

2020 Results: Information for students and parents/carers

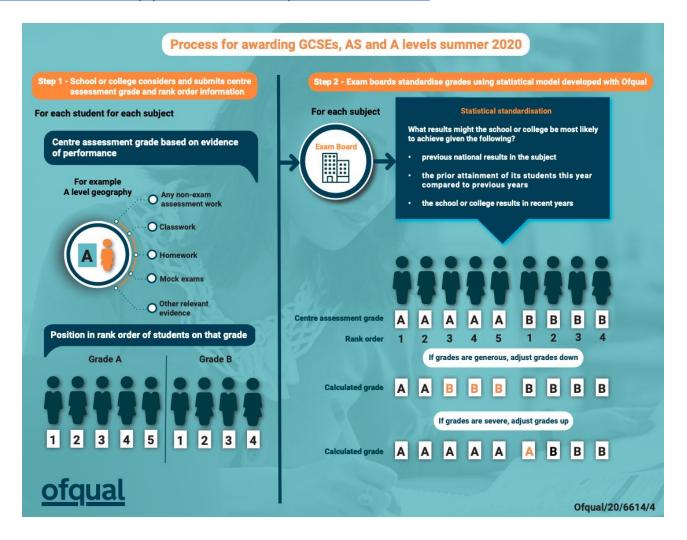
Do my results today count for the same as results in any normal year?

Yes. Congratulations, you worked hard to achieve these results and they reflect not just this disrupted year of your education but the entire time that you have spent at St Katherine's. When you are asked to present your results that you have achieved, nobody will view them any differently to other years.

I am unhappy with my results. Can you tell me how they were determined?

We understand that some students, as they are every year, might be surprised by their results and we will work with you over the coming weeks to fully understand how exam boards have dealt with the information provided by your teachers. Your teachers spent a long time considering all of the evidence available and produced a set of grades that were presented to the exam boards. These grades were compared with those submitted by all schools across the country and in some cases decisions will have been made to adjust the grades presented by teachers. Complete the attached form to request the grades that your teachers submitted to exam boards.

Watch this video to help you understand the process used in 2020





Can I appeal against the results that I have been awarded?

Please take time to read this useful student guide to results day.

On 30 June 2020, OfQual released the following response to this question.

"Any appeal would have to be undertaken by someone better placed than the student's teachers to judge their likely grade if exams had taken place – in the unique circumstances of this summer, we do not believe there is any such person. In addition, because of the role of the rank order in grading this year, such an appeal would have implications for other students in the cohort: if one student successfully appealed against their position in the rank order, it would have negative implications for other students who would, in turn, need to be given an opportunity to appeal."

In effect this means that there is no centralised appeals process for 2020 results.

"If students or others have concerns about bias, discrimination or any other factor that suggests that a centre did not behave with care or integrity when determining the centre assessment grade and/or rank order information they should normally raise these concerns with their centre, in the first instance. In some cases, where there is evidence of serious malpractice on the part of the centre, it may be appropriate to bring those concerns directly to the exam board in the first instance."

Your results slip will show clearly which exam boards are responsible for each subject.

The full response from Ofqual is linked below

 $\underline{https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ofqual-publishes-more-details-on-appeals-and-confirms-autumn-exam-arrangements}$

Guide for students concerned about malpractice or maladministration

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907768/Information_for_studen_ts_about_malpractice-7-8-2020.pdf

Can I retake exams if I am unhappy with my results?

A full set of exams will be available throughout October and November for those who would like to improve upon their grades. We will send out full details of how to enter for these exams during the first weeks of September.

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"Any student unable to receive a calculated result, and others who would like to improve their grades, will have an opportunity to take the full suite of GCSE, AS and A level exams in the autumn, Ofqual has stated ...we will confirm the exact timing of the exams in due course, aiming for AS and A levels to be held in October and GCSEs in November."

Should you have any further questions, please contact Mr Francis Black francisblacka@skdrive.org.



Request for Centre Assessed Grades

Complete this form to request the centre-assessed grades and rank position within that grade for each subject. These two pieces of information will be provided within 30 days of you request. Completion of this form does not constitute a full Subject Access Request (SAR) and your right to make a SAR at any point in the future is not affected.

Name: _				
Candidate Number: _				
Subject	Exam Board	Exam Board Awarded Grade	Centre Assessed Grade	Rank
				of
Candidate name: Date:				
Candidate signature:			Date:	<u> </u>
Exams Officer Signature:			Date:	