



Autumn Exam Series 2021

Dear Student

If you wish to enter for this series then you will sit the exams here at Wellington, even though some of you have left. The exception is, if you did not achieve a Grade 4 in Maths or English Language, you should re-sit these subjects at college as part of your re-sit course. Any concerns, please do contact the school.

A Level: exams will be run from Monday 4 October until Friday 22 October.

GCSE: exams will run from Monday 15 November until Thursday 2 December.

November usual exams series for GCSE Maths and English Language: will run from Monday 1 November until Monday 8 November.

If you wish to sit in the Autumn exam series you **MUST DO THE FOLLOWING BY THE INTERNAL DEADLINES BELOW**. This allows us time to process any requests and accept payments.

1. Please complete the form which is online under Key Information/Exam Information/Autumn 2021 Exams Series and return it to jbaxter@wellington.trafford.sch.uk. These **MUST** be subjects you were entered for in Summer 2021 and the information for these subjects will be on your Statement of Results.
2. Candidates will need to pay for any exam entries. Once you have contacted school we will be able to let you know the costs which you can pay before we can make the entry. This is to ensure that students who do not turn up for the exam, the school does not lose the entry costs. We will return the entry costs to when you have sat the exam(s).

Autumn Entry INTERNAL Deadline A Level: MONDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER

Autumn Entry INTERNAL Deadline GCSE (excluding English Lang and Maths): WEDNESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER

November Entry INTERNAL Deadline GCSE English Language and Maths: WEDNESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER

*Due to entry deadlines late forms will **not** be accepted.*

Below is information which may be helpful when deciding whether to sit or not sit exams this Autumn.

No Non-Exam Assessments (NEA)

There will be no non-exam assessments for GCSE, AS and A-level. All grades will be determined by students' performance in the exams only.

The only exception to this is for art and design qualifications, where grades will be determined by students' performance in a task set and marked by the exam board.

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Endorsements

Students will be able to carry forward their GCSE English Language, GCSE MFL and A-level Science endorsement grade/level from summer 2021 or a previous series or resit them if their school or college decides to offer the opportunity. There's no requirement for schools and colleges to offer the endorsement this series.

If a student only sits the written paper but doesn't complete or carry forward their endorsement result, they'll receive a subject grade on their certificate for the written papers, but will also show a 'not classified' level/grade for GCSE MFL and A-level Science and 'not attempted' for GCSE English Language for the endorsement.

Adaptations for GCSE exams only

Adaptations will only be made for subjects that had a previous arrangement following Ofqual's consultation in 2020 ([see below](#)). Reasonable adjustments will be made for eligible students. All subjects will be assessed by exam except art and design which will be assessed by a task set and marked by the exam board. Students' grades will be determined by their performance on this task.


Subjects with agreed adaptations for exams in 2021:

- GCSE English Literature – reduction in content through optionality in the papers. Shakespeare and unseen poetry will be compulsory. Then a choice of two from Anthology of poetry, Modern text and 19th century novel
- GCSE History – reduction in content through increased optionality. Paper 1 section B will be compulsory. Then a choice of two from the other three sections
- GCSE Geography – removing the need to complete fieldwork and answer questions relating to their own fieldwork experience (Paper 3 question 5). Unfamiliar fieldwork will still be assessed
- GCSE MFLs – increased optionality in the writing paper to allow students to answer on their preferred theme. Vocabulary amends to the reading and listening papers to reduce testing words outside of the vocabulary lists.

Provisional timetables will be posted separately at a later date on the school website under Key Information/Exam Information/Autumn 2021.

You will receive confirmation when the entries have been made, a statement of entry and a copy of the JCQ 2021/22 Rules and Regulations to read.

Regards



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Exams Officer