

If you don't sit any mocks what happens? Will it affect my grade?

As this will be one of the main pieces of evidence that everyone will have, it will give your teacher a harder job of justifying your grade. They have to be able to justify their decision – mock exams really help them do that as they are in formal conditions and everyone is compared equally to each other.

Will I get exam leave on the 19th March? (There is a textiles exam...)

No, exam leave begins on Monday 22nd March.

What can I do if I have a long gap between exams? (Some students have a 3 hr gap)

We encourage students to go home in between exams. We will make bubble rooms available where there is a need for them. More details next week on this.

What happens if I have to self-isolate for the exams?

We are working on this at the moment. Decision to follow. As you will understand, there is no solution to this that is perfect. But we will ensure that you get the chance to do the exams in some form so we can use your marks as evidence- taking your personal situation into account- to help us work out your final grade.

What happens if I arrive late?

Don't be late. It is hugely disruptive to everyone in the examination room and you give yourself a lesser chance of doing well as you are not organised effectively at the start. If you arrive too late you risk not being allowed in to the exam.

Will there be any exams after Easter?

That is yet to be decided, but it is a likely possibility. We have to assess students as instructed by Ofqual in the fairest and most effective manner. One of the ways of doing this is exams. However, I can say that if there are exams, it will not be like doing the GCSEs as it will be just a way of running ordinary summative assessments in controlled conditions.

Do I have to wear uniform for mocks?

Yes.

What will results day be like?

For mock exams there will be no results day. Marks will be issued to students when we decide everything is in order and we are ready to do so. We will talk to our subject leaders about this.

For your main results day on August 12th 2021 it depends very much on the restrictions we are still in. Last year we had to issue results via Edulink. We will have to wait until the lockdown easing begins before we have a better idea about this.