# A/AS Level Post Results Information Summer 2019

Please find below details of the post-results services available for A-Level papers. These services are available to both students and subject departments.

If you would like to request a service, please call in to the School to see the Exams Team between 9am and 2pm Monday to Friday.

## You must complete these steps before the Exams Team will send the request to the Exams Board(s).

- 1. Complete the PRS request form. Remember: the cost is per exam paper, not per subject; tick the column for the service you require for each paper; sign the form to consent for the review to be requested.
- 2. See a member of staff to check that you have completed all of your details.
- 3. Go to the Business Office to pay the full amount. Payment must be made in full before they will authorise your form.
- 4. Return the authorised form to the Exams Team to process.

#### Service 1 - Clerical Check

This service is used only for checking:

- that all parts of the script have been marked;
- the totalling of marks;
- the recording of marks.

This service is not recommended by school as generally this can be carried out at school if a photocopy of the script is requested.

## Service 2 -Review of Marking

The standard service is available until Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Copies of the script, if required, must be requested at the same time as a standard review and is at an additional cost. (Dates to be confirmed)

- This is a post-results review of the original marking to ensure that the agreed mark scheme has been applied correctly. It is not a re-marking of the candidate's script.
- The awarding body will have trained its reviewers to conduct reviews of marking accurately and consistently. Reviewers will not re-mark the script.

#### Service 2P - Priority Review of Marking

The priority service is available until Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019. <u>The priority service is only available if a university place is dependent on the outcome.</u> (Dates to be confirmed)

In the case of a marking review, please be aware that it is possible to lose marks as well as gain them. Students' permission MUST be given before a marking review request can be made. If a review is requested and an error is found in the marking that changes the student's overall grade (or in some cases a unit grade), the cost of the review is refunded.

#### Priority Photocopied Scripts

This service is only available for **one week** from results day (deadline for requests is Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019). This is a useful service as it enables staff to check the marking of scripts and still have time to request a review if any problems arise. Scripts should arrive in school no later than Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019. (Dates to be confirmed)

### Access to Scripts - Original (to support Teaching and Learning)

This service is the only way to view your script if the deadline for photocopied scripts has passed. Original Scripts can be requested until Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 but they will not be sent out until after the other post-results deadlines. Once an original script is released, it is no longer secure and so no other services are allowed. (Dates to be confirmed)

A copy of the JCQ guide to Post Results Services can be found in the exams section of the Heckmondwike Grammar School website for further details.

(Key Dates are overleaf)

Key Dates and Deadlines Summer 2019 – Dates to be confirmed		
Date	Reviews of Results (RoRs)	Access to Scripts (ATS)
	Issue of GCE and Extended Project	May request ATS (to support teaching & learning)
	results.	or
	RoRs may be requested	May request ATS (priority copies of scripts to
		support enquiries about results)
	<b>DEADLINE</b> for priority review of	<b>DEADLINE</b> to request priority photocopy scripts
	marking requests to be with exam	from exam boards
	board	
		Date by which priority copy scripts will arrive
	<b>DEADLINE</b> for RoRs to be with exam	
	boards.	
		<b>DEADLINE</b> to request original scripts from exam
		boards

## Ofqual information regarding Reviews of Marking:

## Review of marking: An enquiry about a result should be a review of marking, not a remark

Ofqual's 'Guidance on considering marking errors on a review or appeal', states that:

'Following a review or an appeal, a reasonable mark should not be replaced with another such mark, simply because those carrying out the review or the appeal would have given a different mark if they were the original Assessor. We do not consider that one such mark should be replaced with another (often higher) mark, as then Learners who request a review or appeal would be unfairly advantaged over those who do not. A review or appeal should not be an opportunity for a Learner to have a second go at getting a better mark. Such a review or appeal should only interfere with a mark where there has been a Marking Error.'

## Ofqual has defined a marking error as:

'The awarding of a mark or the arrival at an outcome of Moderation which could not reasonably have been given or arrived at given the evidence generated by the Learner(s) (and for Moderation, the centre's marking of that evidence), the criteria against which Learners' performance is differentiated and any procedures of the awarding organisation in relation to Moderation or marking, including in particular where the awarding of a mark or outcome of moderation is based on: an Administrative Error, a failure to apply such criteria and procedures to the evidence generated by the Learner(s) where that failure did not involve the exercise of academic judgment, or an unreasonable exercise of academic judgment'.

What this means is that only those marks that are the result of a genuine marking error, not a difference in judgement, will be changed, which will be fairer to all candidates.