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2019-2020 EDEXCEL PEARSON, IGCSE, AS & A LEVEL EXAM UPDATE

Dear Parent/Guardian/Student,

Assalam-u-Alaikum and Good afternoon,

We have confirmed with Pearson UK regarding the process of awarding grades for May/June 2020 examination series. The summary of which can be read as follows:

How will grades be awarded?

Schools must use their professional experience to make a fair and objective judgement of the grade they believe a student would have achieved had they sat their exams this year. It is important that schools and colleges take into account the full range of available evidence when they grade students -including non-exam assessment; the results of any homework assignments or mock exams; and any other records of student performance over the course of study. We are also asking schools and colleges to provide a rank order of students within each grade.

When will the assessment grades be submitted to exam boards?

Exam boards will provide detailed instructions to schools and colleges on when and how to submit centre assessment grades after Easter. The deadline will not be earlier than 29 May 2020.

Will students see the assessment grades their school submits?

No. It is important schools and colleges do not share provisional grades, nor rank orders, with students or parents and carers. This is to protect the integrity of the teachers' judgements, and to avoid teachers, Heads of Department or Heads of Centre feeling under pressure to submit a grade that is not supported by the evidence.

Way Forward

In view of the above, we will be using various evidences to collect samples of student work, we will launch the evidence collection Google Classrooms from Saturday at 2:00pm. Collating evidence will be a collaborative effort between students and teachers. For each subject, students will be directed and supported by teachers as to what samples of work need to be collected. Work that is done through the online

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platform will also need to be included. We have just more than a month from today to complete the evidence collection and moderation process. It is important to us that we provide the best representation of our students so please be assured that your children will be well supported.

As part of the evidence collection we will be holding online Assessments followed by Mock exams for our 'O' and 'A' level students as this will aid in collecting evidence of student work.

We have been working tirelessly to make arrangements for our students of grades 10, 11, 12 and 13 to appear for online school exams. We request and expect your cooperation in order to pull this off.

Below is the time table of Assessments with the format of submission requirement for each exam.

ASSESSMENT TIME TABLE APRIL 2020

Date	Class	Subject	Start Time	Stop Time	Submission Time	Assessment Format & Submission Method
Mon, 20-04-20	11	ESL Reading/Writing	8:30	9:15	9:45	Attempt on EduPage
	12	IT Unit 2	8:30	9:15	9:45	Attempt on EduPage
	12	Business Unit 1	8:30	9:15	9:45	Attempt on EduPage
	12	Biology Unit 2	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
	10	Pak. Studies History	9:45	10:30	11:00	Attempt on EduPage
Tue, 21-04-20	11	Business Studies	8:30	9:15	9:45	Attempt on EduPage
	12	Chemistry Unit 2	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
	13	Chemistry Unit 4	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
	10	Islamiyat	9:45	10:30	11:00	Scan & Upload
Wed, 22-04-20	11	ICT Written	8:30	9:15	9:45	Attempt on EduPage
	12	Math P2	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
	13	Math P3	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
	10	Pak. Studies Geography	9:45	10:30	11:00	Scan & Upload
Thu, 23-04-20	11	Accounting	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
	12	Physics Unit 2	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
	13	Physics Unit 4	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
Fri, 24-04-20	11	Chemistry	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload
	11	Economics	8:30	9:15	9:45	Attempt on EduPage
Mon, 27-04-20	11	Mathematics (H/F)	8:30	9:15	9:45	Scan & Upload

*** Reporting time 8:00 AM**

*** No Lessons will be held during the Assessments**

*** Papers requring submission on E-mail must be uploaded within the designated time**

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PROCEDURE FOR ONLINE ASSESSMENT

Detailed instructions on how the exams will be conducted will be sent through EduPage on Saturday afternoon. We hope to conduct the assessments/exams in a reasonable manner with this arrangement and will be able to publish the reports by early of May 2020.

Should you have any questions/concerns we will be happy to assist you.

Yours sincerely,

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