## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION \& YOUTH

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## ATTENTION: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMEN AND PRINCIPALS OF ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

SUBJECT: KANGAROO MATH CHALLENGE

## Dear Colleagues,

The Kangaroo Math Challenge is an international mathematics competition that takes place in over 90 countries worldwide. It allows students to develop their love and skills in Mathematics in a fun and interactive environment. On the third (3rd) Thursday of March each year, Kangaroo Math Day is celebrated worldwide, with the challenge of promoting "Math for Everyone."

In Jamaica, the Kangaroo Math Challenge is FREE for all students in Grades 1-13. Competing in this challenge requires no special knowledge of mathematics. Each student will have $\mathbf{7 5}$ minutes to complete 24-30 questions. The challenge is online-based and requires the use of a tablet or laptop.

Students with the highest scores will be invited to participate in the finals of the competition, which will be followed by an awards ceremony to acknowledge the top scores islandwide. The finals will take place in person at Halls of Learning (Unit 2, 84A Barbican Road). The date will be announced after the first round of the competition.

## Students will compete based on their age groups:

PreEcoliers- Grades 1-2
Ecoliers- Grades 3-4
Benjamins- Grades 5-6
Cadets- Grades 7-8
Juniors- Grades 9-10
Studets- Grades 11-13

## Registration Information

The competition will run from March 21-29, 2024. There is no limit to the number of students that can participate from each school.

Teachers who want their students to participate should use their MOE email address to sign up as a coordinator using this link https://challenges.hallsoflearning.com/admin/. Teachers can access the coordinator's handbook located in your admin portal.

## Sample Questions

Practice Questions are available on the link at
https://challenges.hallsoflearning.com/index.php?action=user_competitions.

Below are some sample questions.
Which cloud contains only numbers less than 7 ?


Three 4-digit numbers are written on three pieces of paper, as shown.


The sum of the three numbers is 11126 .
Three of the digits are covered.
Question:
What are the covered digits?


## Edward has 4 blocks.

Which of the cubes below can he make with his 4 blocks?


The Kangaroo Math Challenge is a part of the Code Jamaica series of activities, which has the Oxford University Commuting Challenge (OUCC) coming up in April.

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