&recipientid=contact-89ccbb7377b5e8118151e0071b6e9421-6e5166f6c1cb4be9be182bfdcec2a21a&utm_source=ClickDimensions&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=SUPPORT2020&esid=66ccb8b7-c7d0-ea11-a812-000d3a49dd7d

Student guide to Summer 2020 appeals:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907493/Student_Guide_Summer_2020_6.8.2020_12.30.pdf

Can students appeal their final grades?

- It has been decided that there should not be an opportunity for students to challenge their final grade or their position in the centre's rank order through an appeal.
- Exam boards should only consider appeals submitted by centres, not by students directly.

Student guide to Summer 2020 appeals:

- https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907493/Student_Guide_Summer_2020_6.8.2020_12.30.pdf

Autumn exams**Can I re sit my exams if I am not happy with my grades?**

- Yes
- Students who feel that their grades from the summer do not reflect their ability will have the opportunity to take their exams in the autumn series or in summer 2021.
- If they choose to do this, students will be able to use the higher of the two grades for future progression.

How do I sign up for a re sit?

- Families should not make resit decisions on site on results day, this should be made online via the link below which can also be found on the letter attached to our website.
- When applying to resit exams please complete the form on the link below [no later than 24 August 2020. The academy will aim to reply to your email within 48 hours.](#)

Exam resit form:

- <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Okx3hiW8n0K6FiKwpYCfrALjcE37OANMiebchz8Y1zBUMU9HR1FJSERISU5SM0VPVlpSRzJLVkc0VS4u>

Will there be a cost for students taking exams in the autumn?

- Fees for exams are set by the exam boards and will apply for the November 2020 autumn exam series.
- Fees for re sits will be the responsibility of the families, not the academy.

We understand this year is different to any other year. For any other exam related queries, please send an email to: aga-exams@abbeygrangeacademy.co.uk

As you move on to pastures new, we wish you all the luck in the world with your next step of your learning/employment journey. Please let us know how you get on in the future and we hopefully will be able to see you at our presentation evening which will be held in December 2020, current COVID -19 situation dependent.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. Thornton". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jenny Thornton
Vice Principal