

St Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls

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Dear Parents, Carers Year 13 and 11 Students

As you know, in January the government cancelled exams and in order to grade students, these were replaced by a process of Teacher Assessed Grades (TAGs). The TAGs we submitted were in line with our Centre Policy, which was approved by the exam boards. You can read the policy <u>here</u>. We also had to send samples of our evidence and grading to the exam boards as part of a rigorous quality assurance check.

Your child will have now received their GCSE and/or BTEC, AS, A level or equivalent results. Congratulations! It has been a difficult year with many disruptions and their grades are a reflection of all the hard work.

In the first instance, you should contact the school and speak to or email the Examinations Officer, Ms Mckoy cmckoy@stmartins.academy if your child is unhappy with their grade. If you wish to appeal the grade, you should follow the appeals process set out on our website - <u>Assessments 2021</u>.

The first stage of any appeal is a Centre Review, in which we will check if any administrative or procedural errors have occurred. If students remain unhappy with the outcome of the centre review, they can ask that we put forward an appeal to the awarding organisation on their behalf. The deadlines for this are:

- Centre Review deadline for priority appeals: 16 August
- Awarding Organisation deadline for priority appeals: 23 August 2021
- Centre Review deadline for non-priority appeals: 3 September 2021
- Awarding Organisation deadline for non-priority appeals: 17 September 2021

We must receive a centre review appeal by the deadline before we can progress it to an awarding organisation appeal. You can access the appeal form from our website - <u>Assessments 2021.</u>

Priority appeals are only for A level students who have not met the conditional offer of their firm choice of university; in which case they should have notified their university of this.

Please note that during either of the appeals stages, results could go up or down or stay the same. You will not keep the higher of the grades, and an appeal cannot be withdrawn once a decision has been made.

Alternatively, all GCSE, AS and A level qualifications can be re-sat in the autumn term.

Congratulations on your results again, and please do contact us if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely

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