



Ms Feryal Clark MP  
House of Commons  
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Dear Ms Clark,

**PQ 44059: To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what deadline his Department has set for appeals to be heard following the issuance of exam grades and assessments at the end of the 2019-20 academic year.**

The Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP has asked Ofqual to respond to you directly regarding your recent parliamentary question. A copy of this response will be placed in the House of Commons Library.

As the regulator of qualifications, examinations and assessments in England, we are working to enable students to receive qualification grades following the cancellation of this summer's exams.

Our aims are to ensure that as many students as possible can receive results this summer so they can progress to the next stages of their lives without further interruption, that their results will be as valued as those of any other year, and that the approach is fair.

We have run two consultations, seeking views on the exceptional arrangements for awarding qualifications this year – with one consultation focussing on GCSEs, AS and A levels, and the other focussing on vocational and technical qualifications. Our consultations included questions about the approach to appeals this year. We received an extremely large number of responses to the consultations, and we will publish the outcomes on our website very soon.

Yours sincerely,

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**Sally Collier**  
Chief Regulator