

SQA Results 2017



Please find below useful information for your SQA results:

Issue	Information	Action
SQA Results	You will receive your Scottish Qualifications Certificate (SQC) by first-class mail on Tuesday 8 August .	
My SQA	The SQA provides this service to answer common questions. If pupils want to receive their exam results by email and text on Tuesday 8 August 2017 they have to activate their MySQA account at www.mysqa.org.uk by 18 July 2017 at 5pm.	Website: www.mysqa.org.uk
SQA exam certificate	SQA's Candidate Advice Line will be available from Tuesday 8 August to Friday 11 August. Pupils/parents can ring this line for advice on the content and layout of the SQA certificate.	Telephone: 0345 279 1000 E-mail: customer@sqa.org.uk Website: www.sqa.org.uk
Future Career	If pupils need advice about their future career journey such as apprenticeships or going to college or university – they should make a free call to the Skills Development Scotland (SDS) Exam Results Helpline or visit the website. For pupils returning to school, pupils can talk to their Pupil Support Teacher or the Careers' Advisor, Katrina Wilson.	Telephone: 0808 100 8000. (8am to 8pm) Website: www.myworldofwork.co.uk/examresults Pupils should see their Guidance Teacher to arrange an appointment with Katrina Wilson, the Careers' Advisor.
SQA Post-Results Service	The SQA Appeals Service no longer exists. A post-results service has been introduced for candidates when the school believes that there is a reasonable possibility that an error may have occurred. It is not sufficient for a pupil to believe their final grade should have been higher. Please be aware that requests to the SQA Post-Results Service will only be made in exceptional circumstances in the belief that there has been an error in the marking of the exam paper. For further details, please refer to SQA Frequently Answered Questions for the Post-Results Service. The new Post Results Service involves a clerical check and/or a marking review of the examination paper (no alternative evidence is sent to SQA). In particular, a clerical check and/or marking review will not be requested where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the candidate has not passed one or more of the component Units of the course. • the candidate's final award is broadly in line with the estimate previously submitted to SQA by the school • the final award is within the same Grade as that predicted by the assessment evidence held by the school (eg, achievement of band 2 is a Grade A and no request can be made to upgrade this to band 1 which is also Grade A) • the candidate's performance has shown inconsistencies during the year such that the final award falls within the range of performance evidenced Decisions about eligibility for the Post-Results Service will be taken by the Head Teacher based on advice by the relevant subject Principal Teacher in conjunction with the SQA Co-ordinator (Mrs Kay). The check/review can lead to a change of grade either up or down and parents will be required to sign a disclaimer to indicate that this is understood before the school would proceed. A request cannot be submitted if the candidate has already been through the Exceptional Circumstances Consideration Service. Referrals to this service will be bound by Falkirk Council's Post-Results Service policy which can be found on the school website.	SQA Frequently Answered Questions: http://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/files_ccc/Results_Services_FAQs_web.pdf To request the exceptional circumstance of an Post-Results referral: Email: lhssqa@falkirk.gov.uk Please provide the following details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name of pupil • Form Class • Subject and level (eg Higher Maths) • Type of request: clerical check or marking review • Reason for requesting referral Requests will be considered on 21 and 22 August 2017. Urgent requests: if a request to the Post Results Service has a bearing on a pupil entering a University course (eg UCAS conditional exam results) then please mark your email "Urgent Request" and provide one additional piece of information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University applied for (eg Glasgow) • Course applied for at University (eg Law) Requests for Priority Marking reviews must be submitted by 16 August.
Larbert High School Support	If you require additional support regarding any issue that has NOT been covered above then please contact the school via email with your enquiry. Most commonly this will be if a pupil has not received their SQA Certificate.	Email: lhssqa@falkirk.gov.uk Please state pupil name and Form Class.

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UCAS: University places and getting new courses	Pupils can track if they have been accepted for their University course on the UCAS Apply website: www.ucas.com/apply If pupils do not get the result they need for the course they applied for they can look for new courses in the CLEARING system. <i>Please see below for further information about the UCAS Clearing system.</i>	UCAS Apply website: www.ucas.com/apply The UCAS website also tells pupils all they need to know about clearing: www.ucas.com UCAS Helpline: 0871 468 0468 for expert help and advice.
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UCAS: Clearing system

How Clearing works

The idea is you identify courses (with vacancies) that interest you and contact the course providers (ie Universities) directly to see if they will offer you a place. You'll know you're in Clearing if your Track status says '**You are in Clearing**' or '**Clearing has started**'.

If your Track doesn't say either of these yet, it might just be waiting for your results to update – get in touch with the universities/colleges if it's taking a while – they might still be considering you, even if your results are a bit lower than required.

If you originally only applied for one course (for the reduced fee of £12) you'll have to pay an additional £11 to enable you to apply for multiple courses.

See what courses are available

The official vacancy list is online. Consider different subjects – you don't have to stick with your original ideas.

The online list is updated continually – you might not find the exact unis/colleges/courses you're looking for – some might be full, but some might get vacancies later on, so keep checking back.

Talk to any universities or colleges you are interested in

Give them your **Clearing number** (located on the welcome and choices pages in Track), and your Personal ID number which will let them see your application online.

Ask if they'd accept you – they might reconsider you (maybe even for the same course) even if you applied to them earlier in the year.

Get informal offers over the phone – maybe from a variety of universities and colleges – then decide which you want to accept.

Take a look around – if you have time it's the best way to see what a university/college is like – most will be happy to meet you and show you around.

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Add a Clearing course in Track

Click **Add clearing choice** and fill in the course details by the date the university/college gave you on the phone.

This counts as you definitely accepting the offer, so if they confirm it'll show as an acceptance on the choices page of Track and you will be sent a confirmation letter. Please only add a Clearing choice once you've had confirmation from the university that they're happy to consider you.

You can only add one choice at a time, but if the university/college doesn't confirm your place you'll be able to add another.