## Dear Parent/Carer

## SQA 2022 - Update

I am writing to you with a further update regarding the SQA exam diet 2022. These exams are still due to take place - if safe to do so - in spring 2022, however as a result of the ongoing disruption to schools as a result of Covid, the SQA have now decided to move to scenario 2. This means that there will be further modifications to the exam diet on top of the modifications made last session with regards to coursework and school based assessments.

## Scenario 2 - Increased levels of disruption SQA exam diet with modifications + additional measures

We will continue to constantly monitor public health advice and levels of disruption across the country, while taking account of discussions that take place in the Covid-19 Recovery Group. If there is further significant disruption this session, appropriate additional support measures for learners will be put in place to help reduce pre-exam stress. For example, where possible in some subjects we may provide additional information to help learners focus their study on the run up to the exams. This will not be possible in all subjects due to the types of modifications which are already in place. The actual assessments will not change under this approach. If additional measures are required, they will be introduced at the end of March 2022.

For further detailed information regarding this change please follow the link below.

https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/100512.html

You can also access the updated SQA Parent Blog service for National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher learners on the link below:

## View blog post.

Our prelim diet has now concluded and in general we are happy with how they have progressed. Pupils have prepared for and approached these formative assessments in a mature and considered fashion. This has been an invaluable experience for both our pupils and invigilation team as it has given both vital practice and a first-hand experience of how the final exams will look come May. Pupils will receive feedback on these assessments as and when departments mark them and you will receive ongoing feedback through our tracking reports for S5/6 and Parents' Evening for S4 which are both due in February. Any relevant evidence from these assessments will be added to our ongoing formative assessment of pupil progress in preparation for generating our SQA Estimates.

As always we will endeavour to keep you updated with any further changes that may come our way. In the meantime if you feel there is anything your young person needs support with or further clarification on please do not hesitate to contact the school through our general school email <a href="mailto:braeshighschool@falkirk.gov.uk">braeshighschool@falkirk.gov.uk</a>

Once again, can we take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support for both your child and the school during these times.

Kind regards

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