**SMST Analysis 2021**

Schools may already be aware of the National Consortium of Examination Results (NCER), which includes all LAs in England. We have worked with NCER for a number of years to enable us to share “emerging national results” in July for primary assessments and in August for GCSEs.

Through NCER we can collect 2021 assessment data from schools on a non-statutory and voluntary basis. We offered a similar service for 2020 assessments which was welcomed by schools, so we intend to do the same for 2021. We believe that schools may appreciate some analysis of pupil outcomes to support their own understanding of current attainment and progress within their school.

It is important to note that, in line with current DfE guidance, collection and analysis of 2021 data would be for the purpose of supporting schools in their self-evaluation, and it would not be used for accountability purposes. We also know that the information we will be able to collect will be limited, and will therefore mean that some of our usual analysis is either not possible or not appropriate.

***2021 assessments remain non-statutory, and participation in the collection and analysis will be voluntary.***

What we can collect and analyse through NCER

NCER software allows us to collect and analyse end of year assessment data for 2021 EYFS, Phonics, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. We are planning to collect EYFS, KS1 and KS2 from schools who wish to receive analysis. For secondary schools NCER will use Key Stage 4 assessment data (GCSE)

Primary assessments will require us to collect the pupil level data direct from schools, via simple spreadsheets. At KS4 NCER will be able to use the exam results files sent to schools by examination organisations for most qualifications, and we will ask secondary schools to share these files with us rather than asking them to spend time putting the information into a different format. The only exception is some of the Btec and other vocational qualifications, which will need to be collected separately. We will be sending out further information about how/when to submit your data after Easter.

For primary schools we plan to allow schools to submit their pupil outcomes up until 14th July. This should allow us to provide some initial headline information in advance of the end of the summer term, with further analysis available from September as usual.

For secondary schools, data will be collected after results day in August.

What we will provide

With changes to the use of the data and also to the data available (TA only and no externally marked tests at KS2 etc) the analysis you get may look a bit different to previous years – where possible we will provide similar data to 2019, but some packs may need to be modified or temporarily replaced with templates developed for 2020 analysis.

We aim to provide analysis that will show a school their own outcomes against their previous results/trends and against LA averages (split by selective/non-selective schools as appropriate for secondary schools). We will also include proxy national figures calculated by NCER by combining data from all participating LAs in a similar way to the usual “emerging national” figures.

We will not

* Moderate results in any way – results will be used as submitted by schools
* Provide individual school level benchmarking for 2021, as we have previously done in our School Performance Analysis (SPA) and School Indicators systems – each school will only be able to see their own data and national/LA/group averages.
* Share any data or analysis with DfE/Ofsted
* Make copies of any of the analysis available to governors via SchoolsWeb
* Automatically share analysis packs with other teams within the council – analysis will be provided for internal school use, and it will be up to schools if they want to share the analysis more widely

Impact on annual buyback costs

Most of the current attainment and progress analysis from the team is provided as part of an annual buyback package, alongside analysis of other data (e.g. context, income and expenditure) and support for schools. We know that we will not be able to provide the full range of attainment/progress analysis this year, although we will provide as much as we can based on data that schools choose to share with us. We have therefore decided to provide our 2021 package at a discounted rate, in line with 2020 prices which were also discounted. Details have already been circulated through the commercial services team, but the table below shows the confirmed prices.

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| **School Type** | **Charging basis** | **Charges for 2019-20 academic year (including analysis of 2019 results)** | **Discounted charges for 2020 and 2021 results analysis** |
| Infant Schools | per student | £1.01 | £0.60 |
| Junior Schools | per student | £0.78 | £0.50 |
| Combined Schools | per student | £1.16 | £0.70 |
| Secondary Schools | per school | £1,125.50 | £675.00 |
| Special Schools | per student | £0.76 | £0.40 |

Prices for academies are exclusive of VAT.