NEA (Non-examined Assessment) & Coursework

Guidance for Students2023-2024



JCQ Rules



- Make sure you know the rules
- All students should read and understand the JCQ 'Information for Candidates-Non Exam Assessments' & 'Information for Candidates-Coursework'

All JCQ information and rules for exams and assessments are available on the exams page of the website fullbrook.surrey.sch.uk/exams/

- Information for Candidates Video 2023-24
- Information for Candidates-Written Exams
- Information for Candidates-Coursework
- Information for Candidates-Non Exam Assessments
- Information for Candidates-Onscreen Tests
- Information for Candidates-Privacy Notice
- Information for Candidates-Social Media
- Information for Candidates JCQ Infographic
- Unauthorised Items Poster
- Warning to Candidates Poster
- JCQ Preparing to sit your examinations



Information for candidates

Non-examination assessments

Effective from 1 September 2023



JCQ malpractice information

Fullbrook Policies

Exams page of the website

fullbrook.surrey.sch.uk/exams/



Useful Links

- Non-Examination Assessment Policy 2023-2024
- Malpractice Policy 2023-2023
- Review of Marking of Centre Assessed Marks for GCSE and GCE Non-Examination Assessments Policy 2023-2024



Deadlines

- NEA/coursework deadlines will be different for each subject
- Your subject teacher will inform you of the deadlines for your NEA/coursework
- Subject teachers will also share the NEA/coursework (JCQ) rules with you and any subject specific information





Malpractice

- Not just exams malpractice can also occur in NEA/coursework
- In simplest terms 'malpractice' is a failure to follow the rules of an examination or assessment (including during production of NEA/coursework)
- All rules contained in the JCQ Information for Candidates documents must be adhered to
- Any breech of rules may constitute malpractice, which Fullbrook must report directly to the exam board
- Where exam boards find that malpractice has occurred they may impose one or more sanction(s) upon candidates





Possible Penalties for malpractice

- Formal warning from the exam board (delivered by the Centre to the candidate)
- Loss of marks:
 - on a section/sections of an exam paper/component
 - for a whole component/paper/unit
- Disqualification from:
 - a unit/paper
 - whole qualification
 - from the exam series and all qualification within that series
- Candidate debarral from entering one or more qualification for a set period of time



Malpractice further information

Further information can be found on the exams page of the Fullbrook website and the JCQ site:

https://fullbrook.surrey.sch.uk/exams/

https://www.jcq.org.uk/

The JCQ malpractice documents https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/malpractice/

Useful links

- Fullbrook Exams Policy 2023-2024
- Fullbrook Malpractice Policy 2023-2023
- Fullbrook Non-Examination Assessment Policy 2023-2024
- JCQ Information for Candidates Documents
- JCQ Suspected Malpractice Policies and Procedures



Use of Al in Assessments



- Misuse of AI tools for exams/assessments (including NEA) constitutes malpractice
- Candidates MUST submit work for assessments which is their own independent work
- NO work should be copied, or paraphrased
- When using material that is not your own, it must be clearly identified and referenced

Examples of AI misuse include, but are not limited to...



- Copying or paraphrasing sections of Al-generated content so that the work is no longer the candidate's own
- Copying or paraphrasing whole responses of Al-generated content
- Using AI to complete parts of the assessment so that the work does not reflect the candidate's own work, analysis, evaluation or calculations
- Failing to acknowledge use of Al tools when they have been used as a source of information
- Incomplete or poor acknowledgement of AI tools
- Submitting work with intentionally incomplete or misleading references or bibliographies.

Al misuse constitutes malpractice



Referencing Al use

Where AI tools have been used as a source of information;

• a student's acknowledgement must show the name of the AI source used and should show the date the content was generated.

For example: ChatGPT 3.5 (https://openai.com/blog/chatgpt/), 25/01/2023

- the student must, retain a copy of the question(s) and computer-generated content for reference and authentication purposes, in a non-editable format (such as a screenshot) and provide a brief explanation of how it has been used.
- this must be submitted with the work so the teacher/assessor is able to review the work, the Al-generated content and how it has been used. Where this is not submitted, and the teacher/assessor suspects that the student has used Al tools, this constitutes malpractice

For further information:

https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/malpractice/artificial-intelligence/

JCQ AI poster for students

JCQ Al presentation for students

NEA marks and Reviews of centre-assessed marks



Informing students of NEA marks

- The JCQ requires that all centres inform students of their centre assessed marks, and,
- Allow candidates to request a review of the centre's marking BEFORE marks are submitted to the exam board
- If you believe there has been an error in marking this is the only opportunity for an individual review of marking for NEA/coursework



How are NEA marks issued?

- You will receive your NEA marks by email (sent to your student school email address from Fullbrook Exams Office)
- Marks in this email are the final marks that will be submitted to exam board
- You will NOT receive a grade as grade boundaries are set by the exam boards when final results are published on summer results days in August

- Normally receive a mark 'out of' e.g. 54 / 90
- Subjects where there is no 'out of' mark other formats are used, e.g. Pass / Merit / Distinction
- Once you have received your marks **no** further alterations can be made to your NEA/coursework



Your NEA marks email

- You will receive one email for every subject with NEA components
- NEA dates for subjects are different so you will receive marks emails at different times
- Each email will also contain links to the below:
 - The Fullbrook NEA review of marking policy
 - Review of marking request form
 - Mark scheme for the subject
- Your email will specify the deadline to request a review of marking

Example email

Subject line: Disney Studies: Your centre assessed marks - (NEA) Non-examined Assessment / Coursework

Dear Mickey,

Please find below your Non-examined Assessment / coursework (NEA) marks:

Student Name: Mouse, Mickey

Candidate Number: 1234

Subject: Disney Studies

Component: MM4567: Introduction to the Magic Kingdom

Centre Assessed Mark(s): 123 / 150

Deadline for written request for review of marking: 03.04.2024

Please find below links to the following documents:

- The Fullbrook NEA Review Policy
- Review of Marking Request Form
- Mark Scheme for the Subject

Students should speak to their teacher if they need help understanding their marks.

Should you wish to make a written request for a review of your centre assessed marks, please do so by completing the linked form and emailing it to exams@fullbrook.surrey.sch.uk. Payment of £25 is required at the time of making a request. No student will be penalised due to inability to pay and, should this difficulty arise, please do not hesitate to contact me using the exams email address.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs L Seddon
Exams Officer
Fullbrook - Centre Number 64918



Understanding your marks

 Speak to your teacher if you do not understand your marks or need further information

 Students who wish to request a review of centreassessed marks must make the request in writing using the form and submit the request by the deadline





What is a review of centre-assessed marks for?

- If you believe there may be an error with your marks
- Internal review to ensure that the candidate's mark is consistent with the standard set by the centre
- Reviewed by an assessor who has appropriate competence and no previous involvement in the assessment of the candidate
- Following submission of marks to exam boards, the external moderation process carried out awarding bodies may result in a mark change (upwards or downwards) even after an internal review
- Internal centre-assessed marks reviews are in place to ensure consistency of marking within the centre.
- External moderation by the exam boards ensures that centre marking is in line with national standards.
- The mark submitted to the exam board is subject to change and is considered provisional

If you have questions ...

 You can ask your subject teacher, year group teams, tutor, or the Exams Office (Mrs Seddon)



