

Northampton School for Boys



An independent Academy for the Town and County

May 2022

Arrangements for Examination Period – A Levels / AS Levels

I am writing to confirm arrangements for the forthcoming A Level examination period starting on Monday, 23rd May and finishing on Friday, 24th June. All candidates must keep Wednesday, 29th June clear as it is the National Contingency date, and as such, could be used in the unlikely event of exams being moved by the JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications).

Each student received a copy of their exam timetable in January. Another copy of the exam timetable, including seating and rooming information, was also issued in May.

For Year 13 students, normal timetabled lessons will continue up to and including Friday, 13th May. All Year 13 A Level students will be on study leave from Monday, 16th May. Year 13 students should normally undertake revision at home during study leave, although students may also attend school to revise. Students can email their teachers if they require any support with their revision or if they wish to request / confirm a time for a face-to-face revision support session with their teacher in school.

Year 12 Further Maths students will continue with normal timetabled lessons throughout the exam period, however the day prior and the morning of each A Level Maths paper will be authorised study leave for students to revise at home.

Students will be expected to be in office dress whenever they are in school during the exam period whether for exams or for revision.

I also ask that every student and parent / carer reads through the information sent by the Exams Office, including notices from JCQ. These can be found via this link: Exams Office letter / information.

Within the information sent by the Exams Office, students / parents / carers should take particular note of the rules in the Exam Hall which includes a ban on mobile phones / electronic devices and all types of watches. Parents / carers should also ensure that they understand the protocol for making special consideration requests. Special consideration is given to a candidate who has temporarily experienced illness, injury or some other event outside of their control at the time of the assessment. It is applied when the issue or event has had, or is reasonably likely to have had, a material effect on a candidate's ability to take an assessment or demonstrate his or her normal level of attainment in an assessment. Special consideration can go some way to assist a candidate affected by a potentially wide range of difficulties, emotional or physical, which may influence performance in their examinations.

A Level results will be available for students from the school on Thursday, 18th August in the morning. Results will also be uploaded to the AIM portal on Thursday, 18th August from 12 noon. Face-to-face support for students will be accessible at the school throughout Thursday, 18th August and Friday, 19th August. Further details regarding A Level Results Day and the appeals process will be sent before the end of the academic year - this will include confirmation of the timings of the release of the results.

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We are very grateful to parents / carers for their support of students during the exam period in helping / encouraging students to revise thoroughly for their exams. We strongly advise that student participation in any part time work is stopped / minimised throughout the exam period so that students can focus solely on their revision.

I wish all students the very best of luck in every exam that they sit, although the harder they work the luckier they will be!

Yours sincerely

Richard Bernard

Headmaster









