

Evidence used for A Level Centre Assessed Grades

It is our goal that all students leave us equipped with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in the world of further education and/or work. Although the 2021 summer examinations were cancelled, we are still committed to ensure all our students left fully prepared for their next step in education and training. To award A Level Centre Assessed Grades, we completed ongoing topic assessments in order to provide enough opportunities and evidence for students to be justified a worthy A Level grade.

To ensure the process was fair and to remove any possible bias, the following measures were put in place:

- Subject departments identified areas of each A Level course that were essential for a students' next stage as well as identifying those topics that had been taught remotely. They created a detailed plan for what will have been taught, retaught and assessed over the Spring and Summer terms and this information has been shared with students and parents/carers. Individual subject information can be found [here](#).
- Students were provided with a detailed list of the subtopics within each assessed unit, a timeline of when the topics were revised and assessed, in addition to a revision timetable which aligned the revision and in-class assessments. This information can be found [here](#).
- Exam board past paper questions and the new assessments, issued by the exam boards in March, were considered in assigning the centre assessment grades. Use of exam board materials meant that all assessments were marked according to a quality assured mark scheme.
- Students only used their candidate number rather than their name to eliminate any teacher bias.
- For internal quality assurance, moderation was completed in subject teams in school.
- For external quality assurance, moderation was completed across the Multi Academy Trust and with external markers where necessary.
- All awarded grades are 'centre' assessed meaning that no single teacher was responsible for a student's grade.

Further details regarding the process of awarding the centre assessed grades can be found in the Centre Policy [here](#).

All students will receive their final grades on 10th August 2021. We are unable to disclose the students' final grade before this as not only would this be considered malpractice, but all grades are subject to an exam board review and could change. Students have been told their raw scores (or percentage achieved) in each assessment. Please be aware that these scores do not equate to a final grade.

This overview contains vital information about each subject for your reference. It states clearly;

- All the evidence that was used by each subject to award the final centre assessed grade.
- When the assessments were taken over the course of study.
- An indication of the weighting of that particular evidence (strong, medium or less strong indicator)

Please note that if your son/daughter attends either Haybridge High School or Hagley Catholic High School, their arrangements were slightly different from ours. Please see the individual schools' websites for further details.

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	Strong indicator	Medium indicator	Less strong indicator
Subject			
BTEC National Business Extended certificate	Unit 3: Personal and business finance examination. CAG awarded by Pearson in 2020.	Unit 1: NEA- exploring business Unit 2: developing a marketing campaign. External examination January 2021. Grades awarded by Pearson.	Unit 22: NEA- market research. CAG awarded by Pearson in 2020.
Computer Science	Assessment 7: Year 12 end of year mock examination Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 8: Compression, Encryption and hacking, Databases & System Software Assessment 9: Computational thinking, Algorithms, Data structures. Assessment 10: Data types & Boolean Algebra Assessment 11: Software development and programming techniques	Assessment 12 NEA: Programming Project	Taken throughout Year 12; Assessment 1: Computer Systems Assessment 2: Computational Thinking Assessment 3: Data Types Assessment 4: Databases Assessment 5: Data structures Assessment 6: Networking
English Language	Assessment 7 NEA: Making connections	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1 and 5: Dramatic Encounters Assessment 4: Remembered places	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 2 and 6: Poetic voices Assessment 3: Imagined Worlds
French	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: May 2019 paper 1 Assessment 2: May 2020 paper 1	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 4- May 2020 paper 3 (speaking)	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 3: Mix of May 2019 and 2020 paper 2
Geography	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 4: Water and Carbon cycles Assessment 5: Hazards Assessment 6: Global systems and Governance Assessment 7: Changing places Assessment 8: Coastal systems and landscapes		Assessment 1 and 2: Year 12 end of year mock examinations Assessment 3: NEA
German	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards;	Taken in Year 13 from Spring	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards;

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	Assessment 1: May 2019 paper 1 Assessment 2: May 2020 paper 1	onwards; Assessment 4- May 2020 paper 3 (speaking)	Assessment 3: Mix of May 2019 and 2020 paper 2
Health and Social Care	Taken in Year 13 in Autumn; Unit 1: Human Lifespan Development Exam. CAG awarded by Pearson. Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Unit 2 – Working in HSC. A total of 4 assessments covering Learning Aim A (roles and responsibilities of people who work in the health and social care sector) Learning Aim B (roles of organisations in the health and social care sector) and Learning Aim C (working with people with specific needs in the health and social care sector)	Unit 5: NEA- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs Unit 14: NEA – Physiological Disorders	
History	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessments 1-4: Covering Russia arrangements	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessments 5-8: Covering Cold War in Europe and Tudors	Assessment 9: NEA
Law	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 2: English Legal System and Crime	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 3: June 2019 paper 1 Assessment 4: June 2019 paper 2, Law Making and Tort Assessment 5: June 2019 and 2020 paper 3, Nature of Law and Contract	Assessment 1: Year 12 end of year mock examinations
Maths	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 2: Pure Maths Assessment 3: Pure Maths Assessment 4: Statistics and Mechanics	Assessment 1: Year 12 end of year mock examinations	
Further Maths	Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 2: Decision maths Assessment 3: Further statistics Assessment 4: Core maths	Assessment 1: Year 12 end of year mock examinations	
Sport	CAGs awarded by Pearson in 2020; Unit 1: Anatomy and Physiology Unit 2: Fitness Training and Programming	Unit 3: NEA- Sports Industry Unit 4: NEA- Sport Leadership (both externally verified)	

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	for Health, Sport and Wellbeing		
Product Design	NEA Contextual Challenge	<p>Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards;</p> <p>Assessment 1: Metals and manufacturing</p> <p>Assessment 2: Plastics, moulding and processes</p> <p>Assessment 3: Timbers, sourcing and origins of materials</p> <p>Assessment 4: Manufacturing</p> <p>Assessment 5: Health and Safety, protecting your designs</p> <p>Assessment 6: Design development theory and the environment</p> <p>Assessment 7 and 8: Design</p>	
Biology	<p>Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards;</p> <p>Assessment 2: A Level Paper 1 from June 2019</p>	<p>Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards;</p> <p>Assessment 3: Photosynthesis</p> <p>Assessment 4: Respiration</p> <p>Assessment Inheritance</p> <p>Assessment 6: Nerves and Synapses</p> <p>Assessment 7: Energy and Ecosystems</p> <p>Assessment 8: Muscles</p> <p>Assessment 9 and 10: Essays</p>	<p>Assessment 1: Year 12 end of year mock examination</p> <p>Practical endorsement - awarded as a separate grade</p>
Chemistry		<p>Assessment 1: Y12 end of year mock examination</p> <p>Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards;</p> <p>Assessment 2: A Level paper 1 from 2019</p> <p>Assessment 3: A Level paper 2 from 2019</p> <p>Assessment 4: Physical 1</p> <p>Assessment 5: Organic 1</p> <p>Assessment 6: Physical and inorganic 2</p> <p>Assessment 7: Physical and inorganic 3</p>	<p>Practical endorsement- awarded as a separate grade</p>

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		<p>Assessment 8: Organic 2 Assessment 9: Physical and inorganic 4 Assessment 10: Organic 3 Assessment 11: Multiple choice</p>	
<p>Physics</p>		<p>Assessment 1: Year 12 mock examination taken January 2020 Taken in Year 13 from Spring onwards; Assessment 2: Year 12 mock examination taken June 2020 Assessment 3: Optional module assessment- Engineering Assessment 4: Materials Assessment 5: Electricity Assessment 6: Forces in Equilibrium Assessment 7: Particles test Assessment 8: On the move Assessment 9: SHM & circular motion Assessment 10: Force & momentum Assessment 11: EM radiation & quantum Assessment 12: Thermal physics & gases Assessment 13: Work, energy & power Assessment 14: Radioactivity Assessment 15: Newton's laws of motion Assessment 16: Waves & optics</p>	<p>Practical endorsement- awarded as a separate grade</p>