



**Pool Hayes
Academy**

PHA CAGs Special Circumstances Statement

All students at Pool Hayes Academy in Years 11 and 13 were given access to a range of assessments reflecting the content of their courses that was covered, and was in line with JCQ and Ofqual guidance.

There are some students for whom special circumstances must be taken into account. These fall into two broad categories;

1. Additional SEND needs of students with pre-identified access requirements
2. Additional circumstances such as illness, self-isolation, or national lockdowns, which impact upon a child's attendance

Additional SEND Needs

Student's access arrangements here mean that some of our students are entitled to a range of the following support in assessments;

- Coloured paper for writing and exam papers
- Up to 25% extra time
- Reader
- Scribe
- Word Processor
- Separate Invigilation
- Prompter
- Practical Assistant (for written papers only)
- Transcript

Where a student was eligible for any of the above, they had access to these arrangements for the duration of all assessment opportunities used to gather evidence for their CAGs.

Additional Circumstances Impacting Upon Attendance

We recognise that there are occasions when a child's attendance has impacted upon their ability to sit the full range of exams. Where this has been for unavoidable issues (such as a national lockdown or 'NHS Track and Trace' directed self-isolation periods) we have not allowed this to impact upon a student's ability to achieve their potential CAG. We will compile a portfolio of evidence which is representative of their ability to sit assessments due to attendance.