



Access to Scripts, Reviews of Results and Appeals Procedures

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These procedures are reviewed and updated annually to ensure that Thrybergh Academy deals with candidates' requests for access to scripts, clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation and appeals to the awarding bodies in accordance with current requirements and regulations.

Reference in these procedures to GR and PRS refer to the JCQ publications **General Regulations for Approved Centres** and **Post-Results Services**.

Introduction

Following the issue of results, awarding bodies make post-results services available.

The JCQ post-results services currently available are detailed below.

Access to Scripts (ATS):

- Copies of scripts to support reviews of marking
- Copies of scripts to support teaching and learning

Reviews of Results (RoRs):

- Service 1 (Clerical re-check) - This is the only service that can be requested for objective tests (multiple choice tests)
- Service 2 (Review of marking)
- Priority Service 2 (Review of marking) - This service is only available for externally assessed components of GCE A-level specifications (an individual awarding body may also offer this priority service for other qualifications)
- Service 3 (Review of moderation) - This service is not available to an individual candidate

Appeals:

- The appeals process is available after receiving the outcome of a review of results

Purpose of the procedures

The purpose of these procedures is to confirm how Thrybergh Academy deals with candidates' requests for access to scripts, clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation and appeals to the awarding bodies in compliance with JCQ regulations (GR 5.13).

Details of these procedures are made widely available and accessible to all candidates by candidate pre-exam assembly, and information on the school website.

The arrangements for post-results services

- Candidates must be made aware of the arrangements for post-results services before they sit any examinations (GR 5.13)
- A review of moderation cannot be undertaken upon the work of an individual candidate or the work of candidates not in the original sample (PRS 4.3)
- The appeals process is available after receiving the outcome of a review of results (PRS 5.1)

At Thrybergh Academy:

- Candidates are informed of the arrangements for post-results services and the availability of senior members of centre staff immediately after the publication of results, before they sit any examinations (GR 5.13)

Candidates are informed by candidate pre-exam assembly. Candidates are also signposted to the EARs information on the school website via email before results day, and verbally on results day itself.

Full details of the post-results services, internal deadline(s) for requesting a service and the fees charged (where applicable) are provided by the exams officer. prior to the issue of results - this information can be found on the school website.

Dealing with requests

- All post-results service requests from internal candidates must be made through the centre (GR 5.13)

At Thrybergh Academy the process to request a service is by speaking to their subject teacher who will refer this to the EO. Candidates who request an EAR have the option to pay for this service at no extra cost other than the charge from the awarding body. The centre will analyse this request to ensure it is in the candidates best interest. All payments for EARs that have been requested by the candidates must be paid in full prior to processing

Candidate consent

- Candidates must provide their written consent for clerical re-checks, reviews of marking and access to scripts services offered by the awarding bodies after the publication of examination results (GR 5.13)

Thrybergh Academy will:

- Acquire written candidate consent (accepting informed consent via candidate email) in all cases before a request for a clerical re-check, a review of marking or an access to scripts service is submitted to the awarding body
- Acquire informed candidate consent to confirm the candidate understands that the final subject grade and/or mark awarded following a clerical re-check or a review of marking, and any subsequent appeal, may be lower than, higher than, or the same as the result which was originally awarded
- Only collect candidate consent after the publication of results
- Retain consent forms or e-mails from candidates for at least six months following the outcome of a clerical re-check or review of marking or any subsequent appeal (PRS 4.2)
- Retain consent/permission forms or e-mails from candidates to request and use their scripts for at least six months (PRS 6.2)

Additional centre-specific actions:

Thrybergh Academy analyses results using the mark schemes released by the awarding body. If the school identifies any students who should request an EARs they will be contacted accordingly.

Submitting requests

Thrybergh Academy will:

- Submit requests electronically for clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation and access to scripts by the published deadline(s) in accordance with the JCQ publication **Post-results services** (GR 5.13)
- Submit requests for appeals in accordance with the JCQ publication **A guide to the awarding bodies' appeals processes** (GR 5.13)
- Confirm the awarding body's acknowledgement of receipt of a review of results request prior to the deadline for submission of post-results services and regularly check the progress of the request online (PRS 4.5)

Additional centre-specific actions:

Not Applicable.

Dealing with outcomes

Thrybergh Academy will:

- (updated 2021/22) Ensure outcomes of clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation and appeals are made known to candidates as soon as possible (GR 5.13)

Candidates will be notified by email. They will receive a copy of the notification of the outcome by the awarding body.

Additional centre-specific actions:

Not Applicable.

Managing disputes

At Thrybergh Academy any dispute/disagreement will be managed in accordance with the internal appeals procedure to manage disputes when a candidate disagrees with a centre decision not to support a clerical re-check, a review of marking, a review of moderation or an appeal.

Additional centre-specific actions:

Not Applicable.