

Cork Education and Training Board

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Dear 3rd Year Parent/Guardian

I trust this finds you and yours safe and well. As we come to the end of the first week of term, I would just like to update you on ongoing matters relating to the Junior Cycle.

You will by now be aware that the State Exams Commission in conjunction with the Department of Education and Skills notified all schools that the Junior Cycle exams will not now take place in June. Instead, they have proposed that the State Exams Commission will send exam papers to schools and students will sit the exams in September.

The proposal is that these exams would not be state certified. You will also be aware that there has been considerable discussion in the media about the possibility of staging some form of Junior Certificate/Junior Cycle assessment at the end of May. The school through Cork ETB have been in contact with the State Exams Commission and the Department of Education and Skills seeking further clarification on this possibility.

The Department of Education and Skills has informed us that negotiations are ongoing at national level with regard to this. The Department of Education and Skills has also asked that schools make no local decisions pending the outcome of these talks. As soon as I have further information on this, I will be in contact with you. In the meantime, I would urge all third year students to engage as fully as possible with their teachers and to continue with their school work as much as is possible. I am sorry that I cannot give you further clarity on this as of yet but it is essential that we make good and sound decisions in the best interests of our students.

I wish you well at this difficult time. Should you have any queries, or should we be able to support you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us on admin@sbc.ie.

Stay safe and well.

Yours faithfully

HELEN CADOGAN
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