

Dear Parents and Carers

A Level Public Examinations Update - Summer 2023

I am writing to inform you about the reporting of results and to provide further information on the post result services provided by the examination boards.

Communication of A level Results

Our key aim is to ensure the A-level results are communicated quickly and effectively, and that our usual support mechanisms are in place to assist our candidates with their next steps. For all candidates, results will be issued via the candidates' Edulink account at 8.00am on the morning of 17 August and will be found under the examination results tab. In addition, for those wishing to collect their results in person, the school will be open between 8.00am and 10.00am. Envelopes will be ready for collection in the main hall. Uncollected envelopes will be posted on the same day. Please note we are unable to provide your child's results to anyone directly unless written permission is received from them.

Actions following results collection

Once candidates have viewed their results, they will need to use UCAS track to check the status of their university application. Please note that UCAS will update each individual applicant's status and they will need to have their Personal ID and password to sign in.

Prior to results day, candidates who have applied to attend university in the autumn, will need to log on to UCAS and familiarise themselves with the section 'Results, Confirmation and Clearing'. This will ensure that they are aware of the next steps and university admissions process for 2023. This can be found under ucas.com/undergraduate/results-clearing. Results will be published from 8.00am on UCAS and clearing will be open to students to make a choice from 1.00pm.

Please note that if candidates wish to go into clearing, they will need access to the Internet and a phone to contact institutions directly. We would strongly recommend that candidates contact institutions as early as possible to maximise their options. The Senior Leadership Team as well as the Sixth Form Team will be available to provide by phone or in person support and advice. If candidates require any additional guidance regarding their university choice they should seek out an appropriate member of staff in the 6th Form Hub or, if off site, phone the school on 01732 373500 where our receptionists will take their names, phone numbers and reasons for wanting to talk to us. We will ring back as soon as possible, but please note that the phone calls deemed most urgent will be dealt with first.

What to do if my child is unhappy with their examination grade?

All candidates have the opportunity to appeal their grades directly with the examinations board via the post results service. It is important to note that an appeal may result in a grade being lowered, staying the same, or going up. Therefore, if a candidate puts in an appeal and their grade is lowered, they will receive the lower mark.

Examination boards offer a range of post-results services:

- A clerical re-check: this is about checking whether the examiner has marked all of the pages, counted all of the marks and that the result matches the marks on the paper.
- A priority review or review of marking: this means a second examiner will review the paper/recording again to identify genuine marking errors or unreasonable marking and check that all marks are counted. A priority review is a quicker service for candidates whose place at a university or other higher education institution depends on the outcome. A copy of the reviewed script can also be requested. Please note that for all examination boards a fee will be charged for the reviewed script; however, AQA will provide this service automatically for free.
- A priority copy of a marked paper (access to scripts): this is about obtaining a copy of the marked exam paper to allow candidates to decide whether to request a review of marking or clerical re-check.

Please note these are not called 're-marks'. The examination boards will not 're-mark' exam scripts. The service is a review of the original marking, rather than a re-mark of the script. The examination boards will only check and then correct, genuine marking errors; they will not change reasonable marks.

If candidates are unhappy with the outcomes of these post results services then they can appeal against the examination board's decision. Please contact us to discuss this option further at the time.

Grade protection does not apply to any post-review services that include a review of marking. This means that students' marks and subject grades may be lowered, confirmed or raised as a result. We must ensure we have your child's consent before we submit a request. Please do read https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Post-Results-Service June23 FINAL.pdf for further information on post results services.

Forms outlining these services are attached and can be found in the Notifications area on Edulink. Completed forms need to be emailed to Exams@wealdgs.org by the deadlines detailed on the form and payment needs to be made by ParentPay. Please note that the appeal must come from the student involved and we cannot process the appeal until payment is made on ParentPay.

We look forward to celebrating with Year 13 at the Year 13 Leavers' Prom at the Salomons Estate on the evening of 30th June.

Yours sincerely

Mr K Fidock

Assistant Headteacher

Post-results services: deadlines, fees and charges for each component Summer 2023

The post-results services available are:

- Reviews of Results (RoRs): Clerical re-check; review of marking; review of moderation; appeals
- Access to scripts (ATS): Access to marked examination scripts

Grade protection does not apply to any of our post-review services that include a review of marking. This means that students' marks and subject grades may be **lowered**, **confirmed or raised** as a result. This does not apply to moderation reviews. We **must** have students' consent before submitting a request. The price listed below is per paper reviewed

GCE

Post-results service	Deadline (Final date for requesting)	AQA fees and charges	OCR fees and charges	Pearson fees and charges	WJEC / Eduqas fees and charges
RoR Service 1 (Clerical re-check)	27 September 2023	£ 8.70	£ 10.00	£ 12.50	£ 11
RoR Service 2 (Review of marking)	27 September 2023	£ 46.75	£ 57.50	£ 51.70	£ 46
RoR Priority Service 2 (Review of marking)	23 August 2023	£ 55.60	£ 70.75	£ 61.60	£ 55
ATS Copy of script to support review of marking ¹	30 August 2023	£0	£0	£0	£0
ATS Post-RoR copy	27 September 2023	£0	£ 14.75	£ 13.80	£ 11

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RoR Service 1 (Clerical re-check)	27 September 2023	£ 8.70	£ 10.00	£ 12.50	£ 11
RoR Service 2 (Review of marking)	27 September 2023	£ 40.35	£ 57.50	£ 44.50	£ 40
ATS Copy of script to support review of marking	6 September 2023	£0	£0	£0	£0
ATS Post-RoR copy	27 September 2023	£0	£ 14.75	£ 13.80	£ 11

Post-results services: request, consent and payment form

Summer 2023

To request a Review of Results (RoR) service and/or an Access to Scripts (ATS) service, complete the required information in the white boxes and sign and date the form to confirm the required consent. A summary of the services available are referenced below.

Candidate number		Candidate name		Candidate email		
Awarding Body	Qualificatio	n level, Sub	ject title & Unit/Component code	Paper code	<u>SRN</u>	Fee
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						£
						£
						£

RoR Candidate consent ATS Candidate consent

By signing here, I give my consent to the head of my school or college to submit a clerical re-check or a review of marking for the examination(s) listed above.

In giving consent I understand that the final subject

grade and/or mark awarded to me following a clerical re -check or a review of marking, and any subsequent appeal, may be lower than, higher than, or the same as the result which was originally awarded for this subject.

By signing here, I consent to my scripts being accessed by my centre (Tick ONE of the boxes below)

- ☐ If any of my scripts are used in the classroom, I do not wish anyone to know they are mine. My name and candidate number must be removed.
- ☐ If any of my scripts are used in the classroom, I have no objection to other people knowing they are mine.

Consent statements above and details of the RoR services below taken from JCQ's Post-Results Services (section 4, appendices A and B)

<u>SRN</u>	Post-results service	Details of the service
<u>R1</u>	RoR Service 1 (Clerical re-check)	This is a re-check of all clerical procedures leading to the issue of a result This service will include the following checks: • that all parts of the script have been marked • the totalling of marks • the recording of marks
<u>R2</u>	RoR Service 2 (Review of marking)	This is a post-results review of the original marking to ensure that the agreed mark scheme has been applied correctly Reviewers will not re-mark the script . They will only act to correct any errors identified in the original marking This service will include: • the clerical re-checks detailed in Service 1 • a review of marking as described above
<u>R2P</u>	RoR Priority Service 2 (Review of marking)	This is the same as Service 2 above but the review is conducted as a priority by the awarding body. This service is only available for GCE A-level qualifications
<u>A1</u>	ATS Copy of script to support review of marking	This is a priority service that ensures copies of scripts are returned in sufficient time to allow decisions to be made whether a nonpriority review of marking should be applied for

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Total fee(s) received	£	Service(s) applied for	Date	Outcome(s) received	Date(s)	Candidate notified	Date(s)	Outcome(s) complete	Date(s)
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