



Ministry of Education, Science and Technology

National Primary School Examination (NPSE) 2016

Fellow Sierra Leoneans, I am pleased to announce that the results for the National Primary School Examination (NPSE) taken on the 28th May 2016 were released to the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MEST) on Wednesday 10 August 2016. The results are to be forwarded to all schools nation-wide immediately. Meanwhile, we have carried out an analysis of the results received and report as follows:

Entries

The candidate entry for the exam was 115,706 from 3,434 primary schools nationwide. The examination was conducted in 219 centres across the country. The entry figure comprised of 57,632 (49.8% boys) and 58,074 (50.2% girls). The total number that sat the examination was 115,670. There were 36 absentees of whom 21 were boys and 15 girls.

However, the results that are about to be presented exclude 8 schools that are withheld by WAEC for failure from those schools to submit continuous assessment scores for their candidates who are 150 in total.

Worthy to be noted is that the entries for 2016 were 10,984 (5,380 boys, 5,604 girls) greater than for the 2015 NPSE. This increase is approximately 10.5% (10.3% boys and 10.7% girls)

The candidates' results presented by region and gender are as follows:

Region	Total	Sex	
		Male	Female
East	22,918	11,254	11,664
North	37,369	19,864	17,505
South	19,794	9,882	9,912
West	35,266	16,464	18,802
National	115,556	57,556	58,000

Performance

General candidate performance

The highest T-score obtained in the exam was 358; this is slightly below the corresponding score of 362 obtained in 2015.

From the 115,556 whose results were presented to the Ministry, 86,985 comprising 43,914 boys and 43,071 girls passed in line with the cut-off grade of 230 as recommended by the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology. This corresponds to an overall pass rate of 75%, a boys' pass rate of 76% and a girls' pass rate of 74%. The overall pass rate is fractionally below that for 2015 i.e. 75.3% in 2016 as against 76% in 2015.

Regional candidate performance

Region	Total		Pass Rate All	Rank
	Sat	(Passed)		
East	22,918	(19,360)	84%	1 st
North	37,344	(25,749)	69%	4 th
South	19,790	(15,883)	80%	2 nd
West	35,259	(25,809)	73%	3 rd
National	115,520	(86,985)	75%	

The top 10 candidates nationally

Primary School Name	Candidate Name	Sex	Aggregate	Rank
Becklyn Prep. Prim. Sch, C/Cross	Bah Binta	F	358	1 st
Martile Intl. Sch., Hill Station	Wurie Ibrahim Alpha S.	M	358	1 st
Josuel Pri. Sch. Regent Rd. Lumley	Zombo Mæmah	F	356	3 rd
S.O.S. Herman Gmeiner, Lumley	Schenks Helen Shalom Wokie	F	355	4 th
Dele Nursery & Prep. Sch.W/Ton	Femi-Pratt Avril S.	F	354	5 th
S.O.S. Herman Gmeiner, Lumley	Turay Adama	F	354	5 th
JT Reffell Mem. Prim. Sch. Tower Hill	Sesay Hassan	M	354	5 th
Murray-Deen Preparatory School	Manyeh Nova Kaiwandy	M	353	8 th
S.O.S. Herman Gmeiner, Lumley	Conteh Abdul Kassim	M	353	8 th
JT Reffell Mem. Prim. Sch. Tower Hill	Tijan-Bangura Jonathan	M	353	8 th

The top 3 candidates regionally

Eastern Region

Primary School Name	Candidate Name	Sex	Aggregate	Rank
Unique International Academy Old Yengema Rd. Kono	Nabay Sallu	M	348	1 st
Free The Children Prim., Koidu	James Moses K.	M	336	2 nd
Henritta Prim. Sch, Kenema	Jalloh Fatmata Chorkoh	F	334	3 rd

Northern Region

Primary School Name	Candidate Name	Sex	Aggregate	Rank
UPM Prim. Sch., Massingbi	Kargbo Abu Bakar	M	346	1 st
UPM Prim. Sch., Massingbi	Bangura Simeon A	M	342	2 nd
UPM Prim. Sch., Massingbi	Bangura Daniel E	M	333	3 rd

Southern Region

Primary School Name	Candidate Name	Sex	Aggregate	Rank
Tony Blair Int. Academy, Bo	Saidu Aisha Hopanda	F	343	1 st
Florence Primary School, Bo	Rogers Agnes Hawa	F	335	2 nd
Life Of Hope Int. Pri., Hofuss	Kessambo Adama	F	334	3 rd

Western Area

Primary School Name	Candidate Name	Sex	Aggregate	Rank
Becklyn Prep. Prim. Sch, C/Cross	Bah Binta	F	358	1 st
Martile Intl. Sch., Hill Station	Wurie Ibrahim Alpha S.	M	358	1 st
Josuel Pri. Sch. Regent Rd. Lumley	Zombo Mæmah	F	356	3 rd

Performance by Schools - On the basis of the average aggregate of the candidates that sat the exam:

Top 5 schools nationally

Primary School Name	Ave. Aggregate	Sat	Passed	Pass Rate
Yamakai Action Prep.Fatta R.St	323.8	25	25	100%
UCC Pri. Sch. Tower Hill	317.3	28	28	100%
Comforti Prim.Sch.Calaba Town	316.9	48	48	100%
Providence Int. Elem. Sch., Adesanyah St., B/Fields	316.8	22	22	100%
Unique Int. Academy Old Yengema Rd. Kono	316.1	18	18	100%

The top 3 schools from each region:

Eastern Region

Primary School Name	Ave. Aggregate	Sat	Passed	Pass Rate
Unique Int. Academy Old Yengema Rd. Kono	316.1	18	18	100%
Free The Children Pri. Sch., Koidu	310.1	60	60	100%
U.M.C. School, Jaiama Nimikoro	307.4	45	44	98%

Northern Region

Primary School Name	Ave. Aggregate	Sat	Passed	Pass Rate
Modern Prep. Sch., Makeni	311.4	37	37	100%
Upm Pri. Sch., Massingbi	307.0	69	69	100%
M.C.A. Pri.Sch., Kurubonla	306.3	19	19	100%

Southern Region

Primary School Name	Ave. Aggregate	Sat	Passed	Pass Rate
Quranic Educ. Prim. Sch. For Girls, Bo	308.1	59	59	100%
R.C. Prim. Sch. Zimmi	307.5	33	33	100%
Oaks Comm. Prim. Sch. Mendewa Lay Out	303.3	43	43	100%
Tony Blair International Academy, Bo	303.3	24	24	100%

Western Area

Primary School Name	Ave. Aggregate	Sat	Passed	Pass Rate
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UCC Prim. Sch. Tower Hill	317.3	28	28	100%
Comforti Prim. Sch., Calaba Town	316.9	48	48	100%

Schools with all candidates passing by region were as follows:

Region	Number of Schools
East	175
North	261
South	175
West	141
National	752 (22%)

Appreciation

In concluding, let me thank the many schools, teachers, students and parents whose hard work is reflected in the excellent performance of many in the 2016 NPSE. Let me also thank and acknowledge the efforts of Freetown Office of WAEC and its examiners who have worked extremely hard to get these results released in the shortest period of time for many years. It is our hope at the Ministry that the early release of results for the NPSE will be replicated for the BECE and the WASSCE not only this year but for all other years to come.

I thank you all for listening and may God bless us all.

Presented by the
Chief Education Officer, Dr. Alhaji Mohamed Kamara,
Monday 15th August 2016