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# Ecole Internationale Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur International School

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Dear IGCSE candidates,

We have received the information that no International GCSE exams will take place in May/June this year due to the COVID-19 crisis. As we do not prepare our students specifically for the IGCSE exams, our teachers will not be in a position to assess and award a grade for these exams.

**We will therefore not be entering any candidates this year.**

**Exceptionally** (for the school year 2021/2022), and in order to offer the exams to as many of you who need them (and to recognize the work you have already done in preparation for these exams), we will be holding 2 sessions in 2021, one in November 2021 and one in May/June 2022.

We are waiting for confirmation of the exams offered in November and will update you as soon as we have the information.

The full range of International GCSE exams will be available in May/June 2021.

Here is the press release from Pearson Edexcel yesterday:

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/campaigns/pearson-covid-19/rest-of-world-covid-19-coronavirus-update.html> Please feel free to check the Pearson Edexcel website for future updates.

## COVID-19 (Coronavirus) update

**3 February 2021**

### Important update on international qualifications

We hope that you and your families are safe and well. Schools around the world are operating in ever-changing circumstances and we know that you want further information about International GCSE and International AS/A Level assessments in May/June 2021.

Today we have confirmed three important updates:

- We will use a robust approach based on teacher assessment for International GCSE and International AS/A Level assessment in May/June 2021 and exams will not go ahead as planned
- We will offer an additional exam series for International GCSE later this year
- The International AS/A Level October exam series will go ahead as planned.

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Our priorities throughout this pandemic have been to keep everyone safe and well and to ensure fairness so that every student receives a grade that reflects their knowledge and understanding.



In making this decision, we have spoken to many schools, teachers and students and have carefully considered a range of options. These included having exams in some countries and teacher assessment in others. Given the ongoing uncertainty, we feel that this could not be done fairly and would risk unintentionally disadvantaging individual students.

**2/2** We apologise for the inconvenience but thank you for your understanding about this situation which is beyond our control.

Kind regards,

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