## **Dear Parents**

The unparalleled pandemic has significantly impacted the education system and its method of operation. This, in turn, has necessitated deliberations over alternative ways to look at the learning objectives as well as the conduct of the Board Examinations for the academic session 2021-22 in case the situation remains unfeasible. In the above backdrop and in line with the Board's continued focus on assessing stipulated learning outcomes, the following schemes are introduced for the Academic Session for Class X and Class XII 2021-22.

Parents and students are requested to go through the following points carefully:

- **1.** The syllabus for the Academic session 2021-22 will be divided into 2 terms and the Board will conduct examinations at the end of each term on the basis of the bifurcated syllabus. This is done to increase the probability of having a Board conducted classes X and XII examinations at the end of the academic session.
- **2.** The syllabus for the Board examination 2021-22 will be rationalized similar to that of the last academic session as notified in July 2021.
- **3.** The Internal Assessment/ Practical/ Project work will play a prominent role in the final result.
- **4.** Classes IX-X internal Assessment will be carried out throughout the year; irrespective of Term I and II and would include the 3 periodic tests, student enrichment, portfolio and practical work/ speaking listening activities/ project.
- **5.** Classes XI-XII internal Assessment will also be conducted throughout the year irrespective of Term I and II and would include end of topic or unit tests/ exploratory activities/ practical/ projects.
- **6.** Schools will be uploading marks of Internal Assessment on the CBSE IT platform.

## 7. TERM I EXAMINATION

- a) At the end of the first term, the Board will organize Term I Examination in a flexible schedule to be conducted between November-December 2021.
- b) The Question Paper will have Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) including case-based MCQs and MCQs on assertion-reasoning type.
- c) Duration of test will be 90 minutes and it will cover only the rationalized syllabus of Term I only (i.e. approx. 50% of the entire syllabus).
- d) Question Papers will be sent by the CBSE to schools.
- e) The exams will be conducted under the supervision of the External Center Superintendents and Observers appointed by CBSE.
- f) The responses of students will be captured on OMR sheets which, after scanning may be directly uploaded at CBSE portal or alternatively may be evaluated and marks obtained will be uploaded by the school on the very same day.
- g) Marks of the Term I Examination will contribute to the final overall score of students.

## 8. Term II Examination/ Year-end Examination:

- a) At the end of the second term, the Board would organize Term II or Yearend Examination based on the rationalized syllabus of Term II only (i.e. approximately 50% of the entire syllabus).
- b) This examination would be held around March-April 2022 at the examination centres fixed by the Board.
- c) The paper will be of 2 hours duration and have questions of different formats (case-based/ situation based, open ended- short answer/ long answer type).
- d) In case the situation is not conducive for normal descriptive examination a 90 minute MCQ based exam will be conducted at the end of the Term II also.
- e) Marks of the Term II Examination would contribute to the final overall score.

## 9. Assessment / Examination as per different situations:

- A) In case the situation of the pandemic improves and students are able to come to schools or centres for taking the exams. Board would conduct Term I and Term II examinations at schools/centres and the theory marks will be distributed equally between the two exams.
- B) In case the situation of the pandemic forces complete closure of schools during November-December 2021, but Term II exams are held at schools or centres. Term I MCQ based examination would be done by students online/offline from home in this case, the weightage of this exam for the final score would be reduced, and weightage of Term II exams will be increased for declaration of final result.
- C) In case the situation of the pandemic forces complete closure of schools during March-April 2022, but Term I exams are held at schools or centres. Results would be based on the performance of students on Term I MCQ based examination and internal assessments. The weightage of marks of Term I examination conducted by the Board will be increased to provide year end results of candidates.
- D) In case the situation of the pandemic forces complete closure of schools and Board conducted Term I and II exams are taken by the candidates from home in the session 2021-22. Results would be computed on the basis of the Internal Assessment/Practical/Project Work and Theory marks of Term-I and II exams taken by the candidate from home in Class X / XII subject to the moderation or other measures to ensure validity and reliability of the assessment.

In all the above cases, data analysis of marks of students will be undertaken to ensure the integrity of internal assessments and home based exams.

Taking the above modifications into consideration, the school advises the parents to be more aware and cautious about the studies of their children. Following the guidelines of the state government, the school is commencing the offline classes from Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2021. The online classes for classes IX, X, XI, XII will be stopped from 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2021. Hence the parents must ensure that their wards must come to school regularly. Parents must send a letter of consent duly signed by them along with a Covid Negative Rapid Antigen Test Report. Fee dues must be cleared before reporting to the school.

Regards

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**PRINCIPAL**