

Deadline for submitting grades: 18 June 2021

Teachers will make a holistic judgement of each student's performance based on a broad range of evidence. The approach to awarding grades this year is similar for both students completing general qualifications and those certifying for vocational qualifications.

Do not share teacher assessed grades with students, parents, carers, or anyone outside the centre.

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

Your centre and/or multi-academy trust agree the approach and clearly define roles and responsibilities for:

- assessment and how evidence will be used and recorded
- internal standardisation arrangements, so that teachers make consistent judgements
- internal sign off processes
- comparing grades against previous cohorts and prior attainment to make sure that it is not easier or harder for students to achieve a particular grade this year

EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

Awarding organisations:

- review centres' internal QA processes
- sample subjects to see how grades were determined

HEADS OF CENTRE

The Head of Centre completes declaration confirming:

- internal quality assurance have been carried out on grades submitted
- grades have been determined in line with the:
 - internal agreed approach
 - awarding organisation requirements
- grades are a true representation of student performance
- guidance has been followed to minimise bias and discrimination
- evidence and all relevant records are available for inspection
- students have been taught sufficient content to progress to the next stage of their education

PRIVATE CANDIDATES

- Assessed in a similar way to other students
- Use a range of evidence (this could include awarding organisation assessment materials)
- Internal quality assurance processes should also be applied to private candidates you enter

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further guidance and assessment materials will be available to you and your colleagues over the coming weeks. This will be provided by us, here at OCR, as well as Ofqual, the DfE and JCQ. We know that this information is needed as quickly as possible and we are here to support you and your teachers throughout this process.

OCR – Everything you need to know for summer 2021

You can sign up for updates to receive the latest information [here](#).

Ofqual consultation outcomes (February 2021)

Decisions on how GCSE, AS and A level grades will be determined in summer 2021 can be found [here](#).

Decisions on alternative arrangements for the award of VTQs and other general qualifications in 2021 can be found [here](#).

Department for Education

[Awarding qualifications in summer 2021](#)
[How qualifications will be awarded in 2021](#)

For further guidance and support, take a look at our [FAQs](#).