**NATIONAL 5 COURSEWORK**

**ENHANCED ESTIMATION MODEL**

**Status of March National 5 coursework received to date as at COB 20 March:**

| March Coursework |
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| | Expected | Received | Agreed Extension | Outstanding |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Candidates** | 125,962 | 115,650 | 4,200 | 6112 |

**PLEASE NOTE: FURTHER COURSEWORK FOR NAT 5 IS NOT DUE UNTIL 23 APRIL.**

**The materials due on 23 April include:**

| National 5 Coursework - Uplift 23/04 | Entries | Candidates Ext | No of Centres |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Art and Design** | 10,284 | 50 | 4 |
| **Care** | 539 | 0 | 0 |
| **Design and Manufacture** | 4,780 | 24 | 3 |
| **Fashion and Textile Technology** | 432 | 0 | 0 |
| **Practical Cake Craft** | 1,356 | 0 | 0 |
| **Practical Cookery** | 5,694 | 0 | 0 |
| **Music** | 7,865 | 45 | 2 |
| **Physical Education** | 17,538 | 127 | 4 |

This means that between March and April uplifts, SQA is expecting 176k coursework entries at Nat 5, and as 20 March, 50k has still to be received.

**Assumptions on marking National 5 coursework:**

- Markers remain willing to mark National 5. This includes sufficient resource and reserves to fill vacancies up to the day of marker training
- Higher and Advanced Higher markers willing to assist with marking for Nat 5
- We have an agreed set of tools to standardise marking of the coursework before the start of marking.

- Courier service is not impacted by the virus
- Emarking and their sub-contracted supplier is not impact by the virus
- Ports and airports remain open for delivery and return of scripts

**Risks**

- Marker withdrawals – 13.
- Change of Script Delivery address – 33. These are due for delivery to markers from Tuesday 24 March and all have been actioned (Risk is loss of materials)
- Spread of the virus to staff and appointees via the scripts impacting on completion of marking, increasing loss or non-return of materials and reconciliation issues. **This is a significant risk**
- Planned arrangements for number of teams who need to mark centrally, for example Art & Design, need to need to be revised and no solution has as yet been identified.
- Emarking supplier's scanning house becomes contaminated and this results in further delays to marking
- There is currently no technical solution (tool) to support standardisation. This will have a significant impact on marking

**Higher and Advanced Higher**

To give you a sense of the scale of what is currently outstanding at Higher and Adv Higher re coursework.

Higher – 170452 for coursework only

Advanced Higher – 19850 for coursework only

Art & Design Advanced Higher (Design) – 605

Art & Design Advanced Higher (Expressive) – 978

A significant volume of Higher and Advanced Higher Coursework is uplifted on 23 April. The last uplift date is on 28 May for Advanced Higher Art & Design.

**Estimates:**

As at 23 March, there is a significant volume outstanding:

| Row Labels | Count of scn | Count of est |
|---|---|---|
| 75 | 364772 | 17599 |
| 76 | 208965 | 10177 |
| 77 | 25831 | 1436 |
| **Grand Total** | **599568** | **29212** |

Recommendation.

We should delay sending scripts to markers until we have confirmed the available marking resource and negotiate a later date to send materials to markers with our courier service.

We should consider if it may be more appropriate to retain National 5 materials on site for the purposes of appeals, given the amount of outstanding evidence and the fluid pace at which the situation progressing.