

22nd June 2020

Dear IB Students and Parents,

I hope that you have managed to enjoy the sun and that you are still coping with lockdown.

I wanted to contact you to give you some information about results and post-results services. As you are very well aware, this year is far from normal and the grades have been assigned in a very different way; formed using examiner-marked coursework, IBIS predicted grades and historical school data in an algorithm generated by the IBO. The predicted grades are not the same as UCAS grades, they were generated at the end of the Spring term and thus include an evidence-based reflection of the work that has been done over the two years and estimated a grade that could be achieved by each pupil in each subject based on data available and teacher judgement.

Results

Results will be available from 2.45pm UK time on Monday 6th July. Please be aware that the UK's slot only opens at 2.45pm, and you may be locked out if you try too many times before that time.

Students will be able to access their results at the IBO login page: (https://candidates.ibo.org) using their pincode. This pincode will be shared with them via school email.

Chrome and Firefox are compatible with the IBO website.

Those who wish to speak to Helen post-results can do so from Monday 6th July 3pm- 5pm or from 9am-4pm for the rest of the week. Please email in the first instance to arrange a Google Meet or phone call.

Obviously, this is potentially a busy time so if I cannot speak to you immediately, I will make an appointment to do so as soon as possible. Therefore, please let me know your availability when you email.

EURs

If you are disappointed by a result in a particular subject, please consider all of the above and consider how you worked throughout the entirety of the course. The IBO are offering an Enquiries Upon Results (EUR) service, but the review of marking would only be on the piece(s) of coursework for that subject rather than on examination papers, so it is vital to consider the facts and options carefully as it incurs a substantial cost.

November Examination Session

There will be the opportunity to sit examinations in the majority of subjects, at Leighton Park in the IBO's November session (which begins at the end of October). The registration deadline is July 29th.

As has happened in previous years, it may be that despite not meeting the offer, universities still offer you the place, this can happen immediately but sometimes they make pupils wait until August 13th when the A level results are released.

Additional Information

Please be aware that it can take a few days for results to filter through to universities so do not panic if UCAS does not confirm your place immediately, although it can be a very good idea to contact the Admissions tutor directly. Do note that they will deal only with the person applying for the place, unless you nominated a parent to do so in your UCAS application form.

UCAS clearing is available as soon as your results are out, and there will be some places available then. However, if you have just missed your offer, it is definitely worth calling your university's Admissions Office to put forward your case. They may not give you an answer until after August 13th when A Level results are published but they will log your call and it indicates that you are keen and eager to attend their establishment.

I am aware that this message includes a great deal of information, but it is all here for you to refer to once your results are published.

As mentioned, we remain confident that the IBO has applied a system to this process that will lead to scores that are fair, capturing the ability and work ethic of each individual. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any concerns or queries.

Yours sincerley

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