



Dear Parent/Carer

10 July 2020

Year 10 GCSE Results Day – Thursday 20 August 2020

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. We have enjoyed welcoming back the majority of Year 10 into lessons and students too appear to be glad to be back to some kind of routine. Please take time to read this communication carefully, with your child, regarding the distribution of their GCSE English Literature result this year in August.

All examination results are embargoed up until 8am on results day, therefore students who entered a GCSE in Year 10 will be emailed a statement of their result at 8am on 20 August 2020. The email address used will be their individual Alderbrook School account only. We suggest your child checks in the coming week that they can login to their school email account. If your child cannot login to their school account please contact ICT support via itsupport@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk

The exams office will organise for students to be able to collect their paper GCSE result sheet upon return in the Autumn Term.

As you may be aware Ofqual have announced that any examination grade appeal process this summer will be very limited. In short, there will be two options:

School Appeal (instigated by the school only)

- Appeals will be allowed where a school believes it has made an error when submitting its information - or if the school believes an exam board made a mistake when calculating, assigning or communicating a grade.
- This includes cases where a school believes that significant changes in this year's cohort haven't been properly taken into account during the standardisation process. However, Ofqual says these cases will be rare, as the changes would have to be very big to affect calculated grades.

Student Appeal (student led via school)

- A student with concerns about bias, discrimination, or any other reason why a school didn't fairly assign a grade, should normally raise this with the school in the first instance. However, if they have evidence of serious malpractice by the school, it may be appropriate for them to go directly to the exam board.

I hope you find the information contained in this letter clear and straightforward. However, as always, please do get in touch via office@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk ahead of Friday 17 July (last day of Summer Term) if you have a query.

Best wishes

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