



Dear Senior Phase Students and Parent(s) / Carer(s),

SQA Exam Results 2022

The SQA will publish exam results to students on Tuesday, 9th August 2022. If you have signed up to MySQA you will receive your results electronically; if not, they will arrive by post.

Prior to this, by the end of July, all students who sat SQA exams this year will receive in the post a document entitled "Appeals 2022: What you need to know" which outlines to everyone about the results you receive and what you can do if they were not what you expected. You can also access this information now at https://www.sqa.org.uk/files_ccc/SQA-Appeals-2022-guidance-for-learners.pdf

Priority Appeals for places at Higher Education establishments

The priority appeals process is open to any student who:

1. Has a conditional offer for university and
2. Has obtained an exam result grade which is lower than the estimate grade submitted to the SQA by Mintlaw Academy in April 2022.

Please note that you will not be able to submit an appeal on the SQA's system unless Point Two above is met.

If you have any questions about whether you can submit a priority appeal you can contact the school on Tuesday, 9th August 2022 when staff will be available to answer your query from 10.00 – 14.00. Alternatively, you can contact the school by:

- Phoning the school on 01771 676670
- Emailing the Mintlaw.aca@aberdeenshire.gov.uk and addressing the email for the attention of: Mrs Whitehead, SQA Co-ordinator.

Once you have determined if you can submit a **priority appeal** you have until 23.59 on Tuesday, 16th August 2022 to do so. This will be through an online portal which the SQA will provide more information about when they send information out to you later in July.

The school will then submit the evidence we have to support the priority appeal to the SQA electronically by Friday, 19th August 2022. A decision on the appeal will be made by the SQA

and sent to schools on Monday, 5th September 2022 so that decisions can be made in advance of courses starting in other establishments.

Conditional offers for North East Scotland College (NESCol)

The advice from this establishment is as follows for those with conditional offers:

1. If you have a conditional offer, then information on how to upload your results is contained in the conditional offer sent directly to you.
2. Please contact NESCol with your results information as swiftly as possible after receiving your results.
3. If you have not met the conditions of an offer, staff at NESCol will contact applicants to discuss their individual circumstances, next steps and any appeals that could be submitted.
4. Curriculum staff at NESCol will be available on 10th and 11th August 2022 to support applicants and admission staff are available.

Please note that NESCol do not require priority appeals status for any conditional offer – this only applies to university entrance through UCAS.

Conditional offers for other Further Educational establishments, Training or Employment

The advice is to contact the establishment or company directly, provide them with your results and if there is a query around your results you can contact the school on Tuesday, 9th August 2022 when staff will be available to answer your query from 10.00 – 14.00. Alternatively, you can contact the school by:

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All non-priority appeals

Students have until 23.59 on Tuesday, 30th August 2022 to submit a non-priority appeal. This will be through an online portal which the SQA will provide more information about when they send information out to you later in July.

The school will review all information associated with non-priority appeals on our return and has until Friday, 2nd September 2022 to submit all evidence.

The school will not deal with non-priority appeal enquiries prior to students' return to school on Tuesday, 23rd August 2022. Please do not contact the school about these before this date because the school must concentrate its resources on priority appeals during the holiday period.

We appreciate that the results period can be a stressful time for students; the information in this letter allows students and families to deal with queries in the appropriate way. The school will, as always, respond as swiftly as we can to these queries but please be aware that the priority appeals process lies within the summer holidays for staff and only a handful of staff will be available in school at this time.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'EJ Whitehead', followed by a period. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mrs EJ Whitehead
Depute Head Teacher