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To all 3i students and their parents

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## **The May 2020 IB Diploma exams for 3i students have been cancelled by the IBO**

Sunday afternoon, we received an e-mail from the Director General of IBO, Siva Kumari, stating that Monday 23 March 2020, at 09:00 Danish time, the IBO would announce that the May 2020 exams are cancelled. This announcement has now been made public on the [ibo.org](http://ibo.org) website.

The IBO writes:

*"May 2020 examinations will no longer be held.*

*Our students, their well-being and their progression in future stages of life have been at the forefront of our thinking as we respond to this extraordinary pandemic.*

*As an organization, it is critical for us to ensure that the options we provide our global community of IB World schools are based on compassion for our students and teachers and, fairness for the difficult circumstances our students and educators are experiencing. We are grateful for your patience and consideration. As a result, the IB with considerable advisement from stakeholders across the globe including schools, students, universities and official bodies has determined the most responsible and ethical way forward.*

*The IB will be taking the following actions for the 2020 May Examination session:*

- *The May 2020 examinations as scheduled between 30 April and 22 May for Diploma Programme and Career-related Programme candidates will no longer be held.*
- *Depending on what they registered for, the student will be awarded a Diploma or a Course Certificate which reflects their standard of work. This is based on student's coursework and the established assessment expertise, rigor and quality control already built into the programmes.*

*Full detail and FAQs will be sent to schools by 27 March 2020 (CET).*

*We know that schools and May 2020 students will have many questions and we will continue to be available to answer questions. Our goal continues to be to find ways to support our global community during these uncertain times and provide the best possible outcomes for our students."*

*(Source: [ibo.org](http://ibo.org), accessed 23 March 2020, at 07:50)*

You and your parents will likely have many questions regarding how your final grades will be decided, but we need you to understand, that we have not been given any further details, and we are also awaiting the sharing of "full details and FAQs" on 27 March 2020 by IBO.

Until we have this information, it is not useful to speculate about how final grades will be awarded, or what universities will do.

Since we do not know what IBO will announce Friday 27 March 2020, we would like to state clearly, that any 3i students leaving the boarding school or Denmark to go back to their home country do so at their own risk. All students should continue studying until we know the full details on Friday, and so until further directions are given by us, teaching and all other activities in 3i continue.

One thing is already clear though: We urgently need to complete any outstanding IA work, including Orals and TOK presentations. Consequently, we ask you and your teachers to work together to complete these exam components. Those of you who are being called in for such activities in the coming two weeks must attend, and Ulrik will make a plan for any other missing activities tomorrow, Monday 23 March 2020.

Yesterday, Ulrik instructed the 3i teachers, that any questions from students/parents regarding the above and future communication from IBO, or about grades, should be directed to Ulrik by e-mail (un@nyborg-gym.dk), and not to the teachers.

For those boarders, who have already left the boarding school, we have to state clearly, that they will not be allowed to come back to the boarding school, as long as the boarding school is in lock-down.

Ulrik is, of course, available for answering any questions you might have in the coming days.

Yours sincerely,



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