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Introduction

This policy addresses the situation where students may wish to appeal against an outcome he/she has received for a qualification.

Access

Students are made aware of the existence of this policy and have open access to it. It is a key point of discussion during induction to any GCSE, iGCSE, BTeC, ASDAN, Entry Level and Step Up qualifications and a simplified, child-friendly version will be signed and agreed with each learner (and where necessary their parent/s/carer/s) and kept in their learning files. It can be found in the school office in the relevant exams Policy File (along with the appeals policies for each of the awarding bodies used by Old Farm School). All tutors are made aware of these policies and how to access them in order that students can be supported.

This policy is reviewed annually and may be amended in response to feedback from students, staff, parents and external organisations at any appropriate time within the academic year.

Policy Statement

All students at Old Farm School have the right to make an appeal about any of the outcomes received for the qualifications they are undertaking.

If any student wishes to appeal a decision, they should follow the following procedure.

1. If possible, speak to the member of staff responsible for teaching the qualification in the first instance about the reason they wish to appeal.
2. The member of staff has a responsibility to explain to the candidate why he/she received the outcome.
3. If the student is not satisfied with the explanation, the piece of work will be re-moderated by another member of staff also involved with that qualification.
4. The student will be informed of the outcome of the re-moderation by letter.
5. If the student wants to continue the appeal, he/she needs to contact the exams officer, who will provide the student with information about the appeals procedure for the relevant awarding body and explain what is involved. The exams officer will assist with the completion of any forms and will correspond with the awarding body on behalf of the student.
6. Please note: a student must have the support of the centre to be able to appeal against a result.