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GCSE English Language Unit 3 (GEN31)

Further information on provision of sampling instructions to centres

As communicated in June's circular (S/IF/44/19), CCEA intends to run a pilot scheme in which GCSE English Language Unit 3 sampling information for the summer 2020 series will be provided to centres based on marks submitted. *Please note that sampling information for this unit in the January 2020 series will follow the existing procedure of sampling based on entry.*

For the summer 2020 series, a centre's sampling information for GEN31 will be visible to all registered teachers within the eCandidate Record Sheet application when the lead teacher completes mark submission after a prescribed date (see below). Users will then have the functionality to one-click print all sampled candidate's record sheets.

As mentioned in the previous circular, this pilot scheme will not shorten the amount of time teachers have to complete and submit marks for GEN31 in summer 2020. A timeline of key dates for the process is as follows:

Monday 20th January 2020 at 9am - GEN31 eCRS' made available to centres for the summer 2020 series - centres can complete and submit marks from this date, but sampling instructions will not be available;
Monday 20th April at 9am - centres that submitted marks before this date will now be able to see their sampling information. Centres submitting after this time will see their sampling instructions immediately upon submission;
Friday 1st May at 5pm - closing date for submission of eCRS for GEN31;
Wednesday 6th May from 8:30am - samples to be ready for collection from centres.

Further information on the pilot will be presented at forthcoming Agreement Trials, and made available afterwards on the E-Moderation and English Language microsites.

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