



14 December 2021

Dear parent/guardian/carer

## Year 12 Assessment

Year 12 students will undertake their first A-Level diagnostic assessment period during the week commencing **24 January 2022**. This assessment week will provide students with their first real paper sitting experience of A-Level assessment, and will be invigilated internally by our experienced examinations team. Assessments will be sat by subject 'block' and won't quite follow the JCQ assessment rules in this regard, but it will allow us the flexibility to ensure the least amount of lesson time as possible is disrupted.

We are conscious that our Year 12 students had a disrupted end to their GCSE studies and we are looking to ensure a return to normal assessment operations.

Students undertaking BTEC qualifications will be sitting component assessments (real examinations) during the window of **10 January 2022 – 21 January 2022**. Students sitting **AS Core Mathematics** will have their diagnostic assessment **after the spring half term**. Subject teachers will advise on the exact timings of these particular assessments.

We look forward to updating you with a progress report during our second Sixth Form Parents Evening, which is taking place on **Thursday 3 March 2022**. This information will also be available to you prior to this event through our SIMS Parent App.

We encourage you to review with your child our **PHS Examination Handbook** which covers a number of important 'what if' scenarios. This booklet is available on our examination information page, please use the following link: <https://poolehigh.co.uk/school-information/information/examination-information>

Yours sincerely

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