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Dear Parent/Carer

Provision for Year 11 Examinations Results, and concerns around 'Exceptional Circumstances' 20th August 2020

Results will now be published on Go 4 Schools from 08.00 on 20th August 2020.

Students who require support following accessing their results may attend school for an appointment during our opening times of 08.30-11.30 on Main Site.

This letter follows on from our previous communications with you, our recent surveys and advice from the Department for Education and others in the profession about the collection of exam results. As a result, we will only be welcoming on to the school site those who have concerns around their results. Please do not come in to school if you are happy with your results and have secured your next step or destination.

We must be guided by the desire to keep everyone as safe as possible during the current pandemic, and this unfortunately requires us to limit access to the school site on that morning. This means there will only be a few specific reasons why you might need to visit the school site on results day, such as if you need to discuss your future pathway, careers, entry to 6th Form or Autumn series resits.

Please start by accessing your results on Go 4 Schools. It would be helpful if you could check your access to GO 4 Schools ahead of the day. Any issues accessing school account or GO 4 Schools, please email enquiries@qegs.email. Any Statements of Results that are not collected on results day will be posted to the student's home address that we hold on the school systems. If this is not correct, for changes before results day, please email datateam@qegs.email

Once you have seen your results you may have concerns you feel might only be addressed in school. To this end we will be operating a one in/one out appointment system in school between 08.30 and 11.30 on the 20th August. Please note if you are shielding you may call the school on 01335 343685 regarding any concerns instead of visiting the site.

Before setting off we must ask you to:

- Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water
- Be able to 'catch it, kill it, bin it' as a way of dealing with coughs, sneezes and other respiratory diseases
- Consider whether you, any one in your household, or anyone attending with you are exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms, and if so to not attend school
- Visit the toilet if necessary as no toilet facilities will be available on site
- If you are travelling by public transport please remember to wear your face covering

On arrival you must:

- Book an appointment with a member of staff situated outside the main entrance to the Halls block
- Move away from the main entrance to allow for 2 metre social distancing, and await your name being called

When your appointment is called you must:

- Enter via the main doors
- Use either the hand sanitiser provided, or your own, before entering the Halls block for your appointment
- Go directly to your appointment

When your appointment has concluded you must:

- Leave the building by the rear exit as directed
- Use hand sanitiser on exiting the building
- Please do not gather following this event and maintain social distancing on your return home

When you arrive on the Main Site please head straight to the correct entrance for your area of concern

Drop-in appointments will operate on a one in/one out system from one of the four following entrances. Please be aware that past experience has shown quieter times to arrive tend to be later during the time slot. As you may need to wait please continue to socially distance and avoid gathering.

Level 1 Entrance: careers discussions Level 2 Entrance: entry to Sixth Form

Level 3 Entrance: discussions on centre assessed grades and Autumn series resits.

Main Hall entrance: subject discussions

You will be very aware that the process of awarding grades this year has been very different to previous years. We submitted grades that were our best assessment of what your child would have achieved if you had taken exams, and all of the grades were reviewed by Curriculum Leaders and the Senior Leadership Team before submission. The exam boards then applied a 'standardisation model' so that the distribution of grades awarded this year is consistent with those awarded in other years at a national level. They will allow your child to progress to the next stage of their life in the normal way. The process has been rigorous and means the grades awarded are as valid as in any other year.

Hoodies and Leavers' books will no longer be available on 13th August 2020. Instead, we are hoping to arrange for you to collect them on return to Sixth Form. If you are not returning to QEGS, we will make them available for collection on Monday 7th September 2020 between 08.30 and 12.00 from Reception on Main Site.

In addition, please could you complete a short survey to inform us of your chosen destination: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=PYCwG3TptkKUJQEK3ByuauBzcKkr xtEtRIXQETmxD dUQVY2WIITNEJPQVJRQUJOREczTU1ON0hJSC4u

Yours faithfully

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