



Portlethen Academy  
Bruntland Road  
Portlethen  
Aberdeen AB12 4QL  
Tel: 01224 087880  
Email: [portlethen.aca@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:portlethen.aca@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)  
[www.portlethenacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk](http://www.portlethenacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk)  
Twitter: @PortyAcad @aberdeenshire

10.07.2023

Dear parent/carer/pupil,

### **SQA Results day and Appeals Service**

Results day can be an emotional time; we hope your results reflect the work that was put in and you get what you had hoped for. Please do remember however, that if your results are not as you had hoped, there are still options available to you and there is indeed [no wrong path!](#)

#### **1. MySQA**

Pupils have been reminded continuously to sign up to MySQA. Through this account, pupils can opt to receive SQA exam results by text or email. Pupils have also been reminded to check their personal details are correct (eg home address for certificate delivery). If any personal details are still not correct, please email the school with updated information.

#### **2. SQA Results Day**

SQA results will be issued on Tuesday August 08<sup>th</sup>. For pupils who are returning to school, any queries you may have will be addressed when term starts on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August. For pupils who are relying on their results for University, College, or Employment places, and you did not get the grades you were needing, please see Section 3 below.

#### **3. SQA Appeals Service**

There are two types of Appeals – Priority and Non-Priority Appeals.

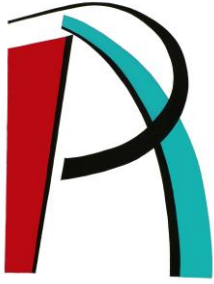
**Priority Appeals:** where an appeal of a grade is needed in order to meet the entry requirements for university or college.

You can register that you wish to make a priority appeal with SQA until Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August through Learner Direct (details in the Form link below). But if you were to miss this date, the school can submit an appeal for you until Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August (inset day for school staff).

**Priority Appeals Form:**

<https://forms.office.com/e/jtvvjYUDzW>





Portlethen Academy  
Bruntland Road  
Portlethen  
Aberdeen AB12 4QL  
Tel: 01224 087880  
Email: [portlethen.aca@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:portlethen.aca@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)  
[www.portlethenacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk](http://www.portlethenacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk)  
Twitter: @PortyAcad @aberdeenshire

**Non-priority appeals:** pupils have until Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2023 to submit a non-priority appeal. This decision should be discussed with subject teachers and Guidance staff during the first week back (please see Section 5 below). **The school will not deal with non-priority appeal enquiries prior to students' return to school on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August.** Please do not contact the school about these before this date because the school must concentrate its resources on priority appeals during the holiday period.

#### 4. Skills Development Scotland (SDS)

Results Helpline – The SDS Results Helpline will be available to offer advice and support to all candidates across Scotland, receiving results on Tuesday 08<sup>th</sup> August. The Helpline – **0808 100 8000** – will be open from 8am-8pm on the Tuesday and Wednesday and then from 9am-5pm on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> and Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August. More information at this [web link here](#).

#### 5. Tuesday August 22<sup>rd</sup> – returning pupils and course changes

For pupils returning to school that need to discuss an appeal and/or a possible course change due to exam results received, information about how and when this can be done will be shared in assemblies on the first day back.

We appreciate that the results period can be a stressful time for pupils; hopefully the information in this letter will allow our young adults and their families to deal with queries in the appropriate way. The school will, as always, respond as swiftly as we can to these queries but please be aware that the priority appeals process lies within the summer holidays for staff and only a handful of staff will be available in school at this time.

Yours sincerely

Kirsty Campbell-Robertson

Depute Headteacher & SQA Co-ordinator