

We understand that parents and carers may be anxious about the impact public health guidance may have on whether learners should attend exams if they feel unwell, and we know that many will look to you for advice. To that end we encourage you to use the following information with your networks:

The exams taking place over the next six weeks are a chance for all learners to demonstrate their hard work, skills and knowledge.

Please continue to follow public health guidance, including during the exam period.

The Scottish Government's [current public health guidance](#) remains in place up to and including 30 April. This asks individuals to self-isolate if they are experiencing symptoms of COVID and to book a PCR test.

However, as per the Test and Protect Transition Plan published on 15 March 2022, public health guidance is set to change in Scotland from 1 May.

As set out on the Public Health Scotland website, this new guidance will be published on [NHS Inform](#) on 1 May and will broadly align with the [current UKHSA 'Stay at Home' advice](#) that asks children and young people to stay at home if they have a high temperature **and** feel unwell.

It is really important that you speak to the school/college if you cannot attend the exam for any reason so that you get the advice and support you need on next steps.

More information can be found in '[Your Exams 2022](#)' on the SQA website.

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