

10th August 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians

Re: Examination results 2021

I would like to congratulate all students who have received their results today. This has been an incredibly challenging year and, whilst there is inevitably discussion in the media, we know that the grades achieved by students at Ruislip High School are a reflection of the hard work of students, supported by their families and school staff.

As you will be aware, examinations in summer 2021 were cancelled by the Department for Education (DfE) and replaced by a process of Teacher Assessed Grades (TAGs). At Ruislip High School, all TAGs were submitted in line with our centre policy, which was approved by the awarding bodies and can be read [here](#). We also sent a sample of the evidence and grading to the awarding bodies as part of the external quality assurance.

All students in Year 13 had the opportunity this morning to discuss their grades with a member of staff. Students in Year 12 who received AS results in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths have had their results posted to them.

Should your child be unhappy with their grade and believe there are grounds to appeal, please follow the appeals process set out in our policy (click [here](#)). I would also like to share with families the JCQ guidance for student appeals (click [here](#)) and summary (click [here](#)). 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 are unhappy with the outcome of a centre review, students can ask that the school puts forward an appeal to the awarding body on their behalf. The deadlines for appeals are outlined in the appeals policy and all appeals must be received by the deadline indicated before any appeal can progress. 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, at any stage of the appeal process, results can go up or down, or stay the same. Students cannot keep the higher of the grades if the grade goes down, and an appeal cannot be withdrawn once a decision has been made.

Alternatively, all GCSE, AS and A Level qualifications can be retaken in the autumn term. Should your child wish to be entered for a qualification in the autumn series, please email sixthform@ruisliphigh.org.uk before Tuesday 7th September 2021.

Finally, I would again like to congratulate students on all they have achieved in this challenging year, and the resilience they have shown during the pandemic. Should students or parents/guardians have any questions, please email rhs@ruisliphigh.org.uk for the attention of Mrs Hill, Deputy Headteacher.

Yours sincerely



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