

People Directorate

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Dear Parent/Carer

SQA CERTIFICATION 2024

I hope you are having an enjoyable summer. Tomorrow, on **Tuesday 6th August 2024**, your child will receive their SQA certificate.

As usual, the school's senior leadership team will be in school on **Thursday 8 August** to deal with any queries or concerns about SQA awards or subject options.

Please note, option changes at this point should be due to exceptional circumstances, for example, failing to pass a course and requiring to resit that subject. It is important that we make all changes ahead of the start of the new term.

We will be operating an appointment system for option changes with times available from 9.15 am to 2.30 pm on 8 August. Please phone the school office on 01292 612338 to make an appointment.

Our Careers Adviser, Susan Wood, will be available on Thursday 8 August. If you wish an appointment please get in touch with her at susan.wood@sds.co.uk or phone the school office to make an appointment.

Alternatively, the following national helplines are available from 8am on Tuesday 8 August.

- **SQA Candidate Advice Line 0345 279 1000**
- **SDS Results Helpline 0808 100 8000**

SQA Appeals Service 2024

The appeals service has changed. The school no longer sends alternative evidence to SQA to be checked. Instead, pupils will have their SQA marked assessments reviewed by a qualified SQA marker. The school will only submit a review on behalf of pupils where the grade they receive on their SQA certificate is **lower** than their estimated grade. *For example, the school will request a review where the estimate was a Grade B but SQA have awarded a Grade C.*

It is important to note that grades can go up or stay the same or go down.

Priority Appeals

This service is largely for S6 pupils who have a conditional offer from a university, but their results haven't met the conditions. Please contact Mr Gardner, via the email link below, by Monday 19th August **if you wish to request a priority appeal on behalf of your child.**

Please email using the following link kylemail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk.

Wishing all our young people the very best of luck on Tuesday.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M Byrne".

M Byrne
Head Teacher