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“Every Child Can Learn... Every Child Must Learn”

Schools' Bulletin

ATTENTION: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMEN, PRINCIPALS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

SUBJECT: PLACEMENT SCORES AND REPORT FORMAT FOR PEP 6 2020

Dear Colleagues,

The Ministry of Education, Youth and Information remains committed to its thrust to provide quality education undergirded by the principles of equal opportunity, equity and inclusion. In doing so, the Ministry is guided by educational principles and policies that are grounded in research with proven success.

As a result of the disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Ministry took the decision to cancel the Primary Exit Profile Grade 6 Performance Tasks and the Curriculum Based Test and instead has used a modified psychometrically approved assessment profile to place the Grade 6 students in high schools. This approach is supported by educational research and aligns with international standards. In so doing, the Ministry has combined the following students' scores to aid in the placement of students in high school:

The computation of the Placement Score for 2020 comprises of seven (7) tests:

1. Grade 4 Literacy
2. Grade 4 Numeracy
3. Grade 5 PEP Performance Task – Mathematics
4. Grade 5 PEP Performance Task – Science
5. Grade 5 PEP Performance Task – Social Studies
6. Grade 5 PEP Performance Task – Language Arts
7. Grade 6 Ability Test

Similar to the Grade Six Achievement Test, the Primary Exit Profile uses the Total Placement Score for ranking and placing students based on a weighted formula of standardized test scores. After using several statistical models to test multiple scenarios, the most equitable weighting that determined the placement of students in 2020, provides for an equivalent ratio contribution by grade level as follows:

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- Grade 4 – 30%
- Grade 5 – 20%
- Grade 6 – 50%

Reporting and Release of Results

The reporting and release mechanism for the 2020 results, will include three access points:

1. Parent Report – The report will comprise of students' scores at Grade 4 (Literacy and Numeracy), Grade 5 Performance Tasks (Mathematics, science, Social Studies and Language Arts) and the Grade 6 Ability Test. This report will be available on the Parent Portal at www.parent.dpisonline.com on **Friday, June 26, 2020 at 4 pm.**
2. Sending School Reports – This will be available on **Friday, June 26, 2020** via the DPIS website at www.dpisonline.com.
3. Receiving School Reports – This will be available on **Monday, July 6, 2020** via the DPIS website at www.dpisonline.com.

Please see the appended sample reports for your attention.

At the Ministry of Education, Youth and Information, we understand the anticipation for the results and so we stand ready to address all concerns and queries from parents and school personnel regarding the results. This may be done by calling your Regional Office or the Central Office using the following numbers:

PEP 2020 HOTLINE LISTING			
REGIONS	REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE	ADDRESSES	Hotline Numbers
Region One Kingston and St. Andrew	Mrs. Allison Cooke-Hawthorne	2 National Heroes Circle, Kingston 4, Bldg 2	876 455-3003 876 612-5928 876 612-5932
Region Two St. Mary, St. Thomas & Portland	Miss Janet Brimm	Passley Gardens Port Antonio, Portland	876 564-7168 876 993-5586
Region Three St. Ann & Trelawny	Mrs. Linda Campbell Miller	Huntley Avenue, Brown's Town P.O. St. Ann	876 560-9608 876 917-7849
Region Four St. James, Hanover & Westmoreland	Dr. Michele Pinnock	Alice Eldemire Drive, Montego Bay	876 405-8195 876 979-8590
Region Five St. Elizabeth & Manchester	Dr. Nadine Leachman	South Race Course Road, Mandeville, Manchester	876 425-5505 876 625-7859

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Region Six St. Catherine	Mrs. Sophia Forbes-Hall	6 Poinciana Drive, Marlie Gardens, Old Harbour, St. Catherine	876 883-4698 876 983-1654-8, 876 745-3695-7, 876 745-4203
Region Seven Clarendon	Mr. Barrington Richardson	6 Poinciana Drive, Marlie Gardens, Old Harbour, St. Catherine	876 436-8449 876 983-1654-8, 876 745-3695-7, 876 745-4203
PEP 2020 HOTLINE NUMBERS AT CENTRAL MINISTRY			
Chief Education Officer	2-4 National Heroes Circle, Building 1, 3 rd Floor, Kingston 4		876 612-5792-5
Deputy Chief Education Officer	2-4 National Heroes Circle, Building 1, 3 rd Floor, Kingston 4		876 612-5908 / 876 612-5909/ 876 612 -6092

For additional information or queries, please send an e-mail to pepaction@moe.gov.jm.

For assistance with technical support, school administrators may contact DPK Ltd. Monday through Friday between the hours of 9am to 4pm as follows:

- Telephone – 876-906-2023 or 876 906 2025
- E-mail – support@dpk.com.jm
- Website – www.dpk.com.jm/dpk-support.php

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