



Candidate Identification Procedure

Thriftwood School & College

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Key staff involved in the procedure

Role	Name
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Senior leader(s)	Executive Headteacher - Georgina Pryke College Lead - Lisa Walker Exams Officer Line Manager - Gemma Ellis KS4 Phase Leader - Carolyn Mitchell KS5 Phase Leader - Rachael Collins
Exams officer	Kirsty Mountain
Other staff (if applicable)	Business & Enterprise Lead - Jools Butcher English & ICT Lead - Emily Wood Mathematics Lead - Rachael Collins Options Lead - Jane O'Dell Sports Lead - James Eade

This procedure is reviewed and updated annually to ensure that procedures to verify the identity of all candidates that are entered for examinations or assessments at Thriftwood School & College are managed in accordance with current requirements and regulations.

References in this procedure to GR and ICE refer to the JCQ publications **General Regulations for Approved Centres** and **Instructions for conducting examinations**.

Purpose of the procedure

The purpose of this procedure is to confirm that Thriftwood School & College:

- verifies the identity of all students that it enters for examinations or assessments (GR 5.6)
- has processes in place to be satisfied that that all candidate identities have been checked (GR 5.6)
- has written procedures in place to verify the identity of all candidates at the time of the examination or assessment (GR 5.9)

1. Process to check candidate identity

Internal candidates

The identity of students on roll at Thriftwood School & College is checked as part of the initial registration process. (GR 5.6)

The process is:

- The majority of students move up from Thriftwood School and are already known. External students are introduced via Local Authority. All students attend transitional days and are supervised by current school staff who identify them.

Private candidates

The identity of students (private candidates), not on roll at a centre but who may be accepted to take examinations, must be checked by a verification process which involves photo-ID. (GR 5.6)

At Thriftwood School & College:

- This process is not applicable as private candidates are not accepted as per centre policy

2. Procedures to verify candidate identity at the time of the examination/assessment

Invigilators are able to establish the identity of all candidates sitting examinations by following the arrangements in place to carry out adequate checks. (ICE 16.1)

The arrangements at Thriftwood School & College are:

- All invigilators are members of staff and know the candidates however if uncertain, a senior member of centre staff (approved by the head of centre, who has not taught the subject being examined) can be available at the start of the examination to assist with the identification of candidates.

The following measures are also in place:

- Private, external or transferred candidates are not accepted (ICE 16.2)
- Where it is impossible to identify a candidate due to the wearing of religious clothing, such as a veil, the candidate will be approached by a member of staff of the same gender and taken to a private room where they will be politely asked to remove the religious clothing for identification purposes (ICE 16.3)
- Invigilators will be informed of those candidates with access arrangements and made aware of the access arrangement(s) awarded (ICE 16.4)

3. Roles and responsibilities

The role of the exams office/officer

- Through training, ensure invigilators are aware of the procedures for verifying the identity of all candidates

at the time of the examination or assessment (ICE 16.1)

- Private, external or transferred candidates are not accepted (ICE 16.2)
- Inform candidates prior to their first examination that where it is impossible to identify a candidate due to the wearing of religious clothing, such as a veil, the candidate will be approached by a member of staff of the same gender and taken to a private room where they will be politely asked to remove the religious clothing for identification purposes and that once identification has been established, the candidate should replace, for example, their veil and proceed as normal to sit the examination (ICE 16.3)
- Prior to the beginning of the examination, brief invigilators on those candidates with access arrangements and make them aware of the access arrangement(s) awarded (ICE 16.4)

Additional responsibilities:

Not applicable

Changes 2023/2024

No changes applicable

Centre-specific changes

Centre-specific changes for 2023/24 resulting from the annual review in January 2024:

Upon review, the only centre-specific update or change is the name of the exams officer.