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Summer Examinations 2022

Learner/Parent/Carer Information Meeting March 2022

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Introduction



This presentation outlines a range of useful guidance on adaptations and information for summer 2022 examinations.

Supporting information:

In July 2021, WJEC published adaptations to exams and NEA assessments for summer 2022:

- Summer 2022: GCE adaptations

<https://www.wjec.co.uk/media/blch0uqb/gce-adaptations-booklet-for-summer-2022-e-09-09-2021.pdf>

- Summer 2022: GCSE adaptations

<https://www.wjec.co.uk/media/glucartp/gcse-adaptations-booklet-for-summer-2022-e-09-09-2021.pdf>

- Adaptations were aligned to Qualifications Wales' 'Requirements for Adapting Assessments for GQ Qualifications in 2022'

<https://qualificationswales.org/english/publications/requirements-for-adapting-assessments-for-gq-qualifications-gcse-gce-and-welsh-baccalaureate-skills-challenge-certificate-in-2022/>



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Learners in Year 10:

- GCSE English Literature
- GCSE Mathematics-Numeracy
- GCSE Science
- GCSE ICT

Learners in Year 11:

- All GCSE subjects

Learners in Year 12:

- All AS examinations

Learners in Year 13:

- All A level Subjects



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Are there any changes to the exams?

- Wherever possible, WJEC have kept the structure of the exams the same as in a normal year so that learners who are familiar with past papers will not be surprised by the exam paper.
- In some subjects, where a whole section has been removed from assessment the exams do look different. Where this is the case, WJEC have provided an updated sample assessment to reflect how the exam will be structured in the summer.
- The adaptations booklets on the summer 2022 area of the WJEC website AS/A Level and GCSE Assessment Arrangements 2022 (wjec.co.uk) and the summaries of assessment on the subject pages of the website outline the changes to individual qualifications.

<https://www.wjec.co.uk/home/2022-everything-you-need-to-know/as-a-level-and-gcse-assessment-arrangements-2022/>



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Are there any changes to the exam arrangements?

- In most subjects the exams will run as usual.
- In subjects where sections have been removed, timings have been adjusted to reflect the reduction in assessment.
- There are a small number of qualifications where reading time has been added to the exam due to the introduction of optional questions.
- Please consult the full exam timetable for precise timings of each assessment.
- Key Dates & Timetables (wjec.co.uk):

https://www.wjec.co.uk/home/administration/key-dates-and-timetables/#tab_0



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Key dates for learners:



- All learners have received their full individual examination timetable. They will need to check this carefully to ensure all their subjects are listed. They should use this timetable to help them produce a revision timetable at home.
- The summer exam timetable runs from Monday 16th May to Wednesday 22nd June. However, the examination board has designated a contingency day on Wednesday 29th June.
- The designation of a 'contingency day' within the common examination timetable is in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations in the United Kingdom. It is part of the awarding bodies' standard contingency planning for examinations. Centres must therefore remind candidates that they must remain available until Wednesday 29 June 2022 should an awarding body need to invoke its contingency plan.



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Important Information – Year 11&13

- Due to the amount of time learners have already lost to the pandemic, we will expect learners to continue to attend all normal timetabled lessons up to Whitsun, Friday 27th May.
- Registration will take place every morning.
- Revision sessions will be put in place where possible between examinations.
- After Whitsun, there will still be revision sessions offered (timetable to follow), which learners will be expected to attend between examinations.



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- We will expect learners to continue to attend all normal timetabled lessons, throughout the examination period.
- Year 12 learners will commence their year 13 courses as soon as the AS examinations are completed.



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Questions?



If you have any questions, please email the examinations officer:

exams@aberdare-school.co.uk

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