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Subject: RE: SSTA and exams
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Hi [REDACTED]
The eligibility criteria for markers has not changed.

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Sent: 10 February 2023 08:12
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Hello

Could you please give me an answer to this...

Finally is it correct that the eligibility criteria for markers has changed this year – I'm hearing that only current teachers are allowed to mark but previously retired teachers could. Could you make clear for me what the criteria used to be and what has changed this year?

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Hi [REDACTED]

This isn't a quote but for your information – the industrial action is a matter between teaching unions, COSLA and the Scottish Government. As the Scottish Government has made clear, appropriate contingency planning is underway and SQA is playing its part in that work.

Thanks

From: [REDACTED]@tes.com>
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Importance: High

Hello

Following up on The Herald story from this morning about the potential for the pay dispute to disrupt the exams, I've been speaking to SSTA general secretary [REDACTED] myself and he is calling on the SQA to put pressure on councils and the government to resolve the pay dispute, saying unions could be forced to target the qualifications next.

He said strike action wasn't working and teachers could be asked not to mark for the SQA this year

I'm just looking for an SQA response to this?

Also what contingency planning is the SQA doing in light of the fact that the unions are saying they could target the qualifications?

Finally is it correct that the eligibility criteria for markers has changed this year – I'm hearing that only current teachers are allowed to mark but previously retired teachers could. Could you make clear for me what the criteria used to be and what has changed this year?

Just looking for this asap

Thanks, [REDACTED]



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