

MARSHLAND HIGH SCHOOL



Appeals information – GCSEs Summer 2020

Due to the cancellation of the GCSE examinations this year and the way GCSE grades have been calculated, the normal post results procedures and appeals are not available.

The government have decided that it would not be in the interests of students or the fairness of the arrangements overall, for students to be able to challenge their grades on the grounds that they feel their centre's judgement on grade and/or rankings were incorrect. They have therefore set out limited and very specific guidelines for appealing this year's calculated grades. If you are unhappy with the grades you have received, Ofqual have put in place the following options for you;

- ***If a student has evidence of bias or discrimination they would be able to raise this with their centre; an exam board could investigate such evidence as indicating malpractice*** – Please inform Marshland High School in writing, with evidence, for us to investigate any concerns you may have.
- ***Centres must have a procedure which allows students to request that a review is conducted of the centre's decision not to appeal to an exam board***
– If Marshland High School is satisfied with the Centre Assessed Grade decision and the grade awarded by the exam board, a decision not to make an appeal to the exam board can be made. This process and decision can be reviewed by Trust representative if requested in writing.
- ***Appeals should be allowed where a centre believes it has made an error when submitting its information; or similarly, if the centre believes an exam board made a mistake when calculating, assigning or communicating a grade*** – If Marshland High School believes such an error has occurred we will appeal to the exam board.

Full details are available at; <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ofqual-publishes-more-details-on-appeals-and-confirms-autumn-exam-arrangements>

Please contact Mrs R.Hornett, exams officer at Marshland High School, if you wish to raise any of the appeal options r.hornett@marshlandhigh.co.uk.