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Dear Parents/Guardians/Students

It's been a long road and a long wait but the Department will be releasing this evening the 'Calculated Grades for Leaving Certificate 2020: Guide for Schools on Providing Estimated Percentage Marks and Class Rank Orderings'. (Schools have not received this yet-contrary to media reports)

The guide has been developed to assist schools in the process of arriving at an estimated percentage mark and ranking for each of its students in this year's Leaving Certificate class. The processes of **estimation** and ranking comprise the school-based part of the system of Calculated Grades which is being offered to students this year. Once **estimated marks** and rankings have been provided by the school, these will be subject to a process of national standardisation.

The arrangements described in the document will apply in our school to:

- Established Leaving Certificate subjects
- Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme Link Modules

Circular 37/2020 has set out the process and next steps. All relevant information will be available at https://www.gov.ie/en/circular/85700c-calculated-grades-for-leaving-certificate-2020/

As they become available. However, there are still some issues to be addressed.

We will review the documentation over the next few days as it become available and arrange an online assembly to give clarity and answers to questions as soon as everything is finalised, hopefully early next week

For now,. enjoy your weekend and take care

Kind regards

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