



## PRESS STATEMENT

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### RELEASE OF THE 2022 GRADE SEVEN EXAMINATION RESULTS

The Zimbabwe School Examinations Council Board and Management would like to advise the nation of the release of the 2022 ZIMSEC Grade Seven Examination results.

Heads of Schools will be able to collect the results from their respective ZIMSEC Regional Offices from Thursday, the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2022. The Online Results Portal will be open for the viewing of results today, the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2022. The link is via the ZIMSEC website, [www.zimsec.co.zw](http://www.zimsec.co.zw). The 2022 examination writing session was restored back to the traditional times of October after the lifting of the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions which disrupted the school calendar for the past two years.

A total of 343 169 candidates sat for the 2022 Grade 7 examinations as compared to 325 573 candidates who sat for the same examinations in 2021 showing a 5,4% increase in candidature. This is equivalent to an additional 17 596 candidates.

The 2022 Grade 7 Examination session recorded a national pass rate of 40, 09%. This is a slight decrease of 1.04% in candidates' performance from last year's pass rate of 41,13%.

Out of the 343 169 candidates who sat for the 2022 Grade 7 examinations, 177 466 were females while 165 703 were males. The pass rate for female candidates is 43.66% while that of male candidates stands at 36, 22%. The results show that female candidates out-performed their male counterparts.

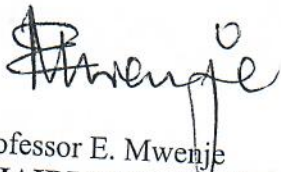
Indigenous languages recorded higher pass rates when compared to all other subjects. This was also the case in 2019, 2020, and 2021 examinations.

A total of 323 candidates with special needs sat for a range of subjects from 5 to 6. Of these 208 wrote 6 subjects while 91 candidates with hard-of-hearing sat for 5 subjects. The pass rate for special needs candidates in 2022 was 30.43% as compared to 54.88% recorded in 2021.

We would like to extend our gratitude to all those who were involved in the 2022 Grade Seven Examination processes. ZIMSEC received the much-needed support from all stakeholders of this examination, of particular mention, the teachers, markers, ZIMSEC staff, the state security sector, the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development and the parent Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education. The efforts and sacrifices of all involved have all contributed to the successful progression of the Zimbabwean education system for the betterment of our future generations.

Allow me to take this opportunity to wish all the candidates the best in their future studies and endeavours.

I thank you.



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