CSEC Food, Nutrition and Health

Rationale — Mark Scheme amendments

The revised Home Economics syllabus indicates that the proficiency for this subject was changed from General Proficiency to Technical Proficiency. To support this change, Level 1 CVQs were integrated into the School-Based Assessment (SBA).

The syllabus requires a minimum of 16 practical assignments (four per term) over the two year period.

The integration of the Level 1 CVQs and the SBA necessitates that all candidates complete a portfolio. Teachers have been completing the portfolio as it relates to the integration of the Level 1 CVQs and the SBA.

The challenge presented is that the available mark schemes do not allow for the allocation of marks for the portfolio. To resolve this challenge, new mark schemes have been created to be used for the cohort of students who entered the fourth form in September 2017 and subsequent cohorts.

Assignments 1 and 3 will now be marked out of a maximum of 15 marks and Assignment 2 will be marked out of 30 marks, with 15 marks being allocated to the portfolio.