# **Appeals**

The Appeals Process for summer 2021 allows you to appeal your grade where you believe there has been an error.

All Appeals must be submitted to JMHS using the *JMHS request for Centre Review and Consent Form* (which can be downloaded from the JMHS website at <u>https://www.jmhs.hereford.sch.uk/parents-information/teacher-assessed-grades/</u> in the Appeals section), and in the timeframes outlined below in the Key Dates section.

#### It is important to note that a grade could go up, down or stay the same as the result of an Appeal.

### Stage 1

You may request a Centre Review on the grounds that JMHS has :

- Failed to follow its procedures properly or consistently in arriving at your result, or,
- Made an administrative error in relation to the result.

If JMHS identifies an error with the grade that was submitted to the Exam Board, a revised grade and rationale will be sent and the Exam Board will consider if it is appropriate to issue a revised grade.

## Stage 2

Where JMHS does not believe an error has been made but you believe an error persists, JMHS will submit an Appeal to the Exam Board on your behalf along with full supporting evidence (the work used to determine your TAG). The exam board will consider:

- Whether the grade reflects an unreasonable exercise of academic judgement.
- And/or whether JMHS followed its procedures properly and consistently in arriving at the result or in conducting the review.
- And/or whether the Exam Board made an administrative error.

JMHS will confirm to you when a Stage 2 Appeal has been submitted to the Exam Board, and will report back to you when the Exam Board reaches its decision.

#### Exam Procedures Review Service (EPRS)

If you are still concerned that your grade is not correct after a Stage 2 Appeal, you may be able to apply for a Procedural Review to the EPRS. Ofqual will provide more information about this in due course.

# Key dates for reviews

Owing to the tight timescales for Appeals, the deadlines are absolute and <u>late requests will not be</u> <u>processed</u>. The dates shown are the final dates for JMHS to submit any Appeals to the Exam Boards, so any documentation from the student must be received in advance of these dates.

### **Priority Appeals**

Priority Appeals are for students applying to higher education who did not attain their firm/first choice, and wish to appeal an A Level or other Level 3 qualification result.

| 10 August to 16 August 2021 | Window for students to request a Centre Review |
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| 10 August to 20 August 2021 | JMHS conducts Centre Reviews                   |
| 10 August to 20 August 2021 | JMHS submits appeals to Exam Boards            |

#### **Non-Priority Appeals**

These timescales are for all other Appeals that do not fall into the Priority Appeal definition above.

| From Results Day to 3 September 2021  | Window for students to request a Centre Review |
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| From Results Day to 10 September 2021 | JMHS conducts Centre Reviews                   |
| From Results Day to 15 September 2021 | JMHS submits appeals to Exam Boards            |