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Dear Parents and Carers,

**Class of 2022 (Year 11) and Class of 2020 (Year 13)**

I am writing to give clarity about the process by which examination grades will be awarded this summer.

You will be aware that the government has cancelled all external examinations this summer. This includes all GCSE, BTEC and A-level exams. Despite this, students will still receive a grade for the qualifications they have been working towards. This grade will be their final grade for the course.

These grades will be calculated by Ofqual, the government department responsible for the regulation of exams in England, and will be released to students on results days in August:

- A-level and Level 3 qualification grades will be released on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August.
- GCSE and Level 2 qualification grades will be released on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August.

Our young people who are unhappy with the grade awarded by this process will be able to sit an exam early next academic year. The arrangements for these exams are yet to be published.

All schools have been asked to provide Ofqual with information that will help make the calculation of grades as fair as possible, and teachers at this academy will be working hard over the next few weeks to make sure that the information we submit is accurate. Teachers will draw on records of pupil/student performance and their expert judgement to do this. They will work together to make sure that their judgments are an accurate and fair reflection of each pupil's/student's performance. Teachers will look at work submitted up to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 but are not allowed to take into account any work completed after that date.

The cancellation of exams was a momentous decision taken in response to the unprecedented threat of the coronavirus. We do hope you found our parent information evenings useful prior to the Easter holidays. We want to reassure you that we will be offering support to all our pupils and students, so that they are able to take the next steps in their educational journeys. All post-sixteen and tertiary education providers understand the unique situation that students find themselves in this year and will be working hard to place students on the right courses. We will work closely with them to make sure that this happens.

Please feel free to get in touch with the following if I can offer further clarity or support on this matter:

Class of 2022 (Year 11): Assistant Principal - Mr Rye or Head of Year 11 - Mr Dinh

Class of 2020 (Year 13): Assistant Principal/Director of Sixth Form – Ms Orchin or Head of Year 13 – Mr Knight

Yours sincerely,

Ms C Edis  
Principal