

## Internal Appeal Process for Non Examinable Assessments (NEA)

The Joint Council for Qualification (JCQ) has made it a requirement for examination centres to offer an **appeal process** for Non Examinable Assessments (NEAs), otherwise known as coursework.

NEAs are submitted for many GCSE and A Level courses as part of the overall qualification mark. These are marked and moderated by Shiplake College academic staff, before a sample is sent to the awarding examination body for further scrutiny and a potential subsequent moderation of all subject coursework marks in light of any decisions made.

If a pupil has concerns over the mark awarded by Shiplake academic staff, they are entitled to appeal that mark. The pupil and parent will email the College on <a href="mailto:reception@shiplake.org.uk">reception@shiplake.org.uk</a> requesting the Internal Appeals application form, detailing the specific reasons for their concerns with specific reference to examination mark schemes, within seven days of receiving their mark. The NEA will then be reviewed by a teacher from that subject who has not had direct input into that specific NEA process; this independent teacher may be from Shiplake or from another school.

The reviewed mark will be returned to the pupil within two weeks of appeal, with reasoning provided. This reviewed mark will be the one formally submitted to the examination board; this may be higher or lower than the original mark and no further NEA reviews will be possible.

In order to cover administrative costs, there is a **non-refundable £50.00** fee for the appeal. This cost is benchmarked against the cost of a post-examination appeal and also in line with the fee stated by other HMC independent schools.

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