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CONFIRMATION OF YOUR 2024/25 OUTSTANDING PEARSON LEARNER AWARDS

Every year we recognise and celebrate Pearson Edexcel learners around the world who have demonstrated academic excellence at the very highest levels in their exam performance. Our Outstanding Pearson Learner Awards (OPLAs) are presented to those learners in each exam series who have achieved the highest subject mark in their country, in the region, and around the world.

I therefore have great pleasure in announcing the learners from your school who will receive **2025 Outstanding Pearson Learner Awards** for their outstanding results achieved in the 2024/2025 examination series. Your learner(s) is among over **2100 learners** from **740 schools** from **85 countries** globally who are eligible to receive the award out of thousands of candidates who sat a Pearson Edexcel exam in 2024/25.

A summary of the Outstanding Pearson Learner Awards criteria is listed in Appendix 1. These criteria will also be published on our website at pearson.com/international-schools/OPLAs. The list of award recipients from your institution is listed in Appendix 2.

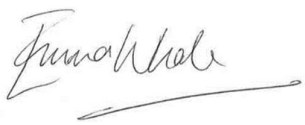
To mark this incredible achievement, each of your winning students will receive an Outstanding Pearson Learner Awards certificate from Pearson in recognition of their academic excellence.

Your Pearson account manager will be in touch regarding the delivery and presentation of these certificates to your school.

Congratulations to you and your school for all the hard work and dedication in supporting your learners to deliver such impressive results. We look forward to celebrating these achievements with you and your learners over the coming years.

If you have any questions, please reach out to **Effie Stathopoulou, Regional Development Manager,** via email **effie.stathopoulou@pearson.com**

Yours sincerely,



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APPENDIX 1

Criteria for Outstanding Pearson Learner Awards Recipients

The Outstanding Pearson Learner Awards are a set of awards that recognise top-performing international students worldwide who achieved the highest mark for all levels of Pearson Edexcel qualifications; iPrimary, iLowerSecondary, GCSE, International GCSE, A Levels, International AS/A Levels.

There are three levels of Outstanding Pearson Learner Award per subject, open for awarding to all Pearson Edexcel learners who sat for any Pearson qualifications at an international approved centre during an exam series. These award levels are:

- **The Highest Mark in the World**
- **The Highest Mark in the Region**
- **The Highest Mark in the Country**

OPLA Awards are awarded to achievers who receive the highest mark and highest grade only in their exams. For a subject achiever who achieve the highest mark in the cohort but not the highest grade, it will not be included for OPLA

- Grade A* for International A Levels and UK GCE A Levels
- Grade A for International AS Levels and UK GCE AS Levels
- Grade 9 for International GCSE and UK GCSE
- Grade S4 for iLowerSecondary
- Grade P3 for iPrimary

This award refers to the learner who has gained the highest standard mark in the country, region or world for a single subject. There may be other learners in the world, or even in the same country, who scored exactly the same mark; since their achievement is equal, they will receive equal recognition and will also be awarded the Highest Mark in the World/Region/Country award for that subject.

Learners will be awarded the highest category award. For example, if a learner has the Highest Mark in the World he/she will not receive the Highest Mark in Region or Country award.

We set minimum entry thresholds for each qualification suite (excluding UK entries) to ensure that OPLA-winning learners are selected from a sufficiently representative group of learners taking the same exam where relevant. If the number of entries for a particular subject within an exam series does not meet the minimum threshold for entries in a given series, OPLAs will not be awarded for that subject.

OPLA recipients are determined based on learner's examination results for each exam series and individual award winners are derived electronically using Pearson's Qualifications Database Management (QDM) system.

The results are tabulated at the end of reviews of marking and moderation dateline. Any revision to learner results after the deadline may not be included for the awards. We make every effort to ensure the integrity and validity of this OPLA awarding data. Results data is accurate at the time of generation **(10th October 2025)**.