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Dear Student

Re: Provisional Centre Determined Grades

I would like to thank you for the way you have conducted yourself in the recent learning tasks and through what has been a challenging time anyway. Teachers will be using these tasks, along with any other assessments that have been identified, to help determine your grades.

For WJEC subjects at GCSE/AS and AL subjects that apply to these arrangements, you will have the opportunity to see your provisional Centre Determined Grades (CDG) before final submission to the examination board.

A report containing your provisional Centre Determined Grades (CDGs) will be sent via email to your school email account by 11am on Friday 11 June.

If you study a BTEC Level 3 (Yr13), WJEC Level 2 or 3 (Yr11/13), Level 2 Additional Maths (Yr11), Qualifications Plus (Yr11) or Sociology (Yr11), these are subject to external moderation and centres are not permitted to share provisional results with candidates. Grades will be awarded in August, with details regarding appeals being published beforehand.

Centre Determined Grades are not predictions, but judgements based on the evidence available. The grades are based on the assessment criteria set out by each subject. Our processes have been externally quality assured and approved by the WJEC. Completed assessments will have also gone through internal quality assurance procedures, as approved by the examination board.

When determining the grade, subjects will have applied a holistic or 'best-fit' approach to making a judgement against the criteria issued by the WJEC. There has been extensive quality assurance put in place to ensure these grades are fair and accurate against grade descriptors.

Below is an example of what you can expect to see on the report:

Subject (WJEC)	Provisional Centre Determined Grade	The grade represents a 'best fit' judgement considering the evidence provided and against the specified criteria as outlined by the WJEC. The grade awarded is on the basis of attainment demonstrated by the student, which <u>largely</u> or <u>fully</u> meets the grade descriptor.
Art	A	Fully meets the grade descriptor.
Business Studies	B	Largely meets the grade descriptor.
Biology	A	Fully meets the grade descriptor.

On the report, you will see a provisional Centre Determined Grade with a description stating how the evidence used has met the requirements of the WJEC grade descriptor. There are two options:

1. Evidence is awarded on the basis of attainment demonstrated, which **fully** meets the grade descriptor.
2. Evidence is awarded on the basis of attainment demonstrated, which **largely** meets the grade descriptor.

Appeals Process

There are three stages to the process:

- Stage 1 Centre review (pre-results)
- Stage 2 Appeal to WJEC (post results)
- Stage 3 Qualifications Wales Exam Procedures Review Service (EPRS)

As grades are awarded based on a holistic or 'best fit' judgement underpinned by evidence, there is no WJEC review of marking or reviews of moderation service this year. The focus of review is on the holistic grading judgement rather than the marking of individual assessments. Qualification grades in summer 2021 are determined on holistic judgements using a grade based system rather than a mark based system.

A centre review or appeal to WJEC may result in a learner's grade remaining the same, being raised or being lowered.

If you believe there is an error with the provisional grade, you can request the decision-making record. Details of how to request this will be published in the report. It is very important that you read the guidance and meet the deadlines stated.

If after receiving the learner decision making record, you still believe an error has been made, you may request a Stage 1 Appeal (centre review.). If you do this, **you must make clear the grounds for the review**. Appeals will not be accepted on the grounds of a difference of opinion.

Further details about the appeals process will be contained within the report you receive.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the very best for the future.

Yours faithfully



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