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**RELEASE OF RESULTS OF THE WEST AFRICAN SENIOR SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (WASSCE) FOR SCHOOL CANDIDATES, 2024**

The Ministry of Basic and Secondary Education is pleased to announce the release of results of the West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE) for School Candidates, 2024. A total of 18,042 candidates from 148 Senior Secondary Schools registered for the examination. This represents an increase in candidature of 4.88% over the last year’s entry figure of 17,201 candidates. Out of the 18,042 candidates who registered for the examination this year, 6,943 (38.4%) were male, while 11,099 (61.52%) were female.

In the WASSCE for School Candidates, 2024 The Gambian candidates registered in 38 subjects which included English Language, Mathematics, Civic Education and a host of Science, Arts, Commerce, Technical and Vocational Subjects.

One thousand three hundred and eighty-nine (1,389) candidates (7.70%) obtained credit passes in five subjects and above including English Language and Mathematics. On a gender basis, 598 (3.31%) male candidates had five credit passes and above in which English Language and Mathematics are included, while 791 (4.38%) female candidates had five credits and above in which English Language and Mathematics are included. 3,317 candidates (19.6%) obtained credit in a minimum of five subjects, marking a 2.7 percentage points improvement from 2023. Furthermore, an unprecedented 23.8% of candidates credited Mathematics, the highest achievement in the subject over the last decade.

A summary of the performance in the WASSCE for School Candidates, 2024 in terms of the number of credit passes obtained and the percentage of candidates who obtained such number of credit passes is given below.

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| **CREDIT PASSES IN** | **NUMBER OF CANDIDATES** | **% OF CANDIDATES** |
| 9 Subjects | 395 | 2.30 |
| 8 Subjects | 509 | 2.90 |
| 7 Subjects | 615 | 3.58 |
| 6 Subjects | 792 | 4.61 |
| 5 Subjects | 1,008 | 5.87 |
| 4 Subjects | 1,251 | 7.29 |
| 3 Subjects | 1,640 | 9.55 |
| 2 Subjects | 1,920 | 11.18 |
| 1 Subjects | 3,349 | 19.50 |

The summary of the performance of candidates indicated above is based on a complete record of 17,172 (95.17) out of 18,042 candidates. About 870 incomplete records are being processed which, if completed, may change the statistics of the performance.

The Council wishes to inform the general public that results of twenty-eight candidates suspected to have been involved in examination malpractice from thirteen (13) Senior Secondary Schools were withheld until the appropriate committee of the Council meets and decides on the cases.

On behalf of the Honourable Minister and Management, we wish to register the Ministry’s profound appreciation for the immense support rendered by The Gambia Government, and the West African Examinations Council.

In a similar vein, the Council also recognizes and appreciates the fruitful efforts of other stakeholders, including its esteemed Examiners, Principals of Senior Secondary Schools as well as the Conference of Principals of Senior Secondary Schools (GAMCOP) who immensely contributed to the successful conduct of the examination, processing and release of results.

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