



Statement Regarding GCSE Results 2025

Background and Department for Education Decision

Islamiyah Girls' High School is providing clarity regarding the publication of its 2025 GCSE (Key Stage 4) performance data.

Following a detailed review by the Department for Education (DfE), involving three senior leads responsible for performance measures data production, statistical publications and school accountability policy, the DfE has confirmed that the GCSE data originally published for the school does not accurately reflect pupils' outcomes.

The DfE has formally stated that:

“Whilst it is not possible to correct the data, an exception has been agreed to suppress the published KS4 performance measures to avoid the continued public display of inaccurate information.” (DfE confirmation – January 2026)

Because national systems do not allow retrospective correction at this stage, the DfE has confirmed that suppression is the only mechanism available to prevent inaccurate data being publicly displayed.

What “Suppressed” Means

In this context, suppressed means that the school’s GCSE performance figures will not be shown on national league tables or performance websites. Instead, the data will appear as “SUPP”.

This decision has been taken because the DfE has confirmed that its systems do not allow the data to be accurately updated or corrected at this stage. Suppression has therefore been applied to ensure that inaccurate or misleading information is not displayed publicly.

Importantly, suppression does not indicate weak performance or concerns about standards. It reflects a decision to remove data that does not fairly represent the pupils educated by the school.

The suppression will apply to:

- the Compare School and College Performance website
- national GCSE statistical releases
- both revised and final 2024/25 KS4 publications (January 2026 and April 2026)

Our Actual GCSE Outcomes 2025

We are thrilled to share our verified GCSE results for August 2025. These outcomes represent the strongest results the school has achieved in recent years and reflect the exceptional effort and achievement of our pupils.

- 100% achieved grade 4+ in English
- 94% achieved grade 4+ in Mathematics
- 94% achieved grade 4+ in English and Mathematics combined
- 90% achieved grade 4+ in five subjects including English and Mathematics
- 65% achieved grade 5+ in five subjects including English and Mathematics
- Attainment 8 score: 58.5
- Average grade per pupil: 5.8

For a full breakdown of subject-level GCSE results, please visit the GCSE Results section of our website.

These outcomes place Islamiyah Girls' High School well above local and national averages on key GCSE measures.

Local Context and Comparative Performance

Based on a comparison with the published 2025 GCSE league table for Blackburn with Darwen, and using the school's validated internal GCSE results from August 2025, Islamiyah Girls' High School's outcomes would have placed the school third overall locally had the data been accurately calculated and published. This comparison is shared for transparency and context only.

Reassurance and Commitment

The school has worked closely with the Department for Education throughout this process. All arrangements relating to statutory returns, system access and communications have now been fully reviewed and strengthened.

We remain committed to transparency, accuracy and the highest standards of education, and we thank parents and the wider community for their continued trust and support.

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