

18<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Stakeholders (Learners, Parents/Carers, Staff and Directors)

### ONE DAY PARTIAL COLLEGE CLOSURE

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May, LDE UTC will only be open in the morning for Year 10s taking their mock exams. All other year groups should be using this time to catch up with any outstanding independent learning. The reason for this partial closure is to meet the DfE and JCQ's guidance for Teacher Assessed Grades. During this day, teachers will be finalising their evidence and moderating internally so that grades can be uploaded to our Management Information System, and sent off for external moderation.

Whilst we understand that this is short notice, we have taken this necessary step in order to ensure the robust quality of our Teacher Assessed Grades in line with our policy issued in the Spring Term. In a normal year, learners would have taken their exams and the exam boards would have marked them. This year our teachers are having to mark the exams and ensure grades are uploaded the week beginning 11 June. This tight timetable, coupled with the regular teaching timetable is making this an almost impossible task and therefore we have decided to have an extra inset day this year to allow the staff time to complete this unusual and unprecedented process.

Thank you for your support



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