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PRESS RELEASE

RELEASE OF PROVISIONAL RESULTS FOR THE WEST AFRICAN SENIOR SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (WASSCE) FOR SCHOOL CANDIDATES, 2023

The West African Examinations Council wishes to inform its numerous stakeholders that it has released **provisional results** of candidates who sat for the WASSCE for School Candidates, 2023 (Ghana Only Version). The Council will make available login details to heads of school to enable them access the results of their candidates. The results have been hosted online and candidates who so desire may access their results at the Council's website <u>www.waecgh.org</u>.

The results of 4,878 candidates have been blocked for failing to return learning support materials supplied to them by their schools. Such candidates are to contact their schools.

The Council would like to caution all its stakeholders to be wary of fraudsters who promise to upgrade results for a fee. Candidates are to note that WAEC results are secured and can be authenticated using its results verification system. The WAEC QR code can be downloaded and used to verify results.

PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

A total number of 448,674 candidates made up of 212,453 males and 236,221 females from 975 schools entered for the examination. This figure is 5.8% higher than the 2022 entry figure of 422,883. A total number of 3,404 (0.75%) were absent from the examination.

The performance of candidates with respect to the four Core Subjects is shown in the tables below.

TABLE 1: PERFORMANCE OF CANDIDATES IN THE CORE SUBJECTS – WASSCE (SC) 2023

SUBJECT	NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CANDIDATES OBTAINING				
	GRADES	GRADE	GRADE	GRADE	
	A1 – C6	D7	E8	F9	
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	325,280	32,408	21,153	23,509	
	(73.11%)	(7.28%)	(4.75%)	(5.28%)	
MATHEMATICS (CORE)	276,272	36,373	33,262	39,517	
	(<i>62.23%</i>)	(8.19%)	(7.49%)	(8.90%)	
INTEGRATED SCIENCE	296,466	38,938	26,566	25,029	
	(66.82%)	(<i>8.78</i>)	(5.99%)	(5.64%)	
SOCIAL STUDIES	340,867	29,470	19,616	26,186	
	(<i>76.76</i>)	(6.64%)	(4.42%)	(5.90%)	

TABLE 2: FOUR-YEAR PERFORMANCE STATISTICS IN THE CORE SUBJECTS FOR WASSCE (SC) 2020 - 2023

SUBJECT	GRADES A1 – C6				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	57.34%	54.08%	60.39%	73.11%	
MATHEMATICS (CORE)	65.71%	54.11%	61.39%	62.23%	
INTEGRATED SCIENCE	52.53%	65.70%	62.45%	66.82%	
SOCIAL STUDIES	64.31%	66.03%	71.51%	76.76%	

Table 2 shows fluctuating trends in performance for candidates in English Language, Mathematics and Integrated Science while Social Studies shows an upward trend in performance of the candidates over the four-year period. 3

EXAMINATION IRREGULARITIES

Following completion of investigations into some of the cases of irregularity reported during the conduct of the examination, the 35th Meeting of the Ghana Examinations Committee, held on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 approved as follows:

- (1) Cancellation of **Subject Results** of **3,647** candidates for bringing foreign material like prepared notes, text books, and printed material into the examination halls;
- (2) Cancellation of **Entire Results** of **839** candidates for possession of mobile phones in the examination halls;
- (3) Withholding of Subject Results of 4,280 candidates and the Entire Results of 1,005 for various suspected offences;

Yet still, some subject results of candidates from 235 schools have been withheld for collusion and the use of artificial intelligence generated answers. These cases are still under investigation. The withheld results of these candidates may be released or cancelled depending on the outcome of investigations.

CONCLUSION

The Council expresses its sincerest gratitude to stakeholders especially the Ministry of Education, Ghana Education Service, the Security Agencies, Heads of School, Supervisors, Invigilators, Examiners and all who in various ways supported it in the successful conduct of the examination and release of results.

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