



11 August 2022

Dear Students, Parents and Carers

I hope you have been enjoying the summer break and catching up on some well-earned rest after the exam season. As we approach results days over the next couple of weeks, I am writing to remind you of some key information.

**Thursday 18 August – results day for A/AS levels, BTEC, Criminology & EPQ**

**Thursday 25 August – results day for GCSEs**

- Students will be able to access their results from 8am, via their [BHASVIC Student Advantage](#) account. There is a link to this on the [student dashboard](#) of the college website.
- Paper copies of results will be posted, first class, to the registered home address on results day afternoon.
- You should be aware that **Student Advantage will be temporarily unavailable on Wednesday 17 August** in order for us to upload exam results information.
- Students should therefore double-check that they can access their Student Advantage account, and that we have your correct postal address **by Tuesday 16 August**.
- If students need to reset their password, please follow the instructions provided on the Student Advantage link, above. If you are still unable to access your account, or you need to send an updated postal address, you will need to email [cis@bhasvic.ac.uk](mailto:cis@bhasvic.ac.uk) from your BHASVIC email account. Alternatively, on results day, please use the virtual help desk.

**Results Day Support and Virtual Help Desk**

- There will be lots of specialist support available, both on the day and in the coming few weeks, offering advice and guidance on careers, university applications and UCAS clearing, as well as financial and wellbeing support for all our college leavers.
- As in previous years, we will be operating a virtual help desk from 8.00am to help us to manage enquiries. Students need to [virtual help desk link](#) to log their query in the first instance.
- We have a team of advisers who will be able to respond, via telephone or Teams, or with a face-to-face appointment. All queries will be dealt with as quickly as possible, but priority on results day will be given to students who need information or support to confirm university, apprenticeship or other similar offers.
- We therefore ask that students do not come onsite unless they have been given a specific appointment with one of our advisers.
- Please be aware that teachers and tutors are still on holiday, so are not expected to check e-mails or respond; however, Heads of Faculty, Careers Advisers, Guidance Managers, and the Examinations Office are all available, via the virtual help desk, to offer help, advice and guidance throughout August.

- There are lots of sources of external support (see [padlet](#) below) and you can contact the National Careers Service Exam Results Helpline on 0800 100 900 for free advice. The helpline is open until a week after GCSE results day <https://www.gov.uk/careers-helpline-for-teenagers>.

### Other Support Ahead of Results Day

- Detailed information and updates will be posted over the next few days on our [FAQs](#) and [Exams](#) web pages. Please do keep checking these, if you have specific questions. Information on how to request copies of scripts, reviews of marking, resits, etc., will also be included in the post with your results.
- Our careers team are constantly updating BHASVIC's '[Results Day Guide](#)' padlet which contains lots of useful links, and signposts you to essential help and advice in advance of results day. Please also see further resources on our [Ex-student](#) page.
- If you are feeling a bit anxious, please be reassured that this is completely normal in the build-up to results day. Try to keep things in proportion and look at some of the tips on how to manage your stress: [Ways to stay calm and reduce anxiety the day before results day - Youth Employment UK](#).
- If you are still very concerned about your own, or someone else's, wellbeing, then you can contact primary mental health support via the schools wellbeing service, by e-mailing [SWSConsultationLine@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:SWSConsultationLine@brighton-hove.gov.uk). For further information on different wellbeing services available to young people locally, please visit <https://e-wellbeing.co.uk/>.

### Start of Term – key dates for current students

All key dates are on the [college calendar](#) and will be posted on the front page of BHASVLE for students. Enrolment for our new first years starts on Tuesday 30 August. Students starting their second year are asked to download the [BHASVICapp](#), and set this up before September, to keep up to date.

Term starts for second years on **Thursday 1 September** when students will have online lessons with A2 subject teachers, via Teams. There will also be essential enrolment and tutorial activities which students will need to complete on the day and follow-up work during the week. They will then come into college on **Wednesday 7 September** for lessons in each subject and take part in tutorial workshops linked to their progression pathway. Students need to actively participate and be available, in person and online, for tutors and teachers to help them complete further follow-up activities throughout this period. Normal onsite timetable starts on **Tuesday 13 September\***. We recommend lots of [super-curricular activities](#) for students to complete outside normal timetabled lessons, in addition to their summer work and other teacher-set activities.

***\*A2 Timetables:** please note that it takes us some time to enrol everyone and construct all timetables. This process will not be finalised until 9 September, so any A2 timetables students may have seen on the myBHASVIC app or Student Advantage before this date are entirely provisional and may be subject to change. Please do not make any arrangements, based on provisional timetables, until after 9 September.*

### Finally – please enjoy our summer newsletter

We hope you will all enjoy [the latest summer edition of our newsletter](#) which contains some really uplifting accounts of the wider college experience and our end-of-term show case events. There are lots of additional links and resources for parents/carers and ex-students too. If you are leaving college this summer, there is a reminder to keep in touch through the [BHASVIC alumni network](#). We hope that, in your time here, you have been able to develop new skills and achievements which will help you to move successfully onto your next destination.

In the meantime, we wish all our college community the very best for the remaining weeks of the summer.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alison Cousens', with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

Alison Cousens

Assistant Principal (Student Services)