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Dear students, parents and carers,

### **Update from the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority**

I write to advise that the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) has completed the marking and analysis of the 2024 VCE examinations.

The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre has considered the examination results data provided by the VCAA and approved the progression to calculation of ATARs. VCE results and ATARs will be available as planned on Thursday 12 December.

In the course of the marking process, the VCAA became aware that a further 9 examination replica covers included examination material that could be viewed using specialised software, bringing the total number of examinations impacted to 65.

The analysis conducted by the Expert Advisory Panel has concluded that 25 of the 65 examinations either had sufficient changes made to them or the published material was such that no advantage could be obtained from it.

The panel's analysis of the remaining 40 examinations identified 69 students with anomalous results across 5 exams, out of more than 304,000 total examinations.

None of these students were clustered by school or any other relationship that could be determined, suggesting that there was no co-ordinated behaviour to access examination material.

To avoid any consequent disadvantage for other students, the Panel recommended that those 69 students were removed from the standard study score calculation, including the distribution of study scores.

The scores of the 69 students were then inserted into the overall distribution at a matched point, after the study scores had been distributed.

In no cases have students had marks deducted from their examination results.

The VCAA again acknowledges and apologises for the stress and concern that this process has caused to the students and educators impacted.

Additional information, including the list of impacted exams and Q&As, is available at:  
[www.vcaa.vic.edu.au](http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au)

Yours sincerely



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