

**REPLY BY THE PRESIDENT OF
THE COMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION, SPORT & CULTURE
TO QUESTIONS ASKED PURSUANT TO RULE 14 OF THE RULES OF
PROCEDURE BY DEPUTY HEIDI SOULSBY**

Question 1:

In response to Rule 14 questions, the Committee has explained that the GCSE results have yet to be validated following the completion of the formal appeals process. What is the overall percentage of results in mathematics that have been successfully appealed since 2019?

Response 1:

There are a number of reasons why grades can change. Some changes are as a result of appeals, others because of clerical errors or a review of marking for other reasons. All grade changes have been included here.

Although information has been requested for the years 2019 to 2023, it should be noted that no public examinations took place in 2020 or 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and re-marks in the usual sense were not part of the picture in those years. For this reason, the years 2020 and 2021 are not included here.

For the years 2019, 2022 and 2023, in total 1.2% of the GCSE maths grades that were awarded across the four high schools in Guernsey and St Anne's in Alderney were changed after the provisional grades were released in August of those years.

Question 2:

The Committee has advised, in response to the same Rule 14 questions, that the proportion of students who achieved Level 4 and above in mathematics GCSE was 57.7% and at Level 7 and above was 10.8%. Accepting that these results are as yet unvalidated, what was the percentage attained at each of the States-maintained secondary schools?

Response 2:

It should be noted that the following results are from the summer of 2023, and therefore relate to the last year group of students selected via the 11+ process.

The final validated results were as follows:

School	GCSE Maths at grade 7+	GCSE Maths at grade 4+
La Mare de Carteret High	2.0%	40.4%
Les Beaucamps High	4.8%	51.4%
Les Varendes High	45.6%	100.0%
St Anne's	0.0%	50.0%
St Sampson's High	2.3%	53.1%
All	10.9%	58.4%

Question 3:

How many specialist mathematics teachers are there currently in each of the States-maintained secondary schools?

Response 3:

For the avoidance of doubt, a person is considered to be a 'specialist' in this context if they completed their teacher training in maths or have since converted to teaching maths with appropriate support and training.

At Les Beaucamps High, there are 4 maths specialists;

at la Mare de Carteret High there are 7;

at St Anne's there is 1;

at St Sampson's High there are 5; and

at Les Varendes there are 7.