

8th July 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 11 GCSE Results' Day - 20th August 2020

We hope that your child is well and managing to keep themselves occupied and content during this strange time for them.

GCSE results day this year is on Thursday 20th August. As you know, in the absence of a summer exam series this year, schools were asked to provide calculated grades and rankings for each student/subject and a national process of moderation and standardisation is now underway. Further information from Ofqual about standardisation can be found on the last page of this letter.

Results day arrangements

Our arrangements for collection of results are necessarily a little different this year due to the coronavirus. So that we can manage students visiting site safely, students are asked to book a ten-minute slot to collect their results from the main school hall on the morning of the 20th August. Collection will be available between 9:30am and 12:30pm. Parents and carers may, of course, accompany them but we would ask that only one parent/carer enters the school building with their child. A 'one way' system through the hall will be in place along with enhanced hygiene measures. Unfortunately, we will be unable to provide any refreshments this year. The Senior Leadership Team and relevant support staff will be on hand to ensure an efficient and safe collection process and to help students with any queries they may have, especially those who may not have met their targets and may need advice on next steps and guidance on how to contact Sixth Form institutions. Please also note that leavers' hoodies and yearbooks will be available for collection from school on this date.

Booking your child's results collection slot

You will need to book your child a slot for their results collection via the parents' evening system:
<https://kingsschoolhove.schoolcloud.co.uk/> Booking is first come, first served for each slot and we are capping numbers for each slot to ensure safe distancing on site. When booking a slot, please select ONE time from one slot column only. Further information can be found overleaf. Please do not visit the school site other than at your booked appointment time, and do let us know if you are unable to make your planned appointment by emailing exams@kingsschoolhove.org.uk. As results are the property of students, please bear in mind that we cannot issue results to parents/carers.

Requesting results by email

If your child will be abroad/away on 20th August, or would prefer not to collect their results in person, please use the online form linked below to notify us that they would like results to be emailed and to provide the email address that they would like them sent to:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=vtEyV92vdUqa-u2K-oa6zOjRbhowM8FBu3CmgFgiXCdUQ0g0UINZN00ySIE4RUFFVjMxUFQ5QIRHTy4u>

Please ensure this form is completed by Wednesday 17th July at the latest. If your child opts for this, they will then receive an email on the 20th August to the nominated email address which will contain the GCSE results. Emails will be sent between 12pm and 3pm on this date. Please do bear with us on the day as it takes considerable time to email out results. If your child has ordered a hoodie/yearbook and is not planning to come into site to collect their GCSE results hoodies/yearbooks can be collected by appointment with the finance team. One of our team will contact you to arrange this.

Coronavirus restrictions permitting, we hope to invite all Year 11 students back to school in the autumn of 2020 to collect their exam board GCSE certificates and celebrate their journey through King's School at a special 'Certificate Evening'. Information about this will be forthcoming next term.

Please do not hesitate to contact us (via exams@kingsschoolhove.org.uk) should you have any queries about the collection of GCSE results this year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Price
Headteacher

Guide to booking a collection slot

Please visit <https://kingschoolhove.schoolcloud.co.uk/> and login with your child's details as you would for booking a parents' evening visit. Once you have logged in, you will be asked to specify which 'teachers' you would like to see. Please leave all boxes ticked.

The screenshot shows a web interface for selecting teachers. On the left, there are dropdown menus for 'Select Student' and 'Select Parent', each with an 'Add New' link. The main area is titled 'Choose Teachers' and contains a list of six teachers: SA, SB, SC, SD, SE, and SF, all from Year 11. Each teacher's name is in a green box with a checked checkbox to its left. Below the list is an 'Add Teacher' link and a green 'Continue to Book Appointments' button. A 'Change' button is in the top right corner.

Click 'continue to book appointments'

You will then have a grid of appointment times available to choose from. **Please choose one time, in one column only.** You will then receive a notification that your appointment has been booked, and will receive a confirmation email shortly after.

	SA	SB	SC	SD	SE
	Year 11				
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
09:30	+	+	+	+	+
09:40	+	+	+	+	+
09:50	+	+	+	+	+
10:00	+	+	+	+	+
10:10	+	+	+	+	+
10:20	+	+	+	+	+

Key information on grading process

Schools and colleges have submitted their centre assessment grades and rank orders on the grade submission system.

All exam boards will standardise the grades using a statistical process developed by Ofqual.

When standardising grades, we will look at the following data to calculate what we would expect your students to achieve:

- previous national results in a subject
- the prior attainment of your school or college's students this year compared to previous years
- your school or college results in recent years



									
Centre assessment grade	A	A	A	A	A	B	B	B	B
Rank order	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4

We will consider your centre's grade distributions across previous summer exam series for the subject. This is based on your school or college results in recent years. We'll then look at the differences in prior attainment between your centre's students in previous exam series and students getting their results this summer. We will use this data and compare it with what you have given us, and we may make adjustments to align the two:



If the centre assessment grades are generous, we will adjust down.

Calculated grade A A A A B B B B B

If the centre assessment grades are severe, we will adjust up.

Calculated grade A A A A A A B B B

This process for awarding grades is designed to give students the fairest results possible this summer. The rank order of students submitted by schools and colleges will not change. The final grade students receive may be different from the centre assessment grades submitted. This is to ensure grading standards are consistent across all schools and colleges.

Having completed the adjustments, we will ensure that results are comparable by using the process developed by Ofqual, and the regulator will also review overall national results.

*This also applies to other general qualifications such as Extended Project Qualifications (EPQs), Core Maths, Free Standing Maths Qualifications (FSMQs), and Entry Level qualifications.