



Blackfen School for Girls

Raising aspirations - releasing potential

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Examinations policy Appendix 3: Review of marking - external assessment

Teachers, parents and students should note the Ofqual ruling that that appeals may only be made against **the process of marking** that led to the award of a mark or grade and not against the actual mark or grade.

SECTION 1 - FEES AND ELIGIBILITY

1. Post Results Services are only available to candidates sitting GCSE, GCE, Principal Learning & Projects (including Extended Project) and BTEC (NQF) Level 2 external assessment only.
2. The cost of EARs are paid by the school where this is the recommended action by Subject or Faculty Leaders or the Leadership Team. EAR fees are paid by the candidate where this is not the recommended action of the Subject or Faculty Leader or the Leadership Team. Please see the detailed notes in Point 3.
3. In line with Blackfen School's 'Charging and Remissions' policy (Public examinations), fees for 'EAR' services are levied in the following circumstances:
 - a) The request is not approved by the relevant Subject leader, Faculty Leader or member of the Senior Leadership Team.
 - b) An external student from another school requests use of Blackfen School as an examination centre and requests 'EAR' services.
 - c) An ex-student of Blackfen School requests to use the school as an examination centre and requests 'EAR' services.
 - d) A student currently on roll at Blackfen School sits an examination against the advice of the Subject or Faculty Leader and requests 'EAR' services.
 - e) A student currently on roll at Blackfen School sits an examination with the approval of the Subject or Faculty Leader but fails to attend lessons or to complete revision and learning activities to the standard set by the school and requests 'EAR' services.
4. Blackfen School for Girls can pursue an 'Enquiry About Result' ('EAR') on behalf of a single candidate or a whole cohort who have not achieved the grade(s) that were expected of them. The school must receive written permission from each candidate concerned before processing a request for clerical re-checks or a post-results review of marking.
5. Candidates making 'EAR' requests must understand that their marks for assessments may change and this may result in subject grades overall or for specified units/modules being raised or lowered.



SECTION 2 – ‘ENQUIRY ABOUT RESULTS’ SERVICES

There are six ‘Enquiry About Result’ services available:

1. Clerical checks – may take up to 20 days for completion

The following checks are made:

- All parts of the script have been marked
- Accurate totalling of marks
- Accurate recording of marks

2. Review of original marking – may take up to 20 days for completion

- A clerical check (see above)
- Review of marking by a senior examiner
- A photocopy of the reviewed script may be requested. This action incurs further charges and no further changes may be made to the script after this stage.

3. Priority review of marking – may take up to 18 days for completion

- This service is applicable for A-level examinations and is actioned by in line with advice from the Senior Leadership team, Faculty and/or Subject leaders.

4. Review of original moderation – may take up to 40 days for completion

- Coursework/controlled assessments marks are checked by an examiner.

5. Access to original scripts

- Students’ original scripts are returned to Blackfen School for Girls from Examination Boards after the deadline for ‘Enquiries About Results’ has expired. Once an original script has been ordered, it may not be subject to further ‘EAR’ action set out in Points 1 – 4 above.

6. Access to photocopies of scripts

- This service is available for A-Level scripts only. Once the requested A-level script(s) has been dispatched or emailed by Examination Boards, it is not possible to cancel or refund the application for photocopies of scripts. Once an original script has been ordered, it may not be subject to further ‘EAR’ action set out in Points 1 – 4 above.

This information is correct for external examinations up to 23.3.20. It will be updated as from January 2021.

FEES CHARGED FOR 'ENQUIRY ABOUT RESULTS' SERVICES

1. Clerical checks

Clerical check	GCE	GCSE	BTEC Level 1 & 2	BTEC Level 3	Deadline
Edexcel	£11.10	£11.10	£11.10	£11.10	19/09/20
AQA	£16.10	£8.05	n/a	n/a	
OCR	£17.45	£17.45	n/a	n/a	
WJEC	£11.00	£11.00	n/a	n/a	

2. Review of original marking

Review of original marking	GCE	GCSE	BTEC Level 1 & 2	BTEC Level 3	Deadline
Edexcel	£45.85	£39.50	£35.50	£35.50	19/09/20
AQA	£43.45	£37.55	n/a	n/a	
OCR	£48.50	£48.50	n/a	n/a	
WJEC	£40.00	£36.00	n/a	n/a	

3. Priority review of marking

Priority review of marking	GCE	GCSE	BTEC Level 1 & 2	BTEC Level 3	Deadline
Edexcel	£55.65	£45.40	n/a	£54.65	22/08/20
AQA	£51.75	n/a	n/a	n/a	
OCR	£59.80	n/a	n/a	n/a	
WJEC	£49.50	n/a	n/a	n/a	

4. Review of moderation

Review of moderation	GCE	GCSE	BTEC Level 1 & 2	BTEC Level 3	Deadline
Edexcel	£220.00*	£220.00 *	NA	NA	19/09/20
AQA	£251.60	£225.80			
OCR	£225.20	£225.20			
WJEC	£32.00**	n/a			

*£220.00 is for up to 5 candidates with £17.05 per candidate; thereafter it is **£32.00 per student

5. Access to original scripts (ATS)

Access to original scripts	GCE	GCSE	BTEC Level 1 & 2	BTEC Level 3	Deadline
Edexcel	Free	Free	Free	Free	19/09/20
AQA	£11.30**	£11.30**	NA	NA	
OCR	£12.15	£12.15			
WJEC	£11.00	£11.00			

** Priority Copy without review or clerical check

6. Access to copies of scripts (ATS)

Access to scripts	GCE	GCSE	BTEC Level 1 & 2	BTEC Level 3	Deadline
Edexcel	Free	Free	Free	Free	26/09/20
AQA	£14.35	n/a	n/a	n/a	
OCR	£11.75	£11.75	n/a	n/a	
WJEC	£11.00	£11.00	n/a	n/a	

These fees apply until 31st December 2020

