St Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls

A CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY CO-ED SIXTH FORM



EXAMINATIONS EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

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ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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At St Martin's we are a family community built from Christian values. We believe, most importantly, that we belong to something much greater than ourselves – Christ is at the centre of our Church of England school community. In all that we do, we seek to show God's care for our students. We live, love and learn together. Students of all faiths and none are welcomed into our school family. We value, respect and celebrate all faiths and cultures because we are inspired by a welcoming, inclusive and loving God, seen in Jesus Christ and lived out through the Holy Spirit, alive in every person.

Our vision

A high achieving Christian Girls' School with a thriving mixed Sixth Form where excellence is exemplified and encouraged, ensuring an enriching educational experience where our students appreciate that learning is not a matter for school but for life and productive citizenship.

Our Mission

Inspired by our motto "Caritate et Disciplina" Our mission is to create a safe, caring, happy and inclusive community underpinned by our Christian values. We want our students to shine and grow together in faith and knowledge, developing their unique gifts and talents both in the classroom and in the wider life of the school and beyond.

We believe that reverence for God, respect for self, others and the environment is essential in today's society and we therefore dedicate our effort towards fostering these virtues. During their time at St Martin's, they will be empowered to fulfil their learning potential because they are **Hopeful**, **Enquiring**, **Respectful**, **Organised**, **Independent and Collaborative**. Our students will fulfil their academic potential, but more than this, they will develop the skills, competencies and personal qualities and characteristics that will help them to be successful in the future in whatever route they choose to take.

'Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, and sound speech.' Titus 2: 7-8

St Martin's School Prayer

Dear God,

We thank you for your love and your promise to be with us.

At school or work, at rest or play, help us to feel near to you and hear your voice.

Guide each one of us to be like St Martin by always showing respect, encouraging one another and serving our community.

Help me to be aware of my talents, be independent, enquiring and hopeful for the future.

Amen

Inspired by St Martin's Original School Prayer

Emergency Evacuation Procedure Examinations

In the event of an emergency evacuation of an exams room for events such as:

- → Fire/Fire alarm
- → Bomb alert
- → Any other emergency which requires an evacuation of an exams room

Invigilators at St Martin-In-The-Fields High School have been informed that they must take the following action (in accordance with JCQ Instructions for conducting examinations (ICE) regulation 2021-2022: Emergencies):

- 1. Stop the candidates from writing.
- 2. Collect the attendance register (in order to ensure all candidates are present).
- 3. Evacuate the examination room in line with the instructions given by the appropriate authority.

In the event of a fire alarm at St Martin-In-The-Fields High School during exams the instruction is: Invigilators should await instructions from the H&S Officer/Exams Officers or Members of SLT whether the exam room should be evacuated.

- 4. Advise candidates to leave all question papers and scripts in the examination room.
 - → If there are only a few candidates, consider the possibility of taking the candidates (with question papers and scripts) to another place to finish the examination.
- 5. Inform candidates they must leave the room in silence.
- 6. Supervise candidates as closely as possible while they are out of the examination room to make sure there is no discussion about the examination.
- 7. When instructed, supervise the return of candidates to the exam room.
- 8. Make a note of the time of the interruption and how long it lasted.
- 9. Allow the candidates the full working time set for the examination.
- 10. Make notes of the incident to enable the exams officer to produce a full report of the incident and of the action taken to be forwarded to the relevant awarding body.

In addition to the actions required by JCQ ICE regulation above, invigilators are also informed of the following centre-specific actions or information:

- 1. The exam room must be evacuated by the nearest fire exit
- 2. Candidates must be escorted to the assembly point on the school field
- 3. On returning to the exam room allow candidates time to settle down, reminding them they are still under exam conditions
- 4. Restart the exam and allow candidates the full working time set for the examination
- 5. Make relevant changes to the displayed finish time
- 6. All information regarding the evacuation must be recorded on the exam room incident log

Advice will be sought from the relevant awarding body as soon as it is safe to do so.

Where candidates are unable to return to the building to complete the examination the awarding bodies will be contacted immediately for advice. The awarding bodies have procedures in place to ensure that candidates are not disadvantaged where they are unable to complete the examination due to circumstances beyond their control.

In the event of a bomb alert

The Head of Centre, and relevant local or national agencies, will advise on how to proceed in accordance with the following guidance: Please refer to all related links on the site.

https://www.gov.uk//publications/bomb-threats-guidance/procedures-for-handling-bomb-threats