



An email update from Julia Howe – 5 January 2021 – cancellation of VTQ Examinations, January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the Prime Minister's announcement last night, there have understandably been concerns regarding Vocational and Technical Qualification assessments which are due to take place this month, yesterday the Department for Education clarified that the examinations which are scheduled may still take place. However, I am writing to inform you that we have made the decision to cancel these planned examinations, under the current circumstances we are not prepared to put our students and staff at any further risk. The impact of this decision, as it currently stands today, will result in the students taking these examinations later in the year – we will of course do all that we can to support the students to ensure that they are not disadvantaged by this decision. As we know, circumstances change regularly and the DfE may move VTQ assessments to centre assessed grades in line with A Levels and GCSEs, this is certainly something that colleges are requesting.

Apologies for the constant flow of emails, however, we have committed to keep you updated as the situation develops.

Once again, best wishes

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