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# Academy Trust

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Dear Y11 students and their families

I trust that all is well with you. I am writing to confirm the process for this year's GCSE results day, which falls on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020. As in previous years, the final results will not be made available to students or the school until the day itself.

## Centre Assessment Grades

We have submitted all of the centre assessment grades for the courses that you have studied at Meadowhead. Ofqual, the body responsible for standards in qualifications, will now undertake a process of quality assurance and standardisation before they finalise the grades that you will be issued.

### Exams results day

The GCSE results day experience under typical times involves you attending school with your friends to collect your results slips, sharing and celebrating your achievements with your teachers and families.

Sadly, we are unable to operate our examination results day in the usual manner. In accordance with the current government advice, we are minimising the number of staff and students that need to be on site on the day of the results being published.

It is our intention to email all results to year 11 students at 8am on the 20<sup>th</sup> August. This will be in the form of a short message and an attached summary sheet containing the grades that you will have been awarded

The email will be sent to your school email address, so it is really important that you familiarise yourself with how to access your school email account before that date.

We will be unable to issue results via paper, over the telephone, or at the school building on the day of publication.

Please contact the school as soon as possible if you believe that this will be problematic for you.

This is a frustration to us all as we would love to be able to celebrate your results with you in the Rosling.

We also know that when you receive your results, you may need to talk to someone about what it means for you next. Even for those who have achieved above and beyond their expectations, you may just need someone to tell you just how well you have done.

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#### Sixth Form Applicants - staying on

If you intend to stay on for sixth form you will receive a second email either

- confirming your place if you have met the entry requirements for your chosen subjects
- confirming a place but with an agreed adjustment to the subjects to be studied
- declining you a sixth form place if you haven't achieved the required grades.

Once you have received this email students who have been successful should reply immediately and this will confirm your place in sixth form. If you haven't met the entry requirement for one or more of your chosen subjects then you will need to phone the sixth form team and discuss a change to your chosen subjects or your college backup plan. If you need to speak to someone in person then an appointment will be made. Please note you should not attend in person if you or any member of your family are displaying COVID symptoms.

#### If you have applied elsewhere

To confirm your post-16 place, please follow the instructions provided by your chosen college, sixth form, training provider or employer. In most cases, this should have been sent to you by email or letter. If your grades were not as expected and you need to make changes to your course or level of course, please follow their instructions initially.

If you need any help with your post-16 plans, please phone school. Face-to-face careers appointments will be available on results day between 10.00am and 3.30pm, but you will need to phone on the day to book a time. After results day, you can contact the careers team at careers@meadowhead.sheffield.sch.uk.

We are required to collect information on the destinations of all Y11 students when they leave us. We will send out a very short survey on, or shortly after, GCSE Results Day to find out your confirmed plans for next year, so please check your school email address for this.

We would like to wish all students all the best for the summer and look forward to hearing from you to confirm your destination routes.

Regards

Ms A Evans Head of Year 11