

YSGOL RHIWABON

~ SINCE 1575 ~



Year 10 & 11 Centre Determined Grades Information for Parents / Year 10 & 11 Students

This Summary sheet is designed to provide the most up to date information regarding the WJEC Appeals Process, Summer 2021.

Centre Determined Grades

As you are aware your child has been busy, since March, completing assessments which contribute to overall Centre Determined Grades. We have sent three data captures so that families have been informed of the progress, as well as regular online updates to answer any questions you may have.

On Friday 18th June your child will receive their Centre Determined Grades. All teachers in Ysgol Rhiwabon have worked tirelessly to ensure that the grades awarded are fair, robust and carefully checked according to our internal quality assurance processes. A Learner Decision Making Record (LDMR) is held in school for every learner and every GCSE subject. Grades have been awarded holistically using a best-fit judgement using the WJEC guidelines and grade descriptors. Teachers have recorded the evidence and the overall grade decision on the Learner Decision Making Record. All grades have been quality assured in school to ensure their accuracy.

Centre Review in Stage 1 of the Appeals Process

On receipt of the provisional grades on Friday 18th June, your child can ask the school for a copy of the Learner Decision Making Record for any subject where they believe an error may have been made. This is called a Centre Review Stage explained below.

Centre Review – Stage 1

1. A student can request a review of a grade if they think an error has been made in the determination of a grade.
2. Students **must provide a reason** why they believe an error has been made.
3. Students need to be made aware that **the review may lead to a grade moving up, down or remaining the same**.
4. The centre review is **not** an opportunity for learners to try and improve grades that have been fairly determined using Ysgol Rhiwabon's Centre Policy and supported by clear evidence and the Learner Decision Making Record.
5. Request for the LDMR **must** be made via the schools email address (mailbox@rhiwabon-high.wrexham.sch.uk) within 48 hours of the issue of the provisional result being issued (by 9am on Monday 21st June 2021). Requests for LDMRs after this 48 hours cannot be accepted as set out by Qualifications Wales and WJEC.
6. Once a student has received the LDMR they have 5 working days to decide whether to request a centre review using the WJEC template available on the website. At this stage the student must submit a detailed explanation of the error which they believe has been made.

What happens next?

Stage 2

Following the Centre Review, if the school upholds its provisional grade, students can choose to follow Stage 2 of the WJEC Appeals Process. A student can appeal directly to the WJEC on the grounds of an unreasonable academic judgement. A Stage 2 Appeal cannot take place without the Stage 1 Centre Review. This stage of the appeal is for students who consider there has been a significant error of judgement in the Centre's grading decision.

At this level the WJEC will only uphold an appeal on the grounds of unreasonable academic judgement at Stage 2 if it is **well outside the bounds of reasonable academic judgement and the that evidence cannot reasonable support the grade.**

Stage 3 – Qualifications Wales Exam Procedures Review Service (EPRS)

This stage of the review is final and it is a procedural review conducted by Qualifications Wales to check WJEC's procedures and the regulatory requirements in the awarding of a qualification.

Submission of Centre Determined Grades to WJEC

All provisional Centre Determined Grades must be submitted to the WJEC by Ysgol Rhiwabon staff by **2nd July 2021**.

Any change of grade due to a Centre Review must be submitted by **20th July 2021**.

Please do not hesitate to contact us in school if you have any questions regarding the WJEC Appeals process for Summer 2021.

Thank you.

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