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Dear Parents / Carers,

Following the decision to close schools, we are fully committed to supporting your child at this important time of their academic life.

All updates and support with home learning is provided on the academy website. This includes guidance on how to support your child with working at home and a schedule of when work is set and when it is due.

YEAR ELEVEN STUDENTS

For year eleven, it is important that our students continue to work. This work that is completed at home will be used as evidence towards their final grade. Due to the current climate, we are not releasing any grades from the mock examinations taken in March. We are seeking guidance regarding this. If you have any questions about year eleven, please contact Mrs Barker at the academy via email: su.barker@salfordcity-academy.org

The schedule for Year Eleven work is on the website and detailed below;

Day	Subject
Monday	Maths
Tuesday	Science
Wednesday	English
Thursday	French, History or Geography
Friday	Option Subjects

As you know, exams and assessments this summer have been cancelled due to the Corona Virus outbreak. It is our aim that all students at Salford City Academy receive the support students need to progress to the next stage of their career. In addition, any year ten students who were due to sit examinations this summer, will now sit the examinations in Summer 2021.

The government has announced more details of how grades will be awarded this summer.











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GCSE Qualifications

The GCSE qualifications at our academy are English, Maths, Science, French, Geography, History, Art, Photography, Design Technology, Computer Science.

- Examinations boards with national teacher representatives are going to agree a consistent approach of how grades are calculated.
- Our teachers will tell the GCSE boards the grades students would have got if they had sat their examinations. Teachers will consider, evidence such as mock examinations and non-examination assessment.
- The examination board will combine this with data such as prior attainment (Key Stage 2 Primary school results) to decide on a final calculated grade.

BTEC & Other Vocational Qualifications

The qualifications that come under this heading are; Sport, Construction, I-Media, Enterprise & Marketing (Business Studies) and Hospitality & Catering. No decision on how these qualifications will be awarded has been made yet. As soon as more detail is available, we will contact you.

For all our qualifications, I want to make it clear that Examination boards will have clear approaches to ensure that no students are disadvantaged by this process. The aim of the examination boards is to provide these calculated grades to students before the end of July. These grades will be indistinguishable from those provided in other years.

Students will be able to appeal their grades if they don't believe the right process has been followed. There will also be an option to sit examinations early in the next academic year for any students who wish to – and students can also choose to sit exams next summer.

We know this will be an unsettling time for your child, we want to assure you that we will do everything we can to provide the information you need and the actions we are taking over the coming weeks and months.

Yours sincerely

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