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Dear Parent / Carer

GCSE Spanish Tier decision

The results achieved by students in the recent Year 10 Examinations were used to help determine the most suitable Spanish pathway – either 'Higher' or 'Foundation' tier.

This decision is based on objective examination performance data and the professional judgement of students' teachers. Both the tier and setting decisions have been made to ensure the best possible outcome for each individual student. Given the size of the cohort of students, it is simply not practicable to discuss individual tier allocation decisions and the setting decisions outlined in the report with Parents/Carers. Please note that this letter is for information only; the decision at this stage is not a matter of optionality or preference – it is a School decision made at this point in the two-year GCSE course to ensure that students' programme of Spanish lessons is best-suited to their ability and performance.

For this course of action to be implemented it may be necessary for students to move Spanish set for the remainder of the GCSE course. Any amendments to setting will come into effect on **Monday 19 February** and new timetables will be available for students to view on *Satchel:One* from the morning of Monday 19 February. Please be aware that you may need to close the app and re-open it for it to refresh and display the new timetable.

Should you have any concerns or require further clarification on any issues arising from the report, please email academic@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

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