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Dear Parents / Carers

Year 10 GCSE PE Course Information

As a Physical Education department, we would like to seek your support for your son/daughter completing the AQA GCSE PE course. If you are not already aware, the practical element to the course has been adjusted due to students' ability to play, practice and be assessed in sports. Within the practical element students will now be marked in 3 different sports with each sport contributing 10% to their overall mark.

We will be marking students in a number of sports within our allocated PE lessons and extra-curricular teams and clubs. Unfortunately we do not always have the capability and facilities to take part in all of the sports available to the students on the AQA course. In order for students to be marked in a sport that we are unable to provide in school, but your son/daughter participates in outside of school, they will need to provide video evidence of their skills and abilities as well as their performance in this sport.

We are requesting that if students believe that one of their sports will be an activity that is unable to be assessed in school or that video evidence will show the student to be at a higher ability, they should begin to collate video evidence of the skills and activities needed within that sport. The deadline for submission of evidence for practical marks to the PE department is the end of the autumn term of Year 11. This will enable us to ensure the evidence is collated to a suitable standard, assessed and feedback for improvement is provided for the final submission of video evidence to the exam board in March/April 2023.

Suitable videos require demonstration of the five core skills within the given sport, as well as extended evidence of an appropriately competitive situation. Guidance can be found via the AQA GCSE PE specification on the AQA website: <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/physical-education/gcse/physical-education-8582/specification-at-a-glance>

If suitable video evidence, which fulfils the required standards, is not received, students will be automatically awarded the next highest mark from the school-based sports used for assessment over the course of Years 10 and 11. To clarify, in the case that no evidence is received, any outstanding practical marks will be submitted based on evaluation from teacher assessment. These assessments have taken place over the course of Years 10 and 11 and will be taken from sports available in a school environment.

Please click [here](#) to view the Rednock School GCSE PE Guide, which includes further details regarding the course outline. Please do contact us in the PE department if you have any further queries which we can clarify.

Yours faithfully,

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