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Dear Parents/Carers and Students,

Re: Year 11 Results Day

Although I have already written to you about our plans for results day, national events have overtaken us, and we feel it is important to share with you in advance of the day, what exactly we will be giving out to our Year 11 students. So whilst we have repeated some information from the first letter, there is also new information contained here. In a fast changing situation, we do not have the answers to everything, but will update you as we hear more. Whilst there has been a change affecting the actual results themselves, the need to ensure that all of our social distancing and other safety factors are adhered to, remain.

In order to ensure we are able to maintain social distancing requirements we have allocated 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	8.30 to 8.50
B to E	8.50 to 9.10
F to H	9.10 to 9.30
J to L	9.30 to 9.50
M	9.50 to 10.10
N to P	10.10 to 10.30
R to S	10.30 to 10.50
T to Z	10.50 to 11.10

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 at their allotted time 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.
- For students who are intending to return to Abbey Grange for post 16 study, please go to the old hall to confirm your intention with the post 16 team.
- 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. Parking will be available in the top car park.
- 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.

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 old hall if you wish to talk about your next steps.
- Our Careers Advisor will also be on hand to support you in the old hall.

Centre Assessed Grades

- Most students will receive final results that are the same as the Centre Assessed Grades (CAGs) submitted by the school to the exam boards in June. The government has now decided that no student can get a lower grade than their CAG. A few of our students have been awarded a higher grade than their CAG, by the exam board, as a result of the use of their standardisation process. Where the final grade is higher than the CAG, this will be indicated in the results information that each student receives. Therefore, if there is no information about a difference in grades, a student can assume that their CAGs are the same as their final grades. This will be the case for most of our students.
- For Cambridge National qualifications, the exam boards are not yet in a position to award a final grade. In these cases (Sport and Health and Social Care), students will receive the CAG for that subject tomorrow. Final grades are likely to come out next week, and can only be the same or better than the CAG. This is also the position for students that were entered for Further Maths. If the final result is better than the CAG, we will communicate this to you.
- For BTEC qualifications, the process has worked differently. Schools did not submit an overall CAG as students had already completed some modules. The exam board then made a calculation on which the final grade is based, which students will receive tomorrow.
- Any other queries about exam results should be directed by students to: aga-exams@abbeygrangeacademy.co.uk using **their school email address only**, in order to verify the user. Student email addresses will be left open past August so leavers can access this.

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. Much of the new support guidance that was published by the government only last week is now out of date after the decision on Monday to use CAGs. Information on that decision can be found at this address:

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/gcse-and-a-level-students-to-receive-centre-assessment-grades?utm_source=18%20August%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Can students appeal their final grades?

- Due to the very recent changes made by the government, we are awaiting further guidance as to the grounds on which students can appeal.

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 re-sit 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 re-sit exams please complete the form on the link below [no later than 11 September 2020. The academy will aim to reply to your email within 48 hours.](#)

Exam re-sit form:

- <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Okx3hiW8n0K6FiKwpYCfrAljcE37OANMiebcH-z8Y1zBUMU9HR1FJSERISU5SM0VPVlpSRzJLVkc0VS4u>

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

We look forward to seeing most of you back into our sixth form in September. If you are moving on to pastures new, we wish you all the best 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



Jenny Thornton
Vice Principal