

Parent Council Meeting

Tuesday 27th April

Alternative Certification Model



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1. Alternative certification model
2. Assessment
3. Quality assurance
4. Sharing provisional grades
5. Pupils who are self isolating



Alternative Certification Model

*“The model is based on **demonstrated attainment** and so assessment evidence is required....Evidence should be gathered **under controlled conditions** to ensure a degree of equity.”*

5 stage process:

Stage 1: On-going until April 2021

- Teachers access subject specific guidance, assessment resources and Understanding Standards materials and webinars from SQA

Stage 2: April to May 2021

- School and local authority quality assurance continues
- During May, SQA requests, reviews and provides feedback on assessment evidence from each school

Stage 3: end May to 25 June 2021

- Schools, local authorities and SQA work through final stages of local and national quality assurance and feedback, to reach provisional results that are consistent, equitable and fair

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Stage 4: by 25 June 2021

- Schools submit quality assured provisional results to SQA
- *The SQA will not change any provisional results. They will check for any administrative errors that may occur when schools enter the data into their system.*

Stage 5: Appeals process for 2020–21

- To be advised following consultation

Assessment

- Assessment tools
- Assessment arrangements

Quality Assurance

To ensure provisional results are fair and credible, across the whole of Scotland, quality assurance processes are being consistently applied in all schools

- In Renfrewshire schools , all assessments have been validated to ensure they meet the national standard
- Moderation of pupils evidence will be carried out by all schools, with support from the local authority. This includes discussing and agreeing the marking of pupils' work across all classes and local schools.
 - Subject network meetings
 - Moderation teams
 - Assessment and moderation days, 1st and 7th June
- Alongside this SQA will also carry out quality assurance as support for teachers. For example, reviewing their assessment and marking standards. This is to ensure that when teachers conduct assessments, that national standards are applied reliably and consistently across Scotland

Provisional results

Unlike last year, all provisional results will be shared with pupils before submission to the SQA.

Finding the best way of doing this

Self -isolation

- Regular contact
- Materials on teams
- Digital school
- Additional supported study

Appeals

SQA consultation and update