



Our Ref: PB/gs
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Dear S4/5/6 Pupils, Parents & Carers

SQA Exam Results 2022

The SQA will publish exam results to students on Tuesday 9 August 2022. If you have signed up to MySQA you will receive your results electronically; if not, they will arrive by post.

Prior to this, before Results Day, all students who sat SQA exams this year will receive in the post a document entitled “Appeals 2022: What you need to know” which outlines everything about the results you receive and what you can do if they are not what you expected. You can also access this information now at https://www.sqa.org.uk/files_ccc/SQA-Appeals-2022-guidance-for-learners.pdf or on Ellon Academy’s website at <https://ellonacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/SQA-Appeals-2022-guidance-for-learners.pdf>

The electronic booklet was also emailed home on Tuesday 28 June 2022.

Priority Appeals for places at Higher Education establishments

The priority appeals process is open to any student who:

1. Has a conditional offer for university and
2. Has obtained an exam result grade which is lower than the estimate grade submitted to the SQA by Ellon Academy in April 2022.

Please note that you will not be able to submit an appeal on the SQA’s system unless Point Two above is met. Any student who has already been through the Examination Exceptional Circumstances is not eligible for an appeal for the same subject.

Ellon Academy is providing a call-back service on Results Day (Tuesday 9 August 2022) and the following day (Wednesday 10 August 2022). If you have any questions about whether you can submit a priority appeal you should complete the Form (link below) and a member of staff will get back to you. The form closes on Wednesday 10 August 2022 at 17:00.

<https://forms.office.com/r/MJsGkUMKy2>

Once you have determined if you can submit a **priority appeal** you have until 23:59 on Tuesday 16 August 2022 to do so. This will be through an online portal which the SQA will provide more information about when they send information prior to the Appeals portal opening.

The school will then submit the evidence we have to support the priority appeal to the SQA electronically by Monday 22 August 2022 and a decision on the appeal will be made by the SQA and sent to schools on Monday 5 September 2022 so that decisions can be made in advance of courses starting in other establishments.

Conditional offers for North East Scotland College (NESCol)

The advice from this establishment is as follows for those with conditional offers:

1. If you have a conditional offer, then information on how to upload your results is contained in the conditional offer sent directly to you.
2. Please contact NESCol with your results information as swiftly as possible after receiving your results.
3. If you have not met the conditions of an offer, staff at NESCol will contact applicants to discuss their individual circumstances, next steps and any appeals that could be submitted.
4. Curriculum staff at NESCol will be available on 10 and 11 August 2022 to support applicants and admission staff are available right through the Summer period. NESCol would encourage any applicants to contact them directly if they have any concerns.

Please note that NESCol do not require priority appeals status for any conditional offer – this only applies to university entrance through UCAS.

Conditional offers for other Further Educational establishments, Training or Employment

The advice is to contact the establishment or company directly, provide them with your results and if there is a query around your results and the need for a priority appeal contact the school. You should contact the school via the Form on Tuesday 9 or Wednesday 10 August 2022. A member of staff will contact you if your request is of an urgent nature. The link to the Form is below. The form closes on Wednesday 10 August 2022 at 17:00.

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All non-priority appeals

Students have until 23.59 on Tuesday 30 August 2022 to submit a non-priority appeal. This will be through an online portal which the SQA will provide more information about when they send information out to you before Results Day.

The school will review all information associated with non-priority appeals on our return and has until Friday 2 September 2022 to submit all evidence.

The school will not deal with non-priority appeal enquiries prior to students' return to school on Tuesday 23 August 2022. Please do not contact the school about these before this date because the school must concentrate its resources on priority appeals during the holiday period.

Results and subject choice changes for 2022-23

If, due to results achieved, students wish to review their options for study in 2022-23 at Ellon Academy, they can contact the School Office on Tuesday 9 August or Wednesday 10 August 2022, during office hours (8am to 3.45pm), to book a 5min appointment with their Principal Teacher of Guidance (PTG). PTGs will be available on Monday 22 August in the afternoon. Appointments will be limited but students can arrange to see their PTG on return to school.

We appreciate that the results period can be a stressful time for students; the information in this letter allows students and families to deal with queries in the appropriate way. The school will, as always, respond as swiftly as we can to these queries but please be aware that the priority appeals process will be given precedence. Please also be mindful that only a handful of staff will be available voluntarily during the holidays to address any queries. The School Office can provide assistance with the Microsoft Form, if required.

Yours sincerely,

P Buchan

Mrs P Buchan, Rector