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## **RE: Contingency plans for Summer 2022 A Levels**

Dear Year 13 Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you of the contingency arrangements all schools will follow if A Level exams are not able to take place in the summer of 2022. As the academic year progresses we are increasingly optimistic that students will sit their final exams as planned like any typical year, however if the nature of the pandemic changes Ofqual have indicated the following:

- If exams in 2022 are cancelled students will be issued with a Teacher Assessed Grade (TAG) following a *similar* process to 2021.
- TAGs will be based on the results from three assessment points throughout the year. These will be the December Mocks, March Mocks and an additional Summer Assessment series which will be scheduled by school if national exams are cancelled.

Students were informed of this before the October half term break and so have been able to make the appropriate preparations for the upcoming mocks.

Assuming the summer exams do take place as planned, on February 7<sup>th</sup> exam boards will issue guidance on which topics students should prioritise in their revision. As soon as this information becomes available we will share this with you to help ensure all students are equipped to perform to their full potential this year.

Should you wish to read the guidance in full you may find the following links useful:

- 1. Ofqual Contingency Arrangements
- 2. Letter to students

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3. Exam Arrangement FAQs

We will of course keep you informed if there are further developments. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr T Kennedy-Fowler Deputy Headteacher



