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Dear Year 11 Students, Parents and Guardians,

We are now writing with information published today by Ofqual on how grades will be calculated this summer.

Ofqual's press release is available here. More detailed information can be found here.

Ofqual has also published a letter to all students who were due to take examinations this summer which is available <u>here</u>. This includes clarification around two key questions which is reproduced below for convenience,

How will grades be calculated?

Your school or college will be asked to send exam boards two pieces of information for each of your subjects, based on what they know about your work and achievements:

- the grade they believe you were most likely to get if teaching, learning and exams had happened as planned
- within each subject, the order of students at your school or college, by performance, for each grade. This information will be used to standardise judgements – allowing fine tuning of the standard applied across schools and colleges

Your school or college will consider a range of things like your classwork and homework; your results in assignments and any mock exams; any non-exam assessment or coursework you might have done; and your general progress during your course.

Can I see the grades my school/college submits for me?

No, this information will be confidential. Please don't ask your teachers, or anyone else at your school or college, to tell you the grades they will be sending to the exam boards or where they have placed you in the order of students; they will not be allowed to share this with you.

We hope that this information helps you understand the process that Ofqual and Schools will be following in order to determine this year's grades. The Ofqual documents contain further detailed information which you may find useful.

Please do get in contact if you have any questions which are not covered by the Ofqual material.

With best wishes

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