

East Dacorum Co-operative Learning Trust



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Dear Parents and Carers

Last week saw two major Government announcements that impact directly on education. The first relates to the full return to school from 8 March 2021 and the second to how GCSE, A Level and Vocational courses will be graded this year. While we are all looking forward to welcoming students back into school, it is the announcement about examination results that we wanted to write to you about this week.

As Headteachers we have been looking at the implications of these arrangements for students in our three schools. We feel it is important that we offer all students within the East Dacorum Cooperative Learning Trust the same experience to ensure that there is a consistency in our approach, resulting in students getting the grades that their efforts deserve.

To do this, we will work collaboratively at department and senior level across our schools on aspects of the guidance. These will include the moderation of grades awarded across all schools, our approach to sitting the question papers that will be provided by the examination boards, and how we will oversee the appeals process and Autumn Examination Series.

While the detail of what this will look like will come from your child's own school, we wanted to reassure you that staff at all levels, in all three schools, are working collaboratively with our students at the heart of what we do. In these uncertain times, we hope that this will help to reassure you.

Yours sincerely

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