



HECKMONDWIKE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

A Level results 2020 – Frequently asked questions

What grade will be used as my estimated grade?

The guidance we have so far suggests we will be asked to use all the assessment data we have collected over the A Level course to make an estimate of the grade you would be likely to achieve. This could include classwork, assessments, coursework and mock exams.

Will my mock grade be the grade I am awarded?

We expect that the mock grade will form part of the assessment, but will not be the only piece of data used. As all schools and colleges sit mocks at different times, and with different papers, it is unlikely that just the mock grade could be used.

Why do I need to do the work set for me if exams have been cancelled?

If you are unhappy with the grade you are awarded, you will be able to appeal, and will probably have to sit an exam in the new academic year. The work set for you is to make sure that you finish the course in each subject so that you are prepared for this exam.

What if I am not happy with the grade I have been awarded?

You will be able to appeal your grade, and may then need to sit an exam. At the moment, we have no details of the appeals process, or what any future exams might look like in terms of number of exams or length of exam. We will update you as soon as we get more information.

Will I have to sit exams in all subjects, or just the ones I am unhappy with?

We do not know the details of the appeals yet. As soon as we know more, we will try to answer this.

Will my university offers still be the same?

University offers should not be changed as far as we understand. The Government have said that your grades will mean the same as grades awarded every other year, and they are expecting that universities will accept them in the same way. UCAS have stopped universities from changing their offers for the moment, so you should not feel pressured into accepting an offer until you are sure of which ones you want to accept.

If I appeal a result, will I need to take a gap year?

We don't have a timetable for appeals yet so it is difficult to say. This could depend on the term dates for your chosen university, and each place may take a different approach. We will update you as soon as we know more.

Have I finished Year 13 now?

No. You should continue to complete the work set to ensure the course is finished. In particular, you must make sure any coursework that can be finished is completed as this may form part of your assessment.

When will I get my results?

No date for results has been set yet, but sometime in July was suggested as a possible date.

Will there be a results day in school?

We don't know. If it is possible, yes, but that will depend on what restrictions are in place at the time results are released. Whatever the situation, we will be available to support you with the next steps.

Useful Links

The following links are updated regularly and may provide you with the information you are looking for:

For universities

See <https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/after-you-apply/coronavirus-covid-19-latest-updates>

More generally, the government's own

FAQs: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-cancellation-of-gcses-as-and-a-levels-in-2020/coronavirus-covid-19-cancellation-of-gcses-as-and-a-levels-in-2020>