

# Malbank School & Sixth Form College Conducting Non-Examined Assessments Policy

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## **Conducting Non-Examined Assessments Policy**

#### 1. Purpose

This policy sets out the procedures and responsibilities for the fair, consistent, and secure administration of non-examined assessments (NEAs), including coursework, portfolios, and practical assessments, in line with awarding body regulations.

#### 2. Scope

This Policy applies to all staff, students and invigilators involved in the administration, completion and marking of NEAs in the school

#### 3. Principles

- Ensure all students have equal access to assessments.
- Maintain integrity and authenticity of student work.
- Comply with awarding body and regulatory requirements (e.g., JCQ, Ofqual, IB).
- Provide transparency and clarity for staff, students, and parents.

#### 4. Roles and Responsibilities

#### **Head of Centre / Principal**

- Overall responsibility for compliance with awarding body regulations.
- Ensures policies are communicated and reviewed annually.

#### **Exams Officer**

- Liaises with awarding bodies regarding NEA requirements.
- Maintains secure storage of assessment materials.
- Oversees deadlines and submissions.

#### **Heads of Department / Subject Leaders**

- Ensure staff are familiar with subject-specific NEA guidance.
- Organise internal moderation.
- Monitor compliance with deadlines.

#### **Teachers**

- Inform students of assessment criteria and deadlines.
- Supervise work to ensure authenticity.
- Mark work in line with awarding body standards.
- Keep accurate records of marks and feedback.

#### **Students**

- Produce work in line with the published deadlines.
- Follow school and awarding body rules on plagiarism and malpractice.
- Sign authentication forms confirming work is their own.

#### 5. Assessment Procedures

### Scheduling

- NEA deadlines will be published at the start of the academic year.
- Departments will provide students with clear timelines for drafts, submissions, and feedback.

#### **Supervision and Authentication**

- Teachers must ensure NEAs are completed under appropriate levels of supervision (as defined by awarding bodies).
- · Students must sign authentication forms.
- Any suspected malpractice will be investigated in line with the school's malpractice policy.

#### Marking and Moderation

- Teachers will mark work according to awarding body criteria.
- Internal moderation will be carried out to ensure consistency.
- Marks will be submitted by the published deadlines.

#### **Storage and Security**

- All work will be stored securely (digital or hard copy) until moderation is complete.
- Access to NEA materials will be restricted to authorised staff.

#### **Special Considerations**

- Access arrangements (e.g., extra time, word processors) will be applied in line with JCQ/Awarding body guidance.
- Students with special educational needs will be supported appropriately without compromising assessment integrity.

#### 7. Appeals and Complaints

- Students may appeal against internal marking in line with the school's internal appeals policy.
- Complaints regarding NEA administration will be addressed under the school's complaints procedure.

#### 8. Malpractice

- Examples of malpractice include plagiarism, collusion, or unauthorised assistance. Malpractice will be reported to the awarding body following JCQ/board guidelines.

## 9. Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Exams Officer and Senior Leadership Team.