Dear Parents and Carers

Re: GCSE Post Results Services

I hope this letter finds you well. As the GCSE results have been released, I wanted to take a moment to provide you with information about the circumstances in which you might consider requesting a Review of Marking of your child's GCSE result.

We understand that receiving exam results can be a moment of both excitement and concern for students and their families. The examination process is rigorous, and the grading is done with utmost care. However, there can be instances where students and parents might have reservations about the awarded grades. In such cases, the option for an Enquiry About Results (EAR) is available.

An EAR can be one or more of the following:

- Access to Scripts: scripts are requested back, to be reviewed to see if it is worthwhile going for a Review of Marking or a Clerical Check.
- **Clerical Check:** Checks will be made that all parts of the script have been marked, the totalling of marks, the recording of marks.
- Review of Marking: Review of the original marking to ensure that the mark scheme has been applied correctly

Here are some circumstances under which you might consider requesting an EAR:

Significant Discrepancy: If you believe that your child's result significantly deviates from their expected performance, considering their academic history, mock exam results, and overall performance in the subject, it might be worth considering a remark.

If the result in a subject is not in line with the other grades your child has received.

Unexpected Result: If the result received is drastically different from your child's performance as observed throughout the year, you may consider an EAR to ensure there were no administrative errors in marking or data entry.

Near-Miss Grades: If your child is just a few marks away (1 or 2) from a higher-grade boundary, requesting a Review of Marking could potentially result in an improved grade. You can check the grades boundaries following these links:

AQA GCSE grade boundaries for 2024

A full list of AQA GCSE grade boundaries will be available here

Edexcel GCSE grade boundaries for 2024

A full list of Edexcel GCSE grade boundaries will be available here

OCR GCSE grade boundaries for 2024

A full list of OCR GCSE grade boundaries will be available here

eduqas GCSE grade boundaries for 2024

A full list of WJEC GCSE grade boundaries will be available here

Subject Importance: If the subject in question is integral to your child's chosen career path or future studies, and the result is not reflective of their abilities, a Review of Marking might be a suitable option.

Next Steps:

Access to Scripts

If you would like to request Access to Script, please email h.wilkinson@bridgewaterhigh.com with the subject script you wish to review, by **Monday 2 September 2024.**

Review of Marking

If you would like to request a Review of Marking, please complete, and return the form which was with the exam results along with the appropriate fee and return to the examination office by **Friday 20 September 2024**

More forms can be collected from reception.

At Bridgewater High, we are committed to supporting both our students and their families through this process. We want to ensure that each student's hard work and dedication are rightfully acknowledged.

Kind Regards

Helen Wilkinson

Examinations Manager